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 \*\*\*\*\* EVERY HUTMAN'S GUIDE TO \*\*\*\*\*  
 WHITE MOUNTAIN SLANG AND VERNACULAR \*\*\*\*\*  
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Ad'min (ad'min), n. Alan C. Rockwell Administration Building...you, know, the one between Trail Crew and the TP.

AJ (ā'jā), n. apple juice. (See "Foyt".)

Au'gust'fest (o'gēst'fēst), n. annual festival of saucy saturnalia general good times, featuring music, gourmet cuisine, and strong waters; held at Madison Hut on the first Friday of August.



Augustfest

bar'rel (bar'el), n. corpulence of the abdomen.

Beam-me-up-Scot'tie (bēm'mē'up'skot'ē), expresn. "Pour me another, eh?" (<Vulcan Beam ma oop Let's get shitfaced).

BFD, n. 1. blanket folding demonstration.  
2. big fuckin' deal.

**LICENSE-PLATE B.S.**

In response to the letter on personalized license-plate "in"-manship and one-upmanship in the July *Playboy* Forum, I have only the following to offer: BFD—Big Fucking Deal!

Richard Hayhoe  
San Francisco, California

Big-One, The- (thē'big'wun), n. Mt. Washington.

blan'ket'pack (blang'kit'pak), v. to carry blankets to or from a hut on a packboard (what else could it mean?!).

blan'ket'pack'er (blang'kit'pak'er), n. one who blanketpacks; a slave.

blitz (blits), n., v. -n. the act of blitzing. -v. to clean a hut intensely, with all the force and swiftness of lightning, and the care and attention that goes into making Hostess Cupcakes™.

board (bōrd), n. packboard.

bog roll (bog rōl), n. toilet paper.

bomb (bom), n., v. -n. propane gas cylinder. -v. to fail, one way or another. <Christ did Alan's steak breakfast ~. The guests hated it. They're all such strict vegetarians they wouldn't even touch the animal crackers.>

bum wad (bum wod), n. 1. toilet paper (see "bog roll"). 2. term of derision.

burn (bērn), n. trash incineration.



Beam

ca'ker (kāk'ər), n. pancake.

CATA (Carter Hut), n. easternmost hut in the system, noted for its close proximity to splendid spelunking and primo bouldering. Robert Service slept here.

CC, C.C., Construction Crew; not to be confused with Canadian Club, Chuck Colson, chocolate chip, Commander Cody, Cha-Cha (Hartwell), cubic centimeters, Captain Crunch, Craig Clairborne, or Corpis Christie, Texas.

CD, crew dump; a crew meeting of sorts- winner is selected by the process of elimination.

cook day (kūk dā), n. that day of the week when a crew member is free to take naps, hobnob with the guests, drink large quantities of beer, and occasionally stir the soup.

cheat-sheet (chēt'-shēt), n. a table of prices for hut services, for those who have lost the ability to multiply.

Chez Belle, Madison Hut; where else?

cog (kog), n. The Cog Railway, scenic tourist railway running between the base station in Jefferson Notch and the summit of Mt. Washington; the mellow way to "bag the Big One". (see "tracks".)

count (kount), n. the total number of reservations for a hut on a given night. 2. (*<boxing count of ten>*) (*<Last time I saw Ranger Ted he was out for the ~. He tried to pack out three bombs at once...>*)

crap'per (krap'ər), n. as Churchill once said, "If a man's home is his castle, then the crapper is his throne."

crap'per bag (krap'ər bag), n. plastic liner for crapper barrel.

crap'per bar'rel (krap'ər bar'əl), n. 55 gallon metal drum used to collect and transport human waste. Also used for mixing large quantities of party punch (see "Guyana".)

crap'per snap'per (krap'ər snap'ər), n. medieval-looking device resembling a stretcher, used to lift and spill crapper barrels.

croo (krū), n. pl. a small vestigial tribe of early hominid aborigines, once believed extinct, now inhabiting the White Mountains of New Hampshire. They subsist on a diet of coarse grains, nuts, and berries compressed into wafers known as "Tukbar", and a fermented grain beverage known as "hooter". For years the croos have stymied anthropologists with the combination of their fairly high level of cultural development and their fairly low morals.

croo switch (krū swich), n. a long slender whip, usually of hickory, employed by hutmaster to maintain crew discipline. Also used as kinky appliance (see "PDA").

day biz (dā'biz), n. in the huts, business transactions whereby goofers obtain basic survival items; e.g., Tukbar, rat, advice (solicited and unsolicited), moleskins, sympathy, etc.



croo on days

days (dāz), n.pl. (also daze) for crew, ceremonial sabbatical from hut work, usually spent in gross pursuit of animal pleasures. (See "beastiality".)

der tray (dēr' trā), n. navy tray (from Commander Marvel former hutmaster of Pinkham).

ding (ding), v. to beat mightily upon the Pinkham dong and thereby summon the goofers to feed. (See "dong", "gong", "schlong".)

dip queen (dip' kwēn), n. in dishwashing, First Lady of the Clorox Water.

dong (dong), n., v. -n. either of the two railroad ties suspended on the TP front porch. -v. to wail upon the dong.

Du'pan (dū'pan), n. a highly caustic agent for cleansing dishes and repelling bears.

- E -

el'e'phant scabs (el'e'fənt skabz), n.pl. veal cutlet, Pinkham style.

- F -

-farb (farb), suffix with surname. denoting membership on croo. (See "-crantz", "-lich", "-meister".)

FLEA, (Greenleaf Hut), n. hut perched just below Eagle Lake on the slope of Mt. Lafayette; Mr. Biff "Scooter" Crantzfarb, Hutmaster.

fly-in (flī'-in), n. packing by air.

Foyt (fōyt), n. apple juice (from A. J. Foyt twice winner of the Annual Invitational Jackson Road Gas Fired Unicycle Motocross Rally).

Fuzz Top (fuz top), n. The Man in Charge.

- G -

ga'boon (gə'būn'), n. a large 750 gallon metal drum used as a repository for wet goat, moldy u-troy, groaters, geedoo, misanthropic goofers, etc.

gak (gak), interj. exclamation of extreme surprise and/or revulsion (<Gak! Donna, why did you just throw my Limmers in the gafoon?!>)



dip queen

Ga'la (gā'la), n. start-of-the-summer blowout.

GALE (Galehead Hut), n. "The Butt Hut", Galehead is known for its notoriously pagan lifestyle; Ma Seabury at the helm, with Dr. Marcus "Fingers" Dobbs making the music that moves ya.

gee'doo (gē'dū), n. any highly viscous substance of unknown origin; characteristically found on car seats and shirt fronts.

goat (gōt), n. hut waste.

goat bag (gōt bag), n. 5 gallon plastic bag for filling with 10 gallons of stinking wet goat.

goat buck'et (gōt buk'it), n. 5 gallon pail for lining with 5 gallon bag.

goat, can- (kan gōt), n. non-combustible, non-compostable hut waste; to wit: cans, bottles, tin foil, Tukbar, etc.

goat, dry- (drī gōt), n. burnable waste.

goat run (gōt run), n. taking the goat for a walk to the gaboön.

goat stick (gōt stik), n. pole for walking the goat.

goat, wet- (wet gōt), n. the seething, fetid goulash you feed your pet maggots.

god (god), n. one who attempts the impossible and succeeds. <Gak! Alone? You mean she spent the night at Lakes all alone?! What a ~..>

gong (gōng), n. see "dong", "schlong".

goo'fer (gū'ər), n. one who should know better but doesn't.

gook (gūk), -n. a ghouly or ghostie, or long-legged beastly, or thing that goes bump in the night. -v. to introduce someone to any of the above.

gorm (gorm), v. to scrape goaters, geedoo, and assorted food crud from dirty dishes.

gorm stick (gorm stik), n. a gormers best friend.

groat'ər (grō'tər), n. any unidentified floating object in your soup, cereal, moca java, etc.; usually smaller than a raisin and larger than a mosquito head.

Gui'nea Night (gin'nē nīt), n. end-of-the-summer blowout; the hutsystem in all its Glory and Splendor. Bathing attire suggested.

- H -

Ho'bart (hō'bärt), n. stainless steel deity of the Pinkham kitchen.

ho'ney buck'et (hun'ī buk'it), n. see "crapper barrel".

hoot'ər (hūt'ər), n. a fermented grain beverage, a staple of crew diet. (Also known as "beyah").

hoot'er box (hūt'ər boks), n. refer to "reefer".

Hor'ses are run'ning (hōrs'iz ər run'ing), expresn. Black Horse on tap.

hut'log (hut'log), n. paper podium for palavering puerile pundits.

- I -

i'ni'tial (i'nish'əl), n. first fly-in of the summer.

I'ron Kiel'ba'sa, The (ī'ərn k(y)el'bās'ə), n. former Pinkham Hutmaster Karl Wendelowski.

- J -

jazz (jaz), v. to fluster, excite, and otherwise make neurotic. <Hey man, so I forgot to cook soup for 85... I knew I forgot something, but when I tried to jog my memory all it did was run in place. Don't get ~ed, huh?>

- K -

ka'o'la (kā'ō'la), n. a sparkling golden oil developed in Paramécia, a small Mediterranean sultanate, in the 11th century. Principally used for body massage. Reputed to contain many costly and mysterious ingredients. I.e., saffron, Oil of Aphrodite, jasmine, jimson, and jism. Also used in cooking and undercoating automobiles.

kit'ty (kit'i), n. a species of feline indiginous to the White Mountains, subsisting largely on dough and fresh greenbacks.

krump (krump), n., v. -n. the act of krumping. -v.l.while packing, to rest one's aching buttocks. 2. to screw up. <Dawson's ~ed so many one-pots she's famous. They got her listed five times in Forty Famous Mistakes of Cooking.>

krump rock (krump rok), n. forest stone for resting the bones.

krump spot (krump spot), n. any place worthy of krumping.

krump stick (krump stik), n. short length of wood for propping up pack board at a krump spot; good for scratching your back too.

- L -

LAKES (Lakes of the Clouds Hut), n. at 5050 ft., highest hut in the system. The chic place to go after bagging "the Big One". Lakes boasts a three-season port, the most absurd goofer questions ever recorded (e.g., "Excuse me, where's the playground for the kids?", "Excuse me, where's the hut?"), and the highest per capita gook ratio in the world.

LEP, less experienced person.

LONE (Lonesome Lake Hut), n. westernmost hut in the system, with the best damn swimmin' of any of 'em- and if you think otherwise, Jamo 'ill take yuz all on.

- M -

**MAD** (Madison Hut), n. For years, the hut most celebrated for its crew esprit de corps. A former hutmaster once confided that since Madison is located at high elevation, the crew is consequently under less pressure.

**Mad'house** (mad'hous), n. Madison Hut.

**MIZ** (Mizpah Hut), n. Long reknown as "the quiet hut", and "the library hut", Mizpah under the iron-fisted tutelage of Jack and Colleen, has done much to reverse this image. Ranger Ted greets guests at the door with tall tales of ten-foot grizzlies, with bad breath. And Phil King admonishes between dips, "In the woods, no one can hear you scream." Meanwhile, Lynn spikes the rat with minor hallucinogens.

**mouse-proof** (mous'-pruf), n. in each hut, a top security storage area, completely enclosed in steel wire mesh, designed to protect the food within from rodents. Marine detachments guarding each facility are salaried through a special Defense Dept. grant.

- N -

**NP**, no problem.

**NFP**, (<NP), no fuckin' problem.

**notch watch** (noch' woch), n. one of those rare and envied moments in a man's life when he can sit and contemplate his navel and get paid for it.

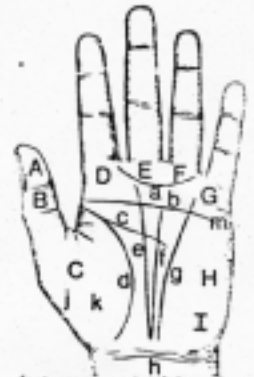
- O -

**Obs.** (Mt. Washington Observatory), those friendly folks from the summit who give us our weather, and maintain all those wondrous gadgets and consoles to impress the goofers. Little do the goofers suspect that the complex electronic hardware they see before them has nothing whatsoever to do with the weather reports they hear each day; that, in fact, daily predictions are based on the migratory habits of Monarch butterflies and the entrails of birds. Weekly forecasts are fashioned after examining the frontal lobes of wild goats.

**OH**, 1. Old Hutmen's-Cabin. 2. outa here.

**one-pot** (wun-pot), n. a complete meal cooked in a single saucepan. (Ed. nt: term was first coined by Col. Eustus "Dunlap" Beauregard, a cook with the Confederate States Army. Dunlap (his professional name) later amended his earlier definition of *one-pot* to denote the ample gut one acquires from eating one one-pot too many (see "barrel"). When this condition becomes chronic it is known as "Dunlap's Disease". This most insidious affliction claimed Col. D himself. Said the Col. on his deathbed: "I reckon I done et one mo' co' pone dan de Good Lawd figured 'uz fit. Mah belly done lapped over mah belt..." Hence the name.

This second definition is however considered archaic and vulgar, and should be avoided in polite conversation; particularly when discussing middle-aged matrons of generous girth.



features examined in palmistry: A first phalanx, B second phalanx, C Mount of Venus, D Mount of Jupiter, E Mount of Saturn, F Mount of Apollo, G Mount of Mercury, H Mount of Mars, I Mount of the Moon, a ring of Venus, b line of the heart, c line of the head, d line of life, e line of fate, f line of fortune, g line of health, h brackets, i will, j reason, k love, m line of marriage

typical obs  
weather device

OTC, 1. over the counter: the sale of items to goofers, without which they would most certainly perish. 2. on the couch: on-the-job sleaze. 3. off the cuff: on-the-job wise-crack.

- P -

pack (pak), v. to muscle a load of chicken up a mountain and secretly wish it were the other way around.

pack'board (pak'bōrd), n. next to his rat and his PDA, a hutman's best friend.

pack'house (pak'hous), n. way station on the Road to Bigger Quads.

pack'rope (pak'rōp), n. like sex, something that always seems either too short or too long.

pack-route (pak-rūt), n. the Road to Bigger Quads.

pack, six- (siks-pak), n. that which is thankfully guzzled upon completion of the above.

pack-trail (pak-trāl), n. see "pack route".

pack-trip (pak-trip), n. the act of transporting those chickens.

pack-trou (pak-trou), n. garment worn when packing. Outfits may range from the more or less conventional (shorts, knickers, skirts), to the out and out sublime (dish towels, bandanas, birthday suits, dead squirrels, etc.).



armor 1: 1 helmet, 2 gorget, 3 shoulder piece, 4 polletto, 5 breastplate, 6 brassard, 7 elbow piece, 8 skirt of tassels, 9 tulle, 10 gauntlet, 11 cuissin, 12 knee piece, 13 jambou, 14 soleret



bloomer 1



packing

PDA, poop deck action; a hutman's best friend.

male and female pack-trou

PDP, poop deck potential; for male croo: the sum total of all females spending the night whos' bust measurements are twice their age (or better). For female croo: any guy who owns a One-eyed Trouser Mouse.

PDL, 1. pretty damn lucky. 2. when PDA = PDP; when what goes up decides to go down.



peon

peon (pē'on), n. a salaried slave; < God invented ~ & because he was disappointed in the monkey. -Mark Twain >

pi'an'o (pi'an'ō), n. not what you think; a series of shelves suspended from the ceiling, for storing foodstuffs, condiments, and an occasional bog roll.

poop deck (pūp dek), n. lattice storage space in each hut for food, etc. 2. where you take your date when you're sick of pizza, the T.V.'s busted, and you've just seen Alien for the sixth time at the Gorham Drive-In. (See "PDA", "PDP", "PDL".)

poop sheet (pūp shēt), n. a list of items (excluding PDA) for replenishing the poop deck.

pow'er di'ning (pou'ər dīn'ing), n. when 5 people feed 90 people 1 meal in 90 minutes.

pow'er raid (pou'ər rād), n. when the entire crew from one hut raids another hut in the light of day, usually gagging and lashing the person on cookday to the stove or reefer. (See "raid".)

pow'er wash (pou'ər wosh), n. when 3 people clean dishes for 90 people in 10 minutes, with no drownings.

- R -

rack mas'ter (rak' mās'tər), n. the Dip Queen's right-hand man (unless he's standing to her left); official title: Chairman of China.

rack time (rak tīm), n. when you're most prone to take it easy.

rag bag (rag bag), n. cork pouch.

raid (rād), n., v. -n. a battle, in a highly formalized ritual war, as originally practiced by Chinese warlords in the Chō Dynasty; later introduced to America by the Hatfields and the McCoys.

Present day raids must comply with the Geneva Accords, especially those clauses banning the use of shotguns, nuclear weapons, bacteriological warfare, and the taking of prisoners for sale to the RMC.  
-v. to perform a raid.

raid i'tem (rād ī'tēm), n. anything not worth taking, usually larger than a breadbox.

rat (rat), n. A sickly sweet, noxious liquid, traditionally quaffed in quantity after packing; a hutman's best friend, after PDA. Also used for removing warts and bunyons.



rack time

ream (rēm), v., n. see "blitz".

rec., requisition; a request for food, hut supplies, etc. Most requests are swiftly and efficiently precessed by the Pinkham Truckers. Occasionally, however, a few items are deemed too extravagant and exorbitant, and so are denied. (E.g. Hawaiian Luau: 18 roast sows, 200 hommingbirds stuffed with honied ants and served on flaming pago-pago sticks, 10 gallons pina colada, 2000 larks' tongues in aspic, 1 recording of Don Ho Sings All Your Favorites from The Sound of Music, and 25 grass skirts (optional); Alabama Luau: 2 possums and a six-pack; Pinkham Luau: 25 gallons of chocolate chip ice cream and 1 keg of Blatz Draught Beer (beer?); etc.)

reefer, refridgerator; where you momentarily stash your Pinkham Luau if you can get the Truckers loaded enough in the first place to give it to you.

resi-desk, reservation desk; hunting ground of the resi-sec.

resi-form, reservation form; a mild abrasive used by resi-secs to give pencils the appearance of being used.

resi-sec, reservation secretary; anyone who can answer a phone all morning for weeks on end saying: "Good morning, AMC...", and come through without permanent mental damage, inability to say the words *probability of precipitation*, and bleeding from the ears.

rook'ie (rōk'i), n. In the huts, a first-year man; an indentured servant. Similar to "peon", but receives far less money and far more shit. The rookie credo: *Use your head. It's the little things that count.*

rum'my (rum'i), n. anyone who thinks Fallopian tube is what one uses to connect a household water system. (See "wingnut".)

- S -

sam'my (sam'i), n. 1. hot water pot; invariably marked in bold letters "HOT WATER". 2. where you point goofers when they ask, "Where's the hot water?"

set (set), n. see "days".

shit-day (shit-dā), n. the day when toilet doth clog and stnk runneth over, when Dave uses 239 pots cooking lunch and Hobart runs out of soap; when Faustian bargains look like a good deal.

schlong (shlōng), n., v. see "gong", "dong".

sleaze (slēz), v., n. -v. to do absolutely nothing and make it look like you're doing something (i.e., nothing). -n. the act of sleazing. 2. when Pinkham summer staff visit in the winter.

snap (snap), v. to use a crapper snapper.

snapper (snap'pər), n. see "crapper snapper".

soy doy (soi doi), n. crew dump. (See "CD".)



- T -

ten-cent la'bo'to'my (ten'-sent la'bōt'ō'mē), n. to ingest via nasal inhalation one teaspoon or more of snoose (Copenhagen preferred; Skoal will do). (Ed. note: operation was first successfully performed by Dr. Phil King on voluntary patient David "Sponge-Nose" Huntfarb, at Lakes Veterinary Clinic.)

TC, Trail Crew. (<TFC).

thum'per (thum'pər), n. one of those highly unpredictable things that forms a part of our highly unpredictable weather. It has been said that dressing for White Mountain weather is like trying to dress for a disco funeral.

tor, visitor; day guest at the huts.

TP, 1. Trading Post. 2. toilet paper (see "bog roll", "bum wad").

tracks (traks), n. those two parallel steel rails ascending Mt. Washington via the Ammonoosuc Ravine; the Cog Railway; fools' way to the top of the hill.

train wreck (trān' rek), n. a (sort of) casserole/stew/one-pot dish, where everything ends up together. (Do not see "cog".)

traVerse (trav'ers), hut-, v. to hike to all the huts, usually east to west in the same day, and come out of it with both feet still screwed on. -n. the act of traversing.

tri'o (trē'ō), n. (<F triage), a spud-like processed potato-food product; alleged to cause everything from cancer and shingles, to menstrual cramps in men. Scientists have used trio to induce hiccups in fetal pigs.

tron (trōn), n. (<E patron) overnight guest at a hut, frequently also a goofer.  
<So the hike down from the summit almost killed you, eh? Well then take the tracks ~ .>

turkey dive bomb (tēr'ki dīv'bom), n. (<E Turkey Divan), a devastating one-pot made from horsecock (turkey loaf). A.k.a. Turkey Sofa.

- U -

u-trou (ū-trō), n. under trousers. (Prob. <pack-trou)

- V -

val'ley night (val'i nīt), n. nocturnal furlough from the frets of Hut chores.

val'ley week (val'i wēk), n. when "furlough" becomes "escape".

- W -

wake-up (wāk-up), n. reveille, hut style; sometimes done with bugle, sometimes with guitar, sometimes with flute, sometimes with recorder, sometimes with dulcent voices, sometimes with chain saw...

whirl'y trip (hwēr'l'i trip), n. packing while under the influence; most memorable at night, with headlamps.

white death (hwīt deth), n. sweet, odorless whipped-cream substitute. Recently chosen the Official Desert of the Peoples Temple.

wig'wam (wig'wom), n. any alcoholic punch mixed in a Wigwam<sup>TM</sup> maple syrup bottle.

wing'nut (wing'nut), n. one who's screws have come so loose they've all fallen out; one who's train of thought lacks a locomotive.

wub'ba-wub'ba (wu'ba-wu'ba), n. large round metal gaboon cover.

- Z -

ZOOL (Zealand Hut), n. revered by hutmen and goofers alike as the hut with the longest most arduous, difficult access routes of any hut in the system.



u-trou



wingnut

ass'load ('as'·lōd), n. a loaded packboard with an unfavorably low center of gravity; misapplied physics.

bo'bo ('bō·bō), n. an unusual imported tobacco, a favorite of hutmen at work and play.

Bon'do ('bān·dō), n. Most Honorable and Secret Chinese art of Kwik Fix; better than duct tape or chewing gum. First introduced to the U.S. by the Construction Crew.

braille trail ('brā(ə)l 'trā(ə)l), n. the act of hiking on hands and face, usu. at night.

chick'en tit ('chik'ən tit), n. easy white meat.

don'key dou'ger ('daŋ·kē dū'ger), n. four or five hours of stomachache disguised as an Italian sausage.

dou'ble-end'ers ('dēb' ·'len·dərz) n, pl. when you cannot decide whether to blow chunks, shit, or shine your shoes, or maybe try all at once <usu. with *The Dreaded* ~> (See "gak".)

gak ('gak), n. 2. scourge of the hut system; origin: unknown. Popular theories contend that it is contracted through over-indulgence in strong drink and playing in the rain. Some local pundits claim it is born of unclean women and toilet seats and/or door knobs. Still others swear it is due to thumpers and bad karma. Whatever the origin, the symptoms are widely known: feelings of being pummelled against a large wall by soggy bog rolls. Shot from cannons even. No specific vortexes of pain; the patient just aches all over. The gak...crippler of Hutmen...

scum'ba'go ('skəm·bā'gō), n. one who suffers from lumbago of the moral faculties.

sky'load ('skī'·lōd), n. any loaded packboard measuring more than twice the height of its bearer.

sweat'less ('swet'les), n. a sweatless hike. Consider the following, reprinted from the *Ellsworth American*, July 26, 1981. "DATELINE: LOW AND BURBANKS GRANT, N.H.--- Another mountaineering milestone was set today as Mr. Mac Chipster, a third-year hutman, successfully completed the world's first recorded "sweatless" ascent of the Valley Way Trail. Mr. Chipster, scantily clad in just shorts, boots, and a bandana, set out from Appalachia at 10:40 A.M. and braved temperatures in the 50's and winds gusting over 30 miles per hour to arrive at Madison Hut 5 hours and 12 minutes later.

According to our reliable source on the Madison Crew, Mr. Chipster did in fact arrive at the Hut without a drop of sweat upon him. The bandana was weighed for the official judgement, and was found not to have gained any weight due to the absorption of Mr. Chipster's bodily moisture. Said Mr. Chipster: "I'll drop out if I drop one drop."

Having thus hiked a 3.8 mile trail in slightly over 5 hours without sweating, Mr. Chipster's latest ambition is to climb Mt. Washington without the use of his arms or any technical rock-climbing gear."