

COUNSEL.

By Henry Kendrick Schofield. You're blue Lad: Have things gone wrong? Luck bad? Then wake a song— No difference it makes If your lips are pinched and wan, It's the spirit of the song, the bravery it takes— And the sad old, gay old world rolls on.

"Le Passant."

"It's good to see you again, Phyllis," exclaimed Lady Elmsworth, as she held her sister at arm's length, and examined her critically, "but how you have changed!" "My dear Clare," laughed Miss Graham, "after five years' absence you surely did not expect to find me still all arms and legs and indecently big feet!" "Of course, it's ridiculous; but, somehow, I did not realize that you would be quite grown up."

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STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA. Latest News Gleaned From Various Parts. There was another victim added to its list by the alleged hoodoo motor in the Pyne Mine, near Taylor, when Michael Gorman was crushed between it and a rib of coal and instantly killed. Almost from the very hour that this particular motor was placed in the Pyne Mine it became termed "the hoodoo."

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ABOUT ANIMALS. Can a dog climb a tree? A correspondent writes: "While on a walk on snowshoes in New Hampshire we tracked a porcupine to a balsam fir, in which it had taken refuge. My Scottish terrier climbed the tree, pulling herself up from branch to branch to a height of about seven feet, where a space of bare trunk separated her from the porcupine, which had watched her progress with evident alarm."

Can an earthquake be "felt" approaching, as a shower of rain can be felt, and a fall of snow? On the Riviera in 1887 the horses laid their ears back and gave every sign of uneasiness. In Chile the birds have been observed to fly inland just before a convulsion. In Talcahuano in 1835 all the dogs fled from the city. These actions, of course, as a scientist who has collected a valuable list suggests, may be mere coincidences, for birds will fly inland and kittens become nervous when no earthquake is nigh. On the other hand, as the lower animals are singularly sensitive to any changes of weather and to pressure of the air, they may even be conscious of subterranean movements which do not come within human ken, or are even not detectable by the most delicate instruments.

One of the latest additions to the London zoological gardens is the frigate bird, which can float in midair and go to sleep, without the risk of falling. Its character is not very high. It follows fish-eating birds that have picked up a meal from the water and compels them to part with it. An attempt is about to be made to acclimatize the Austrian chamois in the New Zealand mountains. Eight animals are to be sent there this month. They have been habituated to the diet which will be necessary for them during their long voyage—New York Globe.

Fate of the Eagle. "War" eagles in unusual numbers have appeared in the neighborhood of Kaw City. The plumes and feathers of these eagles are highly prized by the Osage and other reservation Indians. "Shorty" Boyd, of Kaw City, killed two eagles last week and sold them to an Osage for \$16.—Kansas City Times.

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