

A RHYME OF THE MISSISSIPPI.

Rhyme on, rhyme on in ready flow. Rhyme on, oh rhymers, ever so true. The story of thy love is sweet. The stars stand listening to know.

THE HOME LIFE SLIPPING AWAY.

New York's Young Men and Women—Drifting into Apartments—Mystery. We are still nothing if not English in New York. Our young men affect clothes which are ill-fitting and ugly in color; they walk with heads forward and elbows out, and carry their sticks as if in constant fear of their premature discharge.

With Toothpicks Between Their Teeth. I don't know why it is offensive for a man or woman to carry a toothpick in the mouth any more than I know why soup should be taken from the side of a spoon or that the fork alone must be used in the transportation of food from the plate to its destination.

King Alfonso Getting in a Bad Way. Apropos of King Alfonso, I hear that his health is seriously undermined. He is undoubtedly a consumptive and will probably spend the coming winter on the Riviera.

The Cubans an Interesting People. I have never seen a Cuban with a dumb face or an uninteresting eye. This man is a dandy. He wears jewelry like a woman, and like a woman is. He pinches his feet into agonizing shoes.

At Last Got Down to Steady Work. As she sat on the steps one Sunday evening he claimed the right to a kiss for every shooting star. She at first demurred as became a modest maiden, but finally yielded.

Skulls of Serbian Heroes. Twenty years ago Belgrade was bombarded by the Turks, who held the citadel, and the heads of the Serbian heroes who had struggled for the independence of their country for the space of nearly half a century were set on poles and lined the public promenade, the Kalligmedan.

Industrial Attractions at Hoboken. Six hundred foreign-made silk looms, operated by foreign hands and run by foreign capital, will soon be one of the chief industrial attractions at Hoboken.

STUDY OF HUMAN COUNTENANCES.

What the Ancient Philosophers and Astrologers Observed—Signs of Character. Among the questions which ancient philosophers found worthy of their discussion was one which at the first glance appears trivial. It was: Why does one man differ from another in personal appearance? It was noticed that as certain mental traits or characteristics manifested themselves, they were not infrequently attended by peculiar physical manifestations.

THE LINES OF THE FOREHEAD. The astrologers judged of the temperament by the lines of the forehead, the length, depth, straightness and general appearance of these being considered when forming a judgment. The lines when complete in a forehead are seven in number, the upper one next in order below the line of Saturn, Mars, the Sun, the Moon, Mercury and Venus. When any particular line was long and fair, it denoted an excess of the temperament indicated.

MEANING OF NOSE AND EARS. A large nose was always a sign of much character of some kind, but what was determined by other characteristic marks. A Roman nose was a sign of a courageous temper and a disposition to face and overcome difficulties, while a more strongly aquiline nose was an indication of rapacity, the idea being evidently borrowed from the similarity of this description of beak to that of the eagle, the most rapacious of birds.

Large ears were always bad, the similarity between their owner and the donkey being supposed to extend farther than the ears, while small ears were always good. The lobe of the ear passing sensibly into the cheek was a sure sign of a thief and a liar, while an exceedingly sharp division between the two indicated honesty and candor.

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Seeds Germinating at Low Temperature. A German scientist has undertaken a series of experiments to ascertain the lowest temperature at which seeds are capable of germinating. He found that rye and winter wheat germinated at 33 degrees, barley and oats showed their cotyledon at 32 degrees, but the root did not start till 35 degrees were reached; Indian corn required 48 degrees; the turnip germinated at 32 degrees; flax at 35 degrees; the bean and lupin at 38 degrees; asparagus at 35 degrees, and the carrot at 38 degrees.—Scientific Journal.

Original of the Fabled Roc. It has been hoped that a few of the gigantic ostrich-like birds (Eryornis) of Madagascar, supposed to be the original of the fabled roc, might still be living; but a thorough search of the deserts of the interior of that island shows that this hope is unfounded, though the species no doubt existed within comparatively recent times.—New York Sun.

Civilization marches with a quickstep. A Sioux chief rides a bicycle.

Convinced.

Mr. U. G. King, foreman of the Lectonia Democrat, Lectonia, Ohio, writes: "Dr. S. B. HARTMAN, Columbus, Ohio, Gentlemen: Some time since, I had occasion to doubt the genuineness of most of the remedies that appear in different papers, and I turned to your wonderful PERUNA, and I was satisfied that it was so great that I determined to write to one of the many people that claimed to have been cured by this medicine, and accordingly wrote to Mrs. J. W. Reynolds, of New Lisbon, this county, and received the following reply: 'I received your letter this evening, and in reply would say that PERUNA, I believe, saved my life, and I can not recommend it too highly; for all complaints it is the best medicine in existence. It seems to help you as you swallow it. I would advise any one suffering from my complaint to take PERUNA, and be convinced. Yours truly, Mrs. J. W. Reynolds.' Now, that's her card, word for word, and as I am well acquainted with the lady, I do not believe she would lie. It is truly wonderful how your medicine does do good."

James L. Mooney, Prospect, Ohio, writes: "For the past ten years I have been suffering from constipation and dyspepsia, and all the evil effects that accompany them. I was treated by a number of doctors, all to no effect. I used several patent medicines, which did me no good, and about three years ago I was seized with a severe nervous trouble, and was obliged to quit farming. I thought my days would soon be over, but I was saved by your wonderful medicine, called the 'Ile of Life.' I at once tried your PERUNA and MAXALIN. They helped me right away. I used nine bottles of PERUNA and three of MAXALIN; and now I am quite well, and able to resume farming. I also had a little child which was attacked with a severe cramp in the stomach, we thought it would go into spasms. I used nothing but PERUNA. We gave it an injection of PERUNA and warm water, and gave it a teaspoonful of the medicine internally every half hour. It was relieved in one hour, and has not been bothered since. I have also used it with as good effect in case of croup and colds. I know that it is a wonderful medicine, and recommend it to all who are in poor health. The above statement I am willing to swear to."

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