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EXCURSION TICKETS TO PENNSYLVANIA STATE FAIR AND NOVELTIES EXHIBITION. The annual fair of the Pennsylvania Agricultural Society will be held in Philadelphia from September 23 to October 14, and the Novelty Exhibition of the Franklin Institute will be opened on Sept. 15, continuing until October 31st.

The State Fair, held on the grounds of the society near the Germantown Junction station of the Pennsylvania Railroad promises to be the most successful event of the kind ever held in Philadelphia.

The Novelty Exhibition, as its title implies, is designed to be an exposition of all that is new in the field of mechanics, electricity, and industrial science. The exhibition will embrace a large and comprehensive display of machinery and appliances, illustrating the progress and advancement in electrical and other sciences.

For the benefit of visitors the Pennsylvania Railroad will sell excursion tickets from September 23 to October 14th, inclusive, to Philadelphia from all stations on the Philad. & Erie Division and from all stations on the Northern Central, R. R. between Hanover Junction and Troy, Pa., both inclusive, at a liberal reduction from the regular rates.

"WHAT SHALL WE DO WITH OUR DAUGHTERS?"

This question is asked by a well known lady lecturer. Well, we can do a great many things with their health, and not let them run down and become feeble. For the feminine ailments, which may be summed up in one word—debility, we have a sovereign remedy in Brown's Iron Bitters, which has done much good.

A sad affair occurred about one mile south of Ramey, Clearfield county, Pa., Monday afternoon, 14. Two brothers, Henry and Wm. McGowan, in company with three or four men or large boys, were discovered in an orchard belonging to Samuel Whiteside.

Wolf, who fired the fatal shot, claims that these other parties, had been in the habit of stealing his apples and claims to have warned them to leave before he fired. His friends say that he also sent his wife to the orchard and told her to invite them to the apple and he would give them all the apples they wanted, for which act of kindness she was insulted.

A WALKING SKELETON.

M. E. Springer, of Mechs nicsburg, Pa., writes: "I was afflicted with lung fever and abscess on lungs, and reduced to a walking skeleton. Got a trial bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, which did me so much good that I bought a dollar bottle. After using three bottles I found myself once more a man, completely restored to health, with a hearty appetite, and a gain in flesh of 49 pounds."

CURTIN M'CLAIN TO HANG.

The Board of Pardons met the other day and refused to interfere in the case of Curtin M'Clain, no nothing remains now but for the Governor to sign the death warrant and the doomed man to prepare to meet his fate.

THOUSANDS SAY SO.

Mr. W. T. Atkins, of Girard, Kansas, writes: "I never hesitate to recommend your Electric Bitters to my customers; they give entire satisfaction and are rapid sellers." Electric Bitters are the purest and best medicine known, and will positively cure kidney and liver complaints, purify the blood and regulate the bowels.

A Huntingdon man has discovered amid the solitudes of Jack's mountain a hermit, one Calvin Shontz, who has passed a half a century in a cavern, refusing to hold any communication with his fellow men, because in early youth his brother had married the girl whom he loved.

When symptoms of malaria appear in any form, take Ayer's Agree Cure at once, to prevent the development of the disease, and continue until health is restored, as it surely will be by the use of this remedy. A cure is warranted in every instance.

Children often need some safe cathartic and tonic to avert any approaching sickness. Simmons' Liver Regulator will relieve colic, headache, sick stomach, indigestion, dysentery and the complaints incident to childhood.

THE PRESERVATION OF FORESTS.

A correspondent suggests that as a message of preserving our trees the taxes on growing timber land should be reduced or removed entirely. It is doubtful if this would be practicable. It would be difficult to persuade the Legislature to take any action in this direction, and even if taxes were removed from all growing timber land it would not prevent the destruction of trees. The owners of timber land have been told many times over that the preservation of forests is not only advisable for sanitary purposes, but that timber land is a positive source of income.

STRANGE WAGERS.

The London swells are the most inveterate betters in the world. Time hangs so heavy on their hands that in the excitement of uncertainty they find a grateful relief. A curious bet was made in one of the London clubs, some years ago, that will doubtless point a moral.

Another peculiar bet made in London was by a well-known barrister, for a large amount, that he would, at a certain hour, block Fleet street in the busiest part of the day, and at the narrowest point. Half an hour before the appointed time he took his stand on the opposite side of the street from an insurance office which had a large lion over the door.

People gathered around, and he told them that in the Book of Balderdash it was written that in half an hour that lion would wag his tail. Slowly walking up and down, and every few minutes taking a look at the lion through his glass, he attracted the attention of everybody, and the awaiting crowd grew every moment denser.

THE SACRED SCARLET COLOR.

Both in Italy and other countries the erotic images of the deities were painted red, and the traditional practice was, in some cases, long continued. It has been said that this practice was intended to please "the color sense," by which is meant that these images were regarded as pretty good-gays. This is not likely, and the true explanation is that the color red was sacred. All pristine creeds can, with probability, be traced ultimately to two origins. They are, in different disguises, the worship of the sun and the worship of humanity.

A cheerful face is as good for an invalid as healthy weather. To make a sick man think he is dying is to look half dead yourself. Hope and fear are as catching as cutaneous complaints. Always look cheerful, whether you feel so or not.

ST. PETERSBURG AS A SEAPORT.

St. Petersburg was found in 1703, and it was a leading idea in the mind of Peter the Great that it was to be a seaport. For this he selected a site on the shores of the Baltic. Although this has always been perfectly well understood, it has never been fully realized till the present day. Cronstadt has been the real port all this time. No vessel drawing over nine or ten feet of water could float over the bar of the mouth of the Neva and reach the capital; all vessels requiring a greater depth of water than this had to deliver their cargoes at Cronstadt. The goods were then put into barges, which were either poled or tugged up to St. Petersburg. All commercial operations were carried on at a great disadvantage under such a mode of operations.

MANUFACTURE OF INDIAN GRAVES.

So determined, indeed, are some of these fabricators of frauds, that the following incident is worthy of being published, to show the ingenuity they exercise in their peculiar calling. To discover an Indian grave is, of course, a red-letter day for archaeologists. Now, Indian graves are manufactured to order, it would appear. At least the following recently occurred in New Jersey: A Philadelphia Flint Jack secured a half-decayed skeleton from a Potter's field in the vicinity, and placed it in a shallow excavation on the waste bank of a creek in New Jersey, where Indian relics were frequently found.

NAMING THEMSELVES.

A Kansas farmer is the proud father of twelve children. As one after another comes to his happy household he is in doubt as to what the infant, when grown up, would like to have as a pronomen. He does not like to call his budding boy Joseph, nor is he satisfied with the common name James. His daughter, who has not yet suffered with her first tooth, he does not like to call her Deborah, but neither can he be content with the ordinary name Ann, or Annie. Annie is pretty, and so is Mary, and so is a number of nice little names like Emma and Mable. But the Kansas man will have none of these. He might name one of his boys "Leavenworth Titus," and others "Lawrence Cambodius," and still another "Achison Salpictus," and he might have one of his daughters "Olathe" and another "Alicia Wyandotte," but he won't. He will merely number his offspring as they appear at regular intervals, and let each select a name for itself when it reaches the years of discretion. A character is the Kansas farmer. And the names selected by his "numerical" children, when the time comes for each to choose his own, may be more absurd than any that he could possibly have bestowed in baptism.

If a man could be conscious of all that is said of him in his absence, he would probably become a very modest man indeed.

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