

## THE BREADFRUIT TREE.

Something About This Strange and Useful Asiatic Plant.

The breadfruit tree is a native of southern Asia, the south Pacific islands and the Indian archipelago. In appearance it resembles somewhat the wild chestnut. It grows to the height of 40 or 50 feet and has dark green leaves, many of them two feet in length, which are deeply divided into pointed lobes.

Hidden among the great leaves the breadfruit grows. It is a sorosis, is nearly spherical, often weighs four or more pounds and has a thick, yellow rind. This fruit is the chief food of the south sea islanders. They seldom eat a meal without it. The eatable part lies between the rind and the core and when fully ripe is yellow and juicy. It is better for food before it has matured, and the natives gather it while the pulp is white.

Before it is ready for table use it must be roasted, when it looks like wheat bread, and is both palatable and nutritious. Usually the fruit is cut into three or four slices and roasted or baked in an oven.

Frequently the people of a village join in making a huge oven, in which several hundred breadfruits may be baked at one time. Thus they are all supplied with bread without its costing any of them much labor. Prepared in this way, the bread will keep for weeks.

The breadfruit is in season eight months of the year. When the season finally draws to a close, the last fruits are gathered and made into a sour paste called "mahai." This paste will keep good for months and is made into balls, wrapped in leaves and baked, just as needed.

Bread is not the only product of the breadfruit tree. From it cement, cloth, tinder and lumber are also obtained. A glutinous, milky juice oozes from the trunk of the tree, which makes an excellent cement when boiled with coconut oil. From the fibrous inner bark a kind of coarse cloth is made, and the big leaves make good towels. The lumber is used for building houses and many other purposes. Besides all this the dried blossoms are used as tinder when fires are kindled.—Philadelphia Times.

## A SLAVE TO DUTY.

An Elephant That Would Not Neglect a Baby It Was Caring For.

Marie A. Millie, in St. Nicholas, tells a number of "Stories of Elephants." Mrs. Millie says:

Some time before the elephant hunt I have described my husband was at a station in Bengal. His work kept him out nearly all day, and, being ill, I used to lie for hours in a long garden chair on the veranda, too weak to read or enjoy any more exciting amusement than my eyes supplied to me.

We had three elephants for our tents and baggage, and one dear creature used to feed from my hands every day and seemed as gentle as any pet dog or cat.

One of our government chaprasis was particularly devoted to her and invariably shared his meal of fruit or flour cakes with his dumb friend. On a particularly hot day the chaprasi, to my surprise, placed his tiny child of 6 months at the elephant's feet, warning her expressively that the infant was in her charge and was to be cared for till his return. I myself was an eyewitness of her wonderful sagacity. Large banana trees and fig trees grew around, and, to my surprise, the elephant broke off one of the former's spreading leaves, held it like a fan in her trunk and from time to time gracefully waved it over the slumbering child, whether to temper the heat of the atmosphere or to keep off flies, I am unable to say. The gentle way in which she moved her feet over the child and across to each side astounded me. I sent for a white loaf and some oranges, and, calling her by name (she was never chained), tried in vain to tempt her to my side on the low veranda. Nothing would induce her to leave her charge. The warm air and monotonous wave of the swinging fan overpowered me with drowsiness, to which I yielded, and, after a sleep of some duration, I was awakened by quiet, subdued snorts beside me. To my surprise I found that the chaprasi had just returned to his offspring, and the elephant stood near the veranda beside me, patiently waiting and gently asking for the tempting dainties so bravely withstood for over two hours.

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## A Thing to Boast Of.

Schoolfellows learn each others' failings if nothing else and recall after years of separation the characteristic thing about an old seatmate.

Two men who had been at school together when they were boys met and talked of old times.

"By the way," said one, "I saw Smith when I was out at Seattle."

"Did you? And what was he bragging about when you saw him?"

"He was bragging about his modesty just at that moment."

"Dear old Smith—just like him."—Youth's Companion.

## A Strong Hint.

The late Professor Jowett had a curious way of commenting on the work that was brought to him by students. On one occasion he was shown a set of Greek verses. After looking them over carefully he glanced up rather blankly and said to the author, "Have you any taste for mathematics?"

If the armies of Europe should march at an eight mile gait, five abreast, 15 inches apart, it would require 9½ days for them to pass a given point.

In Brussels the height of house frontage in public streets is determined by the width of the street. The maximum height is 60 feet.

## Made Him Propose.

The diffident young man wanted to propose to his girl, but for the life of him he did not know how to go about it. He read books on the subject and sought information from men who had experience, and while the theories were admirable in every instance he found that the practice thereof was a different thing. He was walking with her one evening, thinking over these things, when her shoe became untied.

She stuck out her pretty little foot, with a smile, and looked down at it. He fell on his knees to tie the lace. Then he walked on with her. The shoe became untied again. The third time it happened he was ready as before.

"See if you can't tie a knot that won't come undone," she said, as he worked away at it.

He looked up at her tenderly.

"If I can't, I know a man who can," he said.

"Do you want him to tie it?" she asked coquettishly.

"Yes," he replied.

She jerked her foot away. He smiled to himself.

"It's the parson," he said. And he rose to his feet and finished the proposal.—Strand Magazine.

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## DISMISSING A WEAKLING.

The Poor Fool Could Not See That He Had Her Won.

Reginald Hanscomb stopped in the hall and nervously fumbled at the rim of his hat, meanwhile gazing into Peacant's Pindexter's eyes with a fondness that the beautiful girl could not mistake.

He opened his lips as if about to speak, but the words that he sought to utter would not come, and the fair maiden gave a low, sweet sigh that was calculated to fill his heart with blowholes.

Yet he stood there, and she stood in front of him, looking and longing and wondering why he hesitated.

Once she was almost tempted to take him back into the parlor and tell him that it was all right; that she knew how he felt about it, and that she would just take it for granted without the usual formality. But her maiden modesty rose in rebellion, and she said to herself:

"No. If he is too timid, too cowardly, to say the words, it will perhaps be better for us both if we take diverging ways."

Then, speaking aloud, she said: "Well, good night, Mr. Hanscomb, if you must be going."

"Well, good night," he said. "I guess I must be going."

"Well, good night," she said again, holding the door open for him.

"Well, good night," he said, passing out through the vestibule.

She shut the door with a bang and sat down upon the stairway and buried her face in her hands and sobbed.

But half a minute later she heard him returning. Her heart gave a glad leap, and she rushed to the door to admit him.

He stood looking down into her sweet, expectant face for a moment after the door had swung back, and then, clearing his throat, he said:

"Some pesky kid punctured my tire while I was inside. I wonder if I could borrow your mending outfit for about two minutes?"

"No," she replied. "My repairing outfit is up in the attic, and I can't find it tonight. Walk home. It'll do you good."

Then she slammed the door in his face, and he tried to think—poor fool—as he wended his way homeward, what he had done to offend her.—Cleveland Leader.

## Powdered Crab as a Medicine.

A Russian journal that has recently come under our notice calls attention to the fact that for some 20 years past the inhabitants of a malarial locality in the government of Kharkov have used powdered crabs with great success in the case of fevers. The powder is prepared in the following way: Live crabs are poured over with the ordinary whisky until they get asleep. They are then put on a bread pan in a hot oven, thoroughly dried and pulverized and the powder passed through a fine sieve. One dose, a teaspoonful, is generally sufficient to cure the intermittent fever. In very obstinate cases a second dose is required. Each dose is invariably preceded by a glass of aloë brandy as a purgative. The powder is used in that locality in preference to quinine. So says the journal. We will not vouch for it.—New York Ledger.

## Early Associations.

"Did you ever notice the queer, rotary gesture Mr. Chillkoot always makes when his wife rings for the butler?"

"Yes. You see, he used to be a motorman before he went to the Klondike."—Chicago Journal.

## A Sign of Cultivation.

"Somebody must be cultivating the widow."

"Yes?"

"Anyway, her weeds have disappeared."—London Answers.

The Montreal committee of the Victorian Order of Nurses reports \$17,464 collected. But the subscriptions do not appear to be general, as \$15,000 of the amount was given by six persons, and \$18,000 by one man.

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