

THE TWO ANGELS.

Longfellow.

Two angels, one of Life, and one of Death, passed over the village on the morning broke. The sun was on their faces, and beneath the blue houses, heaved with plumes of white.

THE OLD WINDMILL.

The night was threatening. Piles of dark clouds were rising one above the other over the steep, lonely downs. Darkness was drawing fast over shimmering, leafless trees, with no moon nor star to pierce the gloom.

I was blown right over twice before I got back again." Tom was out of humor, as Maggie plainly saw; and he was angry with his father, boy as he was.

Two hours had passed. The gale was at its height, when Master Tom woke up with a start to find his father beside his bed, holding a candle with a hand that trembled visibly.

few paces down the hill with their light burden when a thundering, terrible sound made them pause involuntarily, and turn back towards where the mill had been.

When the Australian black fellow is pushed and can find no other game he catches snakes, lizards, iguanas and kangaroo rats, the wildest and most agile of all wild animals on their own ground.

MAY MAKE ANOTHER GREAT REPUBLIC.

In a fashion so quiet as to scarcely have attracted attention anywhere a new nation has been born to the great English speaking family.

The seven colonies or States of Australia have formed a Federal Constitution based upon that of the United States, and have changed their status from that of separate colonies to that of a great Federal commonwealth.

RECENT INVENTIONS.

A Few Odd Articles of Convenience Recently Invented. An inventor has just patented a paper vest. Paper, as is well known, is a non-conductor of heat.

THE IDEAL VEGETABLE COUNTRY.

In former years, the vine and the orange were the only culture that newcomers to Southern California would undertake.

WHO INVENTED ICE CREAM?

The first mention of ice cream that is found in history is in the account of the festivities following Washington's first inauguration as President, in this city, 1789.

CHINA'S GREAT BRIDGE.

The longest bridge in the world is the Lion Bridge near Sangang, in China. It extends five and a quarter miles over an area of the Yellow Sea.

HOUSE POISON.

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BEN AND MARY OUTWITTED.

A Joke that Ticked an Indiana Farmer Almost to Death. One day I was riding along a highway in Indiana when I came upon a pile of bedding and articles of crockery.

TRACKING SNAKES.

The Wonderful Hunting Powers of the Australian Native. When the Australian black fellow is pushed and can find no other game he catches snakes, lizards, iguanas and kangaroo rats.

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THE PEAK OF TENERIFE.

Attention is being called to the fact that the peak of Tenerife at dawn cast upon the ocean a shadow that at first appears to be flat upon the surface, but that gradually seems to rise up until it is perpendicular, and stands apparently a reproduction in black of the real mountain which beside it is white and glowing in the sunlight.

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