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THE BRIEF LIFE OF A SONG. Whistling a Tune into Notes and Then Hurrying it into Oblivion.

A song, a flower, an actor becomes popular. Everybody sings and whistles that song because he likes it.

Once upon a time, about a thousand years ago, there was written a song known as "Singing and His Dinah."

This view of the life of a song is distracting. Yesterday the classic "Singing and His Dinah" was written.

THE HIGHER TYPE—Gilbert and Sullivan songwriters. The readers of to-day live twenty years, their children will ask them who were the Gilbert and Sullivan.

THE EGYPTIAN CHARIOTS had linch-pins of bronze, and were put together with pins and nails. Screws, so far as known, were not invented.

INDIVIDUALS have been cured of stammering by always filling the lungs with air by a simple inhalation before beginning to speak.

Only 326,411 immigrants entered the United States last year, a decrease of 19 per cent. since the previous year.

THE ROMAN SCHOLARSTERS used a whip made of eel skin to punish their scholars on the naked back.

IF A MAN DON'T SAY much, he can soon get the name of knowing a heap.—Chicago Ledger.

THE SOUTH OF THE SOUTHERNERS. Fascination—Nature's Loveliest.

IN THE SWING. Back and forth in the swing, with rhythmic and low soft motion.

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A STREAK OF SLIPPERY LIGHTNING—Squaw-Mothers and Pappasoes—Finn.

Twenty-five years ago, in Minnesota, I used to watch the Sioux boys and girls in their winter village up the Minnesota river.

A COLLECTION OF ARABIAN MANUSCRIPTS. The collection of manuscripts which the sultan of Morocco has turned over to the metropole, or high school, of Fez.

PROF. HENRY'S BIG MAGNET AND BATTERY. Among the many valuable and historic pieces of apparatus which were invented and used by the late Professor Henry.

THE ELECTRO-MAGNETIC LOCOMOTIVE IN 1851. Professor Page made a trial trip with his electric-magnetic locomotive on Tuesday, April 29, 1851, starting from Washington.

WHEN BILL-BACKS FIRST CAME INTO THE WORLD. Bill-backs came into the world upon what announcements and proclamations were posted in London about the year 1740.

FAMOUS MR. EADS AS A BIT OF A BOY. When about 10 years old his father fitted him a small workshop, and there he constructed, in all forty months, a steam engine, steam boiler, electrical and other machines.

TRANSMISSION OF AN ELECTRIC CURRENT. Recent experiments in France show that the transmission of an electric current over a distance of fifty miles was effected with a loss of only 50 per cent.

THE OBLIGING CONDUCTOR—A subtle Fascination—Nature's Loveliest.

A LATENT STREAK OF INSANITY. Peculiarities of People Who Are Not Actually Composed—A First Hand.

Some one has said that in every one of us there is a latent streak of insanity, and I guess he wasn't far from the mark.

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RATES OF ADVERTISING. Table with columns for day, week, month, and year rates.

A Chat Concerning Superstitions. We were discussing superstitions the other night. The morris, De Vivo was telling us about the Italians and their superstitions.

WHEN THERE WERE NO DENTISTS. "I often think," wrote Olive Wendell Holmes, in his letter declining an invitation to the dental society.

THE FARMER AND HIS BLIZZARD HOPE. No one who has not been in a blizzard can form the faintest conception of his feelings.

THE GUARDED LANGUAGE OF DIPLOMACY. The Hon. E. B. Washburn is an expert diplomat. His experience as a former minister in Europe served him well.

NO COLOR-BLINDNESS AMONG SAVAGES. A single instance of color-blindness has been found by Schwarzhacht in an examination of 2,000 Hottentots, Malays, Melanese, and Polynesians.

TERMS TO SUIT. Ladies (to applicants)—What wages will you accept as nurse? Applicant—Low could be the lady, m'm?

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