

Ostrich Raising.

Ostrich raising is to be fairly tried in the Southern and Pacific States. Ostriches are not said to be pretty birds. Their feathers are elegant enough, it is generally believed, but they do not become the original wearer as well as they do the borrower. An ostrich yields from \$50 to \$100 worth of feathers yearly and will live on grain, rotten wood, lark, mock turtle soup, old boots, carpet tacks, confectionery, patent medicines, etc. It will be seen that they will serve the noble purpose of providing feathers for American beauties and a slaughter market for Yankee productions.

The ostrich has a habit of kicking. One would suppose that a horse or a mule would beat any bird at this recreation, as this performance calls into service only 25 instead of 50 per cent. of their feet. But it is not so. The ostrich stands securely, using one foot as a swivel around which he kicks toward every point of the compass. This bird is said, in old natural history books, to lay an egg as large as thirty eggs of a hen. Should the use of the ostrich become general large slices of toast will be called for.

High Heels.

The heel is made too small and too high, and is displaced forward. Its narrowness makes women unsteady in their gait, like the Chinese. Their equilibrium is unstable. Its height is still worse. It puts the sole on an inclined plane, as if the wearer were constantly going down a mountain, and how fatiguing that is let any one say after a trial. It predisposes to falls. The foot sliding forward on to the toes doubles them up, producing painful corns on their upper surface. It throws the weight on the forefoot instead of the heel. This twists the axis of the foot forward, and often produces painful contractures of the calf muscles, the anterior tibialis and even the muscles of the thigh, due to extra work required by the abnormal posture to maintain the body in equilibrium, and prevent it from falling forward. Especially is the peroneus longus muscle put on the strain by these two defects. Let anyone stand bare-legged on one foot, and watch the tendons of these muscles in a looking-glass as his equilibrium is disturbed. Every slight want of balance causes one or another to spring into strong relief, showing their vigorous construction. Imagine this going on all day in both feet, and one can readily believe that walking and especially running (well nigh a lost art among corset-banded and Chinese-shod women) will be rarely indulged in except when necessity admits of no excuse.—Medical News.

The Russian ambassador showed his hand at conference, and the great northern power is now waiting to take advantage of the present confusion. She has a large force massed at the Caucasus, which could fall at any hour upon Turkey. These troops are more numerous than those she had there at the time of Schamyl and the Crimean war. And yet there is now peace. Since she got Kars and Batoum there is no danger of a rising. Persia is weak and cannot interfere. And yet she has there 36,000 infantry, 22,000 cavalry, 15,300 artillery, and 4,400 engineers, making in all 77,700 troops. An attempt is being made to turn the death of Skobeleff to advantage in promoting an anti-Turkish crusade, and much is said of his shedding "holy tears like a child," when he had to turn away from Constantinople.

There are now in operation in Europe about one hundred miles of electrical railways, and numerous others are projected. Those in operation include one at Liechtenfeld, and that from the Spandauer Rack to Charlottenburg, near Berlin; another from Port Rushto to Rosh Mills, in the North of Ireland, and in Holland, from Zandvoort to Koosvlioren. Among lines in construction are:—In Austria the Moedling line, near Vienna; in Germany, from Wiesbaden to Numburg, and from the royal mines in Saxony to Zankerode; in England, under the Thames, connecting Charing Cross and Waterloo stations; also in South Wales, for which the force will be derived from the fall of water. In Italy, Turin and Milan will soon begin the construction of electrical roads.

A Russian prince died at St. Petersburg lately who contradicted all the popular notions of Russian princes. This was Orloff Davidoff, the son and nephew of the five famous brothers Orloff of the days of Catherine. This Davidoff was the friend of Sir Walter Scott and Gettler, a pamphleteer and an essayist himself of no mean pretension, but above all a humanitarian. Being one of the largest land owners in Russia, he devoted himself to the elevation of his former serfs, founded industrial and other schools for them, with system and appliances far in advance of those in England.

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