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The growing stream with heedless flow winds

on.
Sow gladly lingering round some glowing lale
That smiles with heavenly beauty and allures
With promise of perpetual delights;
Now ficreely dashing down some rough cas-

calle.

Where rushing waters split on hostile rocks, spouting aloft the iridescent spray brifted in sunless elefts by swaying winds; so pass the years of youth. Our riper age is like the broadened river's stately march, Whose current slackens, yet admits no pause, but passes field and coppice, tower and town. Not wholly 'scaping from defiling stains. Yet tolling onward restlessly. Adown its smooth yet ever sliding stream we maste. Its smooth yet ever slidling stream we haste, Nor mark the progress of its quiet speed, Fill, faster rushing as it nears the end. It sweeps us onward in resistless course Through the torn rapids of disease and pain, I'll, plunging down the cataract of death, We glide into a vast and unknown space— The boundless ocean of eternity.

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Heroic Railroad Men.

Every time a wreck train goes out on one of the branching lines and comes back with a load of splinters and junk the "boys" at the junction have something to talk about for a week. They never become excited over a smashup and a list of injured, but when it happens the old fellows are reminiscent for a day or two the youngsters who pull out every second day in close cabs and on top of icy freight cars are unusually

thoughtful. There is something soldierly in the quiet heroism of railroad men who have known danger and expect to die some day under a heap of box cars. You realize this when you get next to them and find what kind of men they are under the plaid jackets and coal dust. And you like them better when you know them well.-Chicago News-Record.

Mastodons and Mule Footed Hogs.

Science knows of the mastodon only as 'an extinct fossil proboscidian pachyderm, closely allied to the elephant of modern fauna." Who knows, however, but that these "supposed-to-be-extinct" creatures may be as pientiful in the 'land of the midnight sun" as mule footed hogs seem to be in Arkansas, Missouri and the Indian Territory? Three weeks ago I would have been much more surprised had I met a real live mule footed hog than I would have been to have met a whole herd of the aforesaid "fossil proboscidian pachyderms." Since that time everything has changed. The hundreds of letters sent in by kindly disposed friends are convincing proof that mule footed hogs are more plentiful in the south than office seekers in Washing-ton.—St. Louis Republic.

And He West Away Sedly.
"How do you sound the 'g' in the
word 'gerrymander?" inquired the man
who had climbed three flights of stairs to see the answer-to-queries editor.
"Hard," answered the editor, "as in

"There goes every cent I won on New York!" rejoined the caller, turning away

with a heavy sigh. And a moment later the melancholy plick plack of his weary feet was heard on the stairway, growing fainter and fainter as he went down and out to face s cold and unfriendly world again.-Chicago Tribune.

Dull Eyed Scientists. Mrs. Hayman-Who are those gentimen runnin into our barn to get out

th' rain? Daughter-They are a party of scientists who are staying at the hotel. They've been out on some expedition or other.

Mrs. Hayman-I don't see where their eves was las' night. Anyone might 'a' known from th' new moon it was goin to rain. It was tipped up so it couldn't hold water if it tried. - New York

Hunting with a Whip. The following tall story comes from Middletown, Conn.: While a resident of that town was driving along a country road at the edge of a wood his dog flushed a couple of partridges. The birds burst out of the brush with a whir, flying side by side, and as they were passing over the hunter's head he made a vicious cut with his whip at them, and according to the legend the whip hit one of the birds and broke its neck.-Philadelphia Ledger.

When Sore Throats Were Expensive. "When I first went into the show business," said a wealthy retired circus man. "one of my chief attractions was a pair of giraffes. Giraffes were a novelty in those days, and these proved to be a great card, but before I had them a month they were both taken with sore throats. Do you realize what it means for a giraffe to have a sore throat? It pretty nearly bankrupted me to provide for their cure.

-New York Sun. Some argue that light, the astronomer's only basis of search in the unfathomable regions of space, expands and decomposes in its progress, and that at best it gives us only very imperfect data upon which to base calculations.

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shorter in winter than it is during the hot summer months. The relative ratios of the lower case letters in ordinary work is: z, 1; k, j, q, x, 8; b, v, 7; g, p, w, y, 10; c, f, u, m, 12; d, 1, 20; h, r, 30; a, i, n, o, s, 40; t, 45; e, 60. Total, 582.

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