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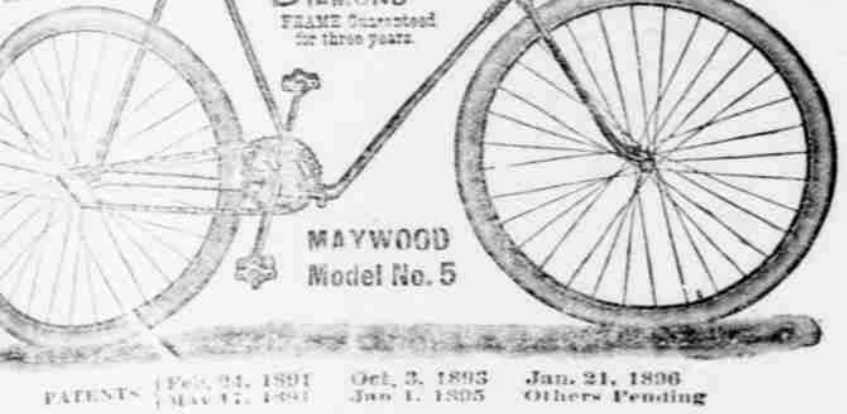
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THE CHAPLAIN'S STORY.

Jim Bourn and I were boys together at Westminster. We went to Oxford together to Balliol; we took our degrees together in the classical (honors) school, and were ordained together by the bishop of London, as curates for his diocese. Here our paths separated for some years, and when next we renewed our old friendship it was the vicar of the town. Still single at 34, and Jim was the chaplain of the famous jail in the same town, and married.

We were talking in my study as in olden times. Somehow the conversation drifted to the subject of a recent newspaper article: "Ought Married People to Have Any Secrets from Each Other?" I said "No," Jim said "Yes."

"You see pleased to see me?" I said. "Yes, sir," replied No. 152. "I am glad you've come; I hardly expected you would, considering how stand-offish I have been. But I wanted to see you, as the doctor says I'm not likely to last much longer—perhaps not until to-morrow."

"There, well, never mind. Keep your courage up, and you'll probably deceive the doctor." I talked to him about his soul and spiritual things. That we may pass by, however, I believe he was thoroughly penitent. I asked him if there was anything I could do for him, and he said "I have never spoken of it to anyone in the world, and never shall, except to yourself."

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SEARCH OF SCIENTISTS.

Prof. Osborn's Hunt for Prehistoric Quadrapeds of the Rockies.
Fossil Hunting and its Attendant Vicissitudes and Emotions—Number One—A Great Obstacle to Success.

Prof. Henry Fairfield Osborn, curator of vertebrate paleontology in the American Museum of Natural History, contributes a paper on "Fossilized Quadrapeds of the Rockies," in which he says:

"Before describing the animals themselves we may stop to note what our present knowledge of them has cost in human toil and endurance. Every one of these pictures is drawn from a complete skeleton hewn out of the solid rock, and each of these skeletons represents years and years of arduous exploration in which Wortman, Hatcher, Peterson and others sent out by the American museum, by Princeton or by Yale, have become famous. Our party during the Titanotherium is a brooding alkali canyon of South Dakota. Its head was protruding from a hard sandstone cliff, and the chest, limbs and trunk were chiseled out by the men under a rude shelter which lowered the noon temperature to 100 degrees. They were encouraged to think that they would be able to dig out the bones of an animal of a corresponding size were secured. Every other skeleton has its own story of determination, disappointment and surprise."

OLD-TIME SOUTHERN SPORT.
Members of Hunting Clubs on Whom Big Fines Were Imposed.

Among the sports of olden times the hunting clubs were prominent. As you were, says the Atlanta Constitution. In Camden county one of the most famous of clubs in this country was built at Bear Hammock and kept under the supervision of Gen. John Floyd. It was there that the Camden County Hunting club organized in 1832, held its meetings, made its rules and imposed its fines.

GATHERING THE RETURNS.

Sees About New York Police Headquarters on Election Night.
The election bureau of the police board is the official recipient of the kind of returns from the precincts. This bureau furnishes each poll with blanks for the official record and also with four sets of small blanks for each office. As soon as the count for an office is finished the four inspectors sign all four blanks and a policeman takes them to a police headquarters, and quickly returns for others. Thus the count goes on until it is completed—sometimes not before midnight.

INCIDENT ON THE ALLEY "L."
Troubled Negro Passengers Subdued by a Rioter on the "L."

VENUS OF MILO.
Buried in an Oak Coffin During the Franco-Prussian War.

THEY NEVER HEARD OF HIM.
Two Chicago Business Men Who Wondered Who George R. Davis Is.

Why He Felt Bad.
"Good morning, Jasper! I'm very sorry to hear of your domestic trouble."

A Vegetable Pistol.
But the most remarkable instance of scattering the seeds (shooting them from the pistol) is that of a native of the forests of South America. The curious fruit of this tree is somewhat flattened, deeply furrowed or fluted on one side and on the other. It has a small opening at the top, and when the seeds are ripe the cells open, and expel them with a loud report, like the crack of a pistol. Hence the fruit is sometimes called the "monkeys' dinner bell."

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A London Writer Tells of His Strange Experience in Paris.

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