Rich Returns Received by Ingenious Inventors.

Articles of Usefolness and Convenience Which Have Made Large Fortunes for the Men Who Thought Them Out

-The Value of Ideas. "There is," says an eminent authori ty, "scarcely an article of human conpatent in whole or in part. The sale of every such article yields its inventor a profit. If we purchase a box of paper collars a portion of the price goes to the inventor; if we buy a sewing machine the probability is that we pay a royalty to as many as a dozen or lifteen inventors at once." Lord Brougham often said that he would gladly have exchanged his honors and emoluments for the profits and renown of the inventor of the perambulator or sewing machine. We are not wishful, says the Chicago Herald, to lead our readers to covet what are termed "large fortunes" as really conductive to happiness or usefulness: "Fartune" is itself a heathen and not a Christian word. But "invention" is another thing, and the remunerative results (are a fluing element for consideration in these days. Howe, the originator of the sewing machine, do rived \$100,000 a year from 1, and from their mechanical improvements the cel chrated Wheeler & Wilson are reputed to have divided for many years an income of £200,000, while the author of the Singer sowing machine left at his decease nearly £3,000,000. The telephone, the planing muchine and the subber extents realized many millions while the simple blea of heating the blast in leen smelting increased the wealth of the country by hundreds of millions. The patent of making the lower ends of candles taper instead of parallel, so as to more easily fit the ocket, made the present enormous business of a well-known firm of London chandlers. The "drive-well" was nn bles of Colonel Green, whole troops during the war were in want o water. He concelved the notion driving a two-inch tube into the ground until water was reached, and then at taching a pump. This simple contriv ance was patented, and the tens of thou sands of farmers who have adopted it have been obliged to pay him a royalty. estimated at £000,000. A large profit was realized by the inventor who pat-

ented the idea of making umbrellas out

of alpaca instead of gingham, and the

patentee of the improved "paragon

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tion. The weaving, dyeing lare and

muchinery, the result of an inlinity of inventiles efforts. The discovery of the perforated substance used for bottoming chales and for athor mercores has made its inventor a millionaire. George Yealon, the invento in question, was a poor Yunkee cane senier in Verment. He first distinmarney out of it, as some one dule hi hien such find the proves parented After a monther of years' experimenting Yendon at last his apon this invention, which reterior of a number of thin layers of bounds of different degrees of hardness glaced together to give pliaand is in the receipt of a princely an anal revenue derived from this layer tion. Cornel heating, from being an untold mileanes, has become a Jueratly trade through inventive genius and no riosity has been turned to account it the number of automatic boxes for the sale of goods of all kinds; and falutous dividends have been paid by the corr panies owning the patents. The most profitable inventions have been the im provements in simple devices, things of every-day use. that everybody wants Among the number of patents for small things may be mentioned the "stylo different colors, producing \$40,000 pe by a miner who invented a metal rive or eyeles as each end of the mouth of cont and trousers pocket to rosis; the strain caused by the carriers of phece of ore and heavy tools. In a recent legal notion it transpired in evidence that the inventor of metal plates used t protect soll and heels of boots from west sold appeard of 12,000,000 plates 1879, and in 1887 the number reache 148,000,000, pr sleeting realized profits of a quarter of a million of money. An ings, undergarments, etc., the sale of which is very large and increasing. As large a sum as was ever obtained for any invention was enjoyed by the wenter of the inverted glass bell to hang over gas to protect cellings from being blackened, and a sourcely Inerative batear was that for simply putting enery powder on cloth. Fro quently time and circumstances are wanted before an invention is appreci ated, but it will be seen that patience well rewarded, for the inventor of the roller slate made over £200,000, notwithstanding the fact that his patent had nearly expired before its value was ascertained. The gimlet-pointed serew has produced more wealth than mos silver mines, and the American who first thought of putting copper tips children's shoes is as well off as if h; father had left him \$200,000 In United States bonds. Upward of £2,000 a year

EASILY EXPLAINED.

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Why a Smart Dog Took the Place of a a Setting Hen. Speaking of the dog show," said the man in the slate-colored trousers to a New York Tribune reporter, "reminds me of an astonishing proof of canine intelligence which came under my observation in the year 1879. I was at that time residing in Binghampton, Broome County, N. Y., and had a considerable amount of live stock, some poultry and a superb setter dog. I tell you ne was a fine animal. I never see a dog with such gentle ways. Gentlemen, you could have pulled enough hair out of that dog to stuff a sofa pillow and he wouldn't 'a' bit a bald-headed baby. One day he was runnin' around the yard and somehow he playfully snapped the head off a hen. Gentlemen, I never knowed how he did it, but somehow or other the dog found out that she was a settin' hen and blamed if the critter didn't go and

There was a significant silence as the man in the slate-colored trousers fin-Ished and toyed suggestively with his

out nine chiefe

-Texas Siftings.

set on them eggs himself till he hatched

"How do you explain such a remarkable occurrence?" at length inquired the man on the end. "Setter dog, gentlemen," and then the man in the slate-colored trousers strolled away.

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RECREATION FOR WOMEN.

How the Ladies of London Take Outdoo The prominent place which women have suddenly taken for themselves in all forms of healthy outdoor exercise is of such recent growth that it has not yet had time to form itself into clubs and associations. We in London, says the Times of that city, have not yet seen women able to form coteries and "ladies' luncheons," as the sex is said to do in New York and Boston, into which no intrusive male foot may enter-Whatever they may do across the Atlantic, it is certain that the fair Yankee visitor does not here show such aggressive femininity, and is glad enough to take her pleasure in company with despised man-when the man is English: No form of recreation, to a well-born English woman, can of course compare with riding. True, in London that is only to be obtained in the Row, but under no circumstances does a well-born girl look more fascinating than when turned out" for the midday ride.

Time was when a tall hat and the most perfect and severest habit were the strictest essentials of riding in the Row. During the last year or two, however, a considerable relaxation has come over full riding dress, and a round straw hat, a covert coat, and cotton shirt were often -indeed, most frequently-worn. The types and conditions of womenkind to be seen here are unending. The titled daughter of an M. F. H. is at her ease here just as she will be in the evening at a dance, or later on exchanging friendly greetings with her father's tenantry at the covert side. Her Brayswater in charge of the riding maser and thinking that being on horseeack is an over-estimated pleasure; here s the stout and heavy lady, who hopes that violent exercise upon a weight-carrier will allow her to have her dresses nade an inch or two tighter in the waist, and there is the professional rideress with a showy horse to sell. Yes, the Row is certainly the first place of "recreaion" for women in London.

The last season has seen driving jump o a great height of favor among fashonable women. A smart pony and a little ralli cart are what they have chiefly affected, but it is dangerous to he safety of humbler citizens that every woman believes driving to be the easiest thing in the world. Only those who can and dodrive well recognize how ine an art it is under any circumstances. and that in London it really requires a reat amount of skill and nerve not to endanger either one's own life or that of other people's.

Compared with what it has done in the provinces, 'cycling has made small progress in London as a lady's pastime. It is, however, now becoming more popular, as several well-known women are adopting it. Mrs. Haweis, among thers, is an enthusiastic tricyclist, and can give many useful hints to other ladies about the wisdom of taking train out beyond dreary suburbs and reserving strength for long runs among the hills and pretty scenery which can be reached so easily from London.

It is certain that the predjudice which once existed regarding ladies riding s icycle is fast dying out, and many men now who are leading sedentary ves in offices and schools look forward to a Saturday afternoon's "run" as a restorative and tonic after their week's

LANTERNS IN GERMANY. They Were Formerly Used as Symbols of

The distinctions of rank which exist a European countries give rise to many troubles which, though they may seem rather amusing as well as trivial to us, are in reality quite serious to the persons concerned in them. In Stuttgart, years ago, says an exchange, there existed a curious custom which is not yet entirely abolished, and, in fact, still flourishes quite vigorously in some parts of Germany and Switzerland. This was the use of lanterns of different varieties and sizes, by which, at night. the rank of the party could be easily distinguished.

The lanterns were carried by the servants who were sent to escort their mistresses home from places of amusement, and they made the square in front of the Royal Opera-House, where most of the entertainments were then given, quite pleturesque with their lights bobbing up and down in every

The differences between some of these lanterns were slight, but they had to be strictly observed, or trouble arose. The order of rank, as set forth in the "ranklist," was something from which they could never swerve. Some had lanterns of tin, some of brass; some had wax lights, and others tallow; even the number of lights was prescribed for each eparate class or rank.

An amusing story is told by Hackander of two Stuttgart women, whose life-long friendship was nearly de stroyed by the mistake of one of the susbands, who bought at an auction a lantern which could only be used with propriety by people of the next higher

The servant polished the offending lantern, and took it with her the very next night when she went to meet her mistress at the close of an operatic entertainment. It was some time before the other woman, whose sense of the proprieties of life had been outraged, and who thought her old friend was en-TURE, &c., at honest prices are respectfully invited to give us a call before buying also-where, as we are confident that we can deavoring to lay claim to a rank above the one in which they both belonged, could be appeased. Even after the explanation, the subject of the lantern was always a sore one between them.

RAILWAY NOTES.

THE railroad capital of the world is estimated at \$29,000,000,000. THE five New England States have built so far this year 16 miles of railroad. North Carolina has built 226. Ir costs on an average 2.17 cents to carry a passenger one mile in the United States, and the average length of his trip is 24.17 miles.

READING cars fitted out with the most popular periodicals and books will be attached to the passenger trains on the St. Petersburg-Warsaw railroad. Great care will be taken to have the cars properly lighted in the evening. In England one person out of every

5,250,000 people carried is killed. In Ebensburg, July vi. 1882. France one out of every 2,000,000 passengers is killed. In Belgium one out of every 9,000,000 is killed. In Prussia only one out of 21,500,000 is killed. THE Pennsylvania Railroad Company has awarded contracts for building an iron ferry-boat which, when completed. will be the largest and strongest ferrybeat affoat. The new vessel will be en-

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tirely of iron, except the joiner work,

The L rgest Coin.

The largest gold coin in circulation in he world is stated to be the gold "loof" of Annam, the French colony in Eastern Asia. It is a flat round piece worth sixty-five pounds sterling. The next in size to this unwieldy coin is the Japanese "obang." which weighs more than two ounces and a half, about equal to ten English sovereigns.

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But what kind of stuff these people burn in their pipes is not so much as hinted at. The English traveler on the ontinent will soon gain the information for himself. Go where he may, he will find it simply impossible to obtain what he will dignify with the name of tobacco. The German and Dutch forms are better than the Italian and the French, but we can say no more than this for them. France we are inclined to put as the lowest among civilized tobacco-consum ing countries. The hand of the Government makes itself felt all through. The three kinds of foreign tobacco which are admitted into France are purchased n Government account, and they are about equally bad. The native-grown obacco is wholly wanting in fragrance. and it has the doubtful merit of being very trong, or, as we should term it, very rank. Care is further taken that no one with capital at command shall be suffered to open a tobacco shop. The whole scheme works out as we night expect. There is small chance anywhere, and only between bad and

rorse. It would, perhaps, do something o reconcile the English working-man his lot in life if he had the means o ally bilgher wages and shorter home work but he can also purchase at breepence an ounce a kind of to sacco ly no means of the highest quality, but nevertheless far superior to any which lther a French workman of a French rillionaire can hope for in his own ountry. We do not know what value ar working classes set on a common civilege which comes to them as a mater of course, but we believe there would be a rebullion to-morrow if it vere taken away and they were comselled to smoke caparal, nor should we are to say that it had not been abunlantly provoked.

POLLY AND THE HEMS. in Educated P rest That Got Herself Into Trouble. Our next door neighbor, w

musing parest which is always mercing

Polly is a good girl." She has been al uwed to go free in the garden, wher be promeundes back and forth on th walks, sunning herself and warning of One morning a hen straved out of the chicken yard and was quietly picking

ap her breakfast, when Poll marched a to her and called out "Shoot" in his shrill voice. The poor hen retreated to her own quarters, running as fast as she could, followed by Poll, who screamed Shoo!" at every step. A few days later Poll extended her norning walk into the chicken yard

Here, with her usual curiosity, she went peering into every corner, till she came to the old hen on her nest. The hen made a dive for Poll's yellow head, but nissed it. Poll, thinking discretion the setter part of valor, turned to run, the en, with wings wide spread, following dose after.

As she ran, Poll screamed in he hrillest tones: "O Lord!" O Lord!" A member of the family, who had vitnessed the performance, thought it ime to interfere in Poll's behalf, as the angry hen was gaining on her. He can out and stooping down held out in ands. Poll lost no time in traveling a o his shoulder. Then from her high vantage ground she terned and, looking lown on her foe, screamed: "Hello there

The frightened hen returned to her nest as rapidly as she had come.

ABOUT POPULARITY.

t Will Come to Those Who Deserve It Without Their Seeking. We read in ancient story of an old Grecian phil osopher who was so desirous of being worshiped as a demigod that he threw himself into a volcano, thinking that his mysterious disappearance would lead men to believe that he had been taken bedily to Heaven. Ilis design was frustrated, however, by the action of the volcano, which threw up one of his slippers, thus showing the manner of his death.

This mythical tale has a moral that

we may all do well to heed. If you would have your memory cherished after you are gone, leave behind you nothing but the "fragrance of good deeds." "The evil that men do lives after them," says a prince among poets; "the good is oft interred with their bones." Influ ences created during life will ripple or and widen even after we have passed away; if for good, then to our honor and glory; if for evil, then to our shame and disgrace. Deeds that we may think hidden now will stand out brightly in the light of after time, when our lips are sealed against all possible defense or explanation. It is better to so order our lives that all our actions will bear bringing to the light, and leave no tarnish on our good name. Let us be sure that our sins will find us out sooner or later while we live or after we have gone to rest. We may also learn that those who are over-zealous for popular ity often defeat their own ends, as did the man in the fable, by some foolish act, by some betraying relict of their

selfishness and mad desire for applause. Popularity of the best sort wi'l come to those who deserve it without their seeking. The only kind that is worth having is not gained by fawning upon the public, by catering to every whim and caprice of the populace, but by steady, persistent, noble, honest work that will command in its own time the respect and admiration of all men .-Christian at Work. Took Him by Surprise.

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