

Roman Pleasure Gardens.

A Rome correspondent says: Rome has few places for open-air amusements. The inhabitants who affect such resorts have hitherto gone into the Campagna on holidays, and have been obliged to hold their *picnics*, as they call them, at the various rural halts on the roads. These are rural looking places. Each one consists of a small house, with its wine canteen, or cellar. A number of tables are set out on the grass, under a covering of mats, made of plaited reeds and vine branches. Unluckily, there is nothing to do at these rustic resorts but to drink wine and play at *morra*, or some rude game; the result of bloody noses and cracked crowns is not infrequently, for the Italian is given to drinking to excess, and very few are who tipsy. Drinking among Italian workmen, too, by the way, is not at all uncommon. I have been obliged lately to send away an excellent servant simply on account of this uncomfortable *vizio*. The amiable weakness grew to the too frequent, for when she was in her cups she broke my *bric-a-brac* and frightened me out of my senses. The Monte Mario ("Tivoli") pleasure garden is an improvement upon the old wine halt resorts on the Campagna, and its popularity grows much the more because it is always a *bric-a-brac* and a *bric-a-brac* crowd, notwithstanding the long stretch of the Via Flaminia, which is noisy, crowded, and dusty all the way from Porto del Popolo to the famous Milvian bridge where Maximian fought and fell and Constantine conquered by the cross.

A Philanthropic Failure.

The famous Millbank penitentiary, one of the most stupendous failures in English prison policy, is soon to be broken up, after fifty years of unsatisfactory experiment. Almost all students of prison reports are familiar with the diagrams of this remarkable "panopticon," a device of Jeremy Bentham's, consisting of six pentagonal structures radiating like the spokes of a wheel from a central hexagon as a point of observation. It was conducted for a long time upon what seems like a travesty of the humanitarian system. It was a "huge playing," says one of the officers; "a toy for a parcel of philanthropic gentlemen to keep their busy during their spare hours." The convicts, petted, and according to outsiders, overfed, subjected continually for exhibition, and parcelled to incessant changes of discipline, began to give themselves airs, and to get upon the consciences which disapproves themselves must pronounce insufficient. The women refused to have their hair cut, and after a stout tussel with the authorities, they got their own way—as women are in the habit of doing. On occasion of a visit of the chamberlain to the convicts, this model reformatory, the gentle sex broke into insurrection against brown bread. Punishments were made so difficult that they were rarely inflicted, and Millbank became one of the most undesirable places of residence in the British islands. Over twenty years ago the peculiarities in its management were all abolished, and it has since been merely an ordinary prison.

Innocent Amusements.

The New York Tribune contends that the great number of crimes committed by boys and young men is due to the fact of evil associations, and that through inability of the criminal to find cheap and innocent amusements. It remarks that villainy and crime are not necessary elements in the entertainments which please the most ignorant lad. The bookbinder who spends his last penny for the *Punch*, or for a ticket to a Bowery saloon, would be just as delighted with a Christmas pantomime or a day in the fields. The worst social danger before the next generation lies precisely in this direction, and the only help that is in the provision for the lower classes of national, cheap amusements, and in the personal supervision of every educated boy by his parents, that he be not tainted by either the books to which we adverted or by the plays which present them. These books, let us say, will be found in places where the most careful mother will hardly look for them. The issues of respectable publishing firms, even Sunday-school libraries, are full of tales of heated passions and reckless bravado. Even when such tales are untainted with actual facts they give the boy utterly false ideas of his place and importance in life. The wholesome lesson for a lad is that of his own insignificance. Our grandfathers erred perhaps in stern neglect of their children, but they taught them their place as children, after all. One did not think of ten-year-olds as being murderers in the upper classes, and newly-bred burglars in the docks.

Tramps in New England.

The Boston Transcript says: The tramps now travel in gangs, and when they choose to turn highwaymen are dangerous assailants. A party of four of these fellows has been operating in Holliston, and other towns all over the State have been annoyed by tramps during the past few weeks. Everywhere people are anxious to get rid of them, and when they manifest a willingness to "move on" they are helped to do so. Some of them are young and strong and able to work, but they have no taste for agricultural labor, and are content with loitering about. Every month of idleness confirms them in their vagabond life, makes them more unfit for useful labor, and increases the danger to the community because of their presence. If a return of good times does not soon afford them employment, it suits them, the question which shall be done with them and for them will soon be a serious one with town and State authorities.

A Singular Clock.

The Paris (Ky.) paper describes a clock made by a clever mechanic of that place, which requires no winding but is moved slowly by electricity. If understood, it will run continuously for an indefinite period. A singular fact in connection with it was recently discovered by Mr. Clark. Pointing the finger of his right hand toward the dial of the clock, it was observed suddenly to cease running. After close and unavailable scrutiny to detect the cause, Mr. Clark pointed the finger of his left hand toward the dial, when the clock instantly renewed its time keeping. The experiment has been repeatedly witnessed by many citizens. No cause is apparent for the strange phenomenon. Even at the distance of six or eight feet, with a large plate glass window intervening, the effect is the same. The solution of this singular mystery will prove an interesting subject of investigation to scientific minds.

Summer Fashions for Ladies.

Round collars and English standing collars, with turned-down points in front, are more in vogue than ever. The collars should be made with dikey attached. Plain white linen is used in making them, but some have the inside lined with hair-stripped linen, blue, brown, or black. Striped and colored hosiery is rapidly displacing white. Brown, gray, blue, and lavender, and black, are made in various shades, but stripes, and those somber-colored colors are relieved by rich and bright silk cloths, starting at the ankle and running half way up the leg, or up to the old garter point below the knee. Stockings are never gathered now below the knees. They are made of knit, one yard long from the heel to the top, and are suspended by clasps and elastics from the under garments. Lace making is the fashionable fancywork of ladies in New York this season, and bits of fancy lace, knitted, and embroidered and embroidered, are worn for mornings at the seaside and the watering places. The most elegant toiles are now made with the corsage or basque fastened with hooks and eyes instead of buttons. Bows of ribbon, at intervals of six inches, take the place of the buttons. Black lace shawls or points and black lace saques are worn by the most elegant and fashionable women for street walks in midsummer weather. Small scarfs of Valenciennes insertion and edging are worn by the most elegant women for evenings at home, and ends falling like a jabot on the bosom. Such scarfs are sometimes made of plain Brussels net, hemmed, the ends finished with antique guipure, Valenciennes, or any other fine real lace. Half-high and low shoes are worn for the house, the brogue ground, and short country walks.

The "Tramp" Nuisance.

A committee of the Connecticut Legislature has been investigating the "tramp" nuisance which has grown to such formidable dimensions within the last few years. They find that in that State during the past year not less than forty thousand lodgings have been supplied to wandering vagrants, more than one-half of them in the State of Connecticut. They have adopted that calling as a means of livelihood, openly avowing in many instances, when offered food or clothing as an inducement to work, that they are professional tramps, and are round to have their wages working for them. Some of them are supplied with maps showing the most profitable routes to travel, the best places to procure lodgings, and giving the names of families most likely to feed them. In addition to the burden of supporting these worthless loafers, the public have suffered serious loss from fires which they have kindled, and which have destroyed forests, barns, and other property. The committee have submitted a bill for sending beggars of this class to the State workhouse for from three to six months on the first conviction, and from one to fifteen months for a second offense. They also recommend the appointment of a board to present to the next Legislature a plan for an institution for tramps and criminal inmates which shall be self-supporting. They have no doubt of the practicability of making it so, and in support of this view quote the example of the Allegheny workhouse in Cleonport, Pa., which has made a net gain of \$28,000 in three years from the labor of prisoners.

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Autarctic Icebergs.

Those who visit the antarctic seas after having been in the arctic are greatly disappointed in the form of the icebergs, for while those of the north assume every fantastic shape that fancy can conceive, the southern ones are nearly table topped lumps of ice, precisely the same in form as on the day they parted from their parent glacier; these were nearly the size of the iceberg which drifted from the mountains of Greenland to the warmer northern seas. Icebergs melt more quickly, and assume far more picturesque appearances; but in the Southern ocean the temperature of the water through which the icebergs drift is below the freezing point of fresh water, and therefore icebergs are not to melt the ice. It is only after they have moved a considerable way northward that the regularity of their shape begins to be interfered with. As the berg travels from the pole, it first reaches a latitude where the warmer water has the power of heating the surface water slightly above the freezing point without affecting that which immediately below it; this has the effect of melting in the side of the berg all round it, and at just above the sea level; but this notch is not observed to widen, and this notch is wider than the one above it. As the warm water becomes still warmer as the berg floats further north, it has naturally greater power, and deep caves or caverns are formed, which offer increased facilities for wave-washing the larger they become, until the mass becomes so weakly that it is liable to be broken up. As this latter center of gravity, the berg lurches over, and either forms a slope, or a long spur or tongue rises; and thus the work of destruction proceeds, until the form of the berg is altogether changed, and that part which formed the tongue may become the topmost pinnacle. Hence the greater variety of form in the bergs seen by the ships plying south on an arc of the great circle in comparatively low latitudes. The portions that break away from the berg are termed "calves," and they are often of far greater danger than the bergs themselves, for the latter have a reflected light that renders them visible at a little distance on the darkest night; whereas the calf, although it may be several tons in weight, is not perceptible, or if so, may readily be mistaken for the top of a sea breaking.

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