

It is the overworked boiler that causes many accidents. Slightly and scarlet fever rise as the temperature falls, and fall after the temperature rises in the spring. They have discovered a new way of making a bonfire at Virginia City, Nev. Bricks are soaked in kerosene for two days, after which they will burn brightly for more than an hour. Several recent explosions are traceable to the fact that the firm's rays were not good enough for him to rely on the state of the gauge, though he thought he could report on it perfectly. The length of the tubes employed in the pneumatic postal dispatch in Berlin is about 30 miles. The number of letters, cards and local telegrams forwarded by this system in 1887 was 934,000. The cost of construction has been \$700,000. As the best method water-proofing soldiers' clothing, the Belgian government has adopted dipping the goods in acetate of alumina and then drying in the air. The clothing is not injured, and is said to offer no obstacle to perspiration after treatment. Professor Langley finds that a very faint light may be perceived in about half a second while an ordinary bright light requires only about half that interval, and that the same amount of energy may produce as much as 100,000 times the visual effect in one color than it does in another. The lightning-flash is generally supposed to have a duration of much more than the one-hundredth of a second, but part of a second, but Trowbridge has obtained photographic results which indicate that it may last several seconds. On a slow-moving plane a flash was impressed as a broad ribbon-shaped band. Gum on trees of any character is but the waste cells of the trees, which discharge upon the surface by the power that constructs a tree. When the substance is very mobile or thin it is an oil, when it is a resin. There are all kinds of the substance from an oil to a resin. The relation between cold weather and various diseases has lately been elaborately studied and discussed by Dr. Henry B. Baker, Secretary of the Michigan State Board of Health. His results, published in Science, show that diphtheria, scarlet fever and smallpox are largely controlled by meteorological conditions. Dr. Baker finds that diphtheria is most frequent in autumn and winter, accompanying somewhat. In its rise and fall by seasons and by months, the fall and rise of the temperature and the rise and fall of wind velocity. Comparatively little attention was given by the medical profession to the treatment of sprains till 1870 or 1871 when Sir James Paget urged the investigations of the subject and the institution of scientific methods in the matter. Dr. Warton Hood afterward published in the "Lancet" an account of the methods followed by the professional bone setters of the public, which, with some changes, were attended with considerable success. But greater interest in the subject has recently been published in London by Dr. G. W. Mansell M. D. This author recommends a treatment chiefly hydrostatic, with the avoidance of such lotions and liniments as irritate and excite, and as accurately measured rest, followed by moderate and careful movements, and suitably adapted massage.

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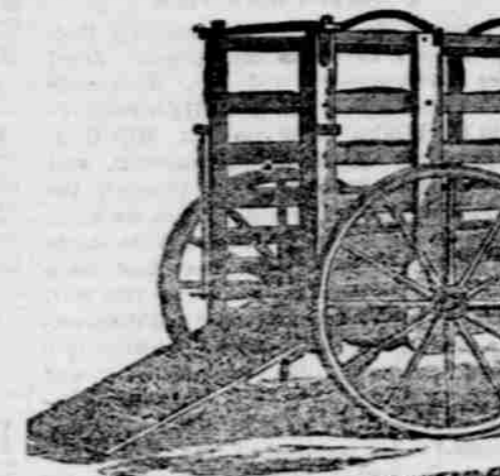
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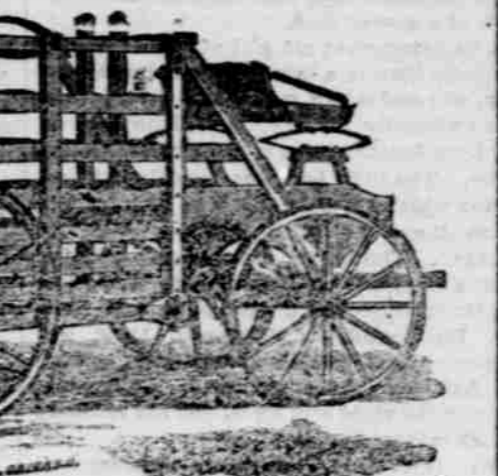
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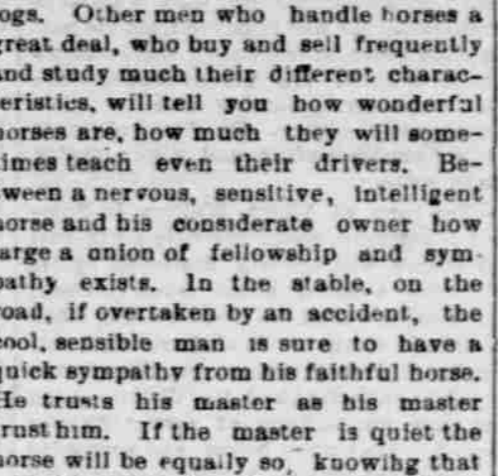
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The Story of a Bracelet.

"Did you lose this?" inquired a little girl of some strangers who were strolling near Cypress Point, on the seven-mile drive out of Monterey, as she held up a pretty gold bracelet.

It was during the Chautauque Assembly at Pacific Grove, in 1887, that a party was made up of those who took part in the lectures to enjoy the ride, which is the great feature of a visit to the Ancient City by the sea. To come to Monterey without making the trip would be on a par with a person going to Saratoga and not drinking at the mineral springs, or spending a vacation at Coney Island without enjoying a sun-bath.

In response to the child's question a gentleman stepped forward and took the ornament, which he discovered bore the name of one of the young ladies stopping at E. Carmelo, together with the further inscription that it was presented to her by admirers during her engagement at the Haymarket Theatre, London. An inquiry as to whether anything had been lost brought a negative reply, but the gentleman, after giving the child some slight reward, carefully assigned the bracelet in his pocket, reserving a pleasant surprise for the evening, and all were apprised of the fact that something would occur after supper which would be at least one heart beat for joy. The trip home was made without special incident, and at last the looked-for time arrived when one of the litter-bearers present, who had been appointed to perform the duty, called on Miss Eleanor Calhoun, the talented young Californian, who returned her lost bracelet, which, it then became known, she dropped the same previous while lunching at the same spot, and then had laid hidden in the sand, to be traced up by an unknown child's foot during the owner's next visit.

There are a great many minds in this world. A bright, witty woman once remarked of those married couples who sought disunion in the courts that they were mist couples, and surely this term may be applied to those farmers who have got into a business unacquainted with their character and habits, and in which they chafe themselves, and live under the dark shadow of discontent.

How to Punish Children.

"How to punish children," said Professor Adler, in a lecture recently given at the University of California, is a question which depends in a greater degree than the people imagine the welfare of the State, the family, society, and the ethical development of humanity itself. We should be the physicians of our enemies; we should profit by their hostility, and lead them to a better mind by gentleness and firmness combined, and even chastise them when their own good and social advancement require it. How many parents know how to punish children!

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