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American Volunteer.

Rotation of Crops.

Every farmer has observed that after having raised the same kind of crops upon the same land, for several years in succession, the crops are less abundant, and decrease in quantity. Even manuring will not enable him to produce the same grain as abundantly as at first, though without it, he may obtain a full crop of some other grain or vegetable upon the same land.

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THE LAND OF DREAMS.

A might realm is the land of dreams, With steps that hang in the twilight sky, And weltering ocean. The clouds will be rigidly adhered to in every instance. No subscription discontinued until all arrearages are paid unless at the option of the Editor.

A Religious Courtship.

A young gentleman happening to sit at church in a pew adjoining one in which sat a young lady, for whom he conceived a sudden and violent passion, was desirous of entering into a courtship on the spot; but the place not suited a formal declaration, the exigency of the case suggested the following plan.

The Russian Empire.

To 1862 the Czar of Russia will erect a monument commemorative of the one thousand year of the Russian Empire. The nature of the monument has an imposing, venerable aspect. The government has always been the same, an autocracy; the administration has been various according to the character and fortunes of each ruler.

Circassian Beauties and Weddings.

I saw an ivory tressed Circassian at the house of a pasha, whose wife made a proud exhibition of the damsel. I was seated in a room when a heavy curtain fell, and my attention was attracted by the figure of a young girl.

Triumph of Mind over Matter.

Dr. Elder, in his interesting biography of Dr. Kane, relates that he once asked him after his return from his last Arctic expedition, "for the best proved instance that he knew of the soul's power over the body—an instance that might push the hard baked philosophy of materialism to the consciousness of its own irony."

The Almond.

The Almond is a native of Persia and North Africa, and is supposed to be a parent of the Peach. The tree itself so closely resembles the peach that they can scarcely be distinguished by the growth of the leaves or the wood.

Successions of a Party on the Plains.

A letter from the correspondent of the St. Louis Republican gives an account of sufferings of a party on the plains. It says: "On our way down the timber was very ill, and I was apprehensive that he might die before we reached Fort Kearney."

Miscellaneous.

DR. EVERETT AT RICHMOND.

After the inauguration of a Washington statue at Richmond on the 23d, a grand dinner was prepared for the guests of the city at the new Custom House, where the evening was spent both pleasantly and brilliantly.

The True Gentleman.

Such gentleman as a certain author describes in the following paragraph, are not to be met every day; and should any unmarried lady chance to find one, we advise her to secure him forthwith, as one of the most perfect works from the atelier of the Divine Architect.

India.

India is a country that has never belonged to any one nation. Two thousand years ago Alexander and his Greeks led dusky natives into golden fetters from thence to Athens.

Courage in Women.

There is a branch of general education which is not thought of at all necessary for women; and which, if they were, would be of the greatest use to them.

Treatment of the Hair.

We may venture on a delicate subject, perhaps, but the following brief extract from an old London magazine expresses our views too nearly to pass unnoticed.

Little Esther's Grave.

She died with the flowers, and we made a little grave beneath sheltering boughs, where the great oak wave, towering majestic above the ground, casts its shadow on the tomb.

Humorous Items.

"The cradle's woman's ballet-box. Yes and some of them deposit in it two ballets once. Now, isn't that illegal?"

Punch's Charge to the Jury.

The subpoenaed charge was copied from the London Punch about fifteen years ago. Notwithstanding the antiquity of the document, we consider it in some respects, a model charge; at least, possessing the merit of leaving the jury unbiased in their deliberations upon a verdict.

Largest Colossal Statue in the World.

The model of the splendid colossal statue of the Virgin Mary, to be erected at Le Puy, in the department of the Haute Loire, France, and which has been the subject of much talk the last year as the largest colossal in the world, was completed on the 21st of the present month.

Origin of "Humbug."

This word is said to occur first in Fielding's Amelia, 1751. One writer suggests that the corruption of the Latin Ambages; another that it is derived from a man named Hume, who, in olden time in Scotland, succeeded to the Dugie or Bogie estate, and was known as "Hume or Bogie."

GET A HOME.

Get a home, and learn to love that home, and make it happy to live and children by your beaming presence; learn to love simple pleasures, flower beds, and the rights of a simple domestic life.

CREATING PRINTERS.

An exchange says that a man who would systematically and willfully set about cheating a printer, would commit highway robbery on a crying baby and rob it of its gingerbread—rob a church of its comfortable pulpit, and then set it on fire.

THE QUEENS OF FRANCE.

The Dublin University Magazine, commenting upon the lives of the royal and imperial wives of France, states that there are but three in our history who have not been stained with the dark stain of sorrow or sin.

DANGEROUS AND UGLY NIGHTMARE.

A most singular occurrence transpired a few days since on the Baltimore and Philadelphia Railroad. Mr. Higgins, of Elkton, took the night train of cars for Baltimore, and began to doze.

AN ERROR'S AUDIENCE.

Whom are you talking to? Why, to a much larger audience than the best conversationalist ever could boast of, and to more than ever listened to him discover a month.

THE FRENCH WOMAN WHO WAS RECOVERED.

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