

KIPLING IN VERMONT.

A Pen Picture of the Bleak New England Hills in a Blanket of Snow.

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SLEIGHING IN THE MOONLIGHT.

Enjoying Snowshoes and Listening to the Tales of a Woodsman.

A GLIMPSE OF MONADNOCK MOUNTAIN

(WRITTEN FOR THE DISPATCH.)

After the gloom of gray Atlantic weather our ship came to America in a flood of winter sunshine that made unaccounted exultation.

THE FARM HAND'S WINTER SOFT SOAP.

Winter life on a farm does not mean the comparative idleness that so much written work implies.

THE OVER-SUPPLY OF WOMEN.

There is a certain scarcity of men to make love with.

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left out on the snow, the austere school-house, and the people, the men of the farms, the women who work as hard as they, it may be, less enjoyment of life, the other houses, well-painted and quaintly roofed; that belonged to Judge This, Lawyer That and the New Yorker, and the powers in the giddy metropolis of 6,000 folk over there by the railroad station. More acutely still do you realize the atmosphere when you read in the local paper announcements of "chicken suppers" and "church socials" to be given by such and such a denomination, sandwiched between paragraphs of general and friendly interest, showing that the country side live (and live without slaying each other) on terms of perfect intimacy.

The folk of the old rock, the dwellers in the older houses born and raised hereabouts, would not live out of the town for any consideration; but there are innane people from the south-men and women from Boston and the like—who actually build houses out in the open country two and even three miles from the town, and the center of life is nearly 400 yards long and the center of life and population.

What Village People Know. With the stranger, more particularly if they don't buy their groceries "in the Street," which means it is the town, the town has little to do, but it knows everything and much more also that goes on among them. Their dress, their carriage, their views, the manners of their children, their manner toward their servants, and every other conceivable thing is reported, discussed and rediscussed in the town.

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how coons go to sleep for the winter, and squirrels, too, and how the deer on the hills, and the moose, and the deer paths that are called yards and are caught there by their tails when the deer have blundered into them, and an photographer their frightened dignity, it was all as new and delightful as the steady burn of the stove, and the snow, and the dashing silence of the woods.

A View of Monadnock. Beyond the very furthest range were the pines turned to a faint blue against the white, one solitary peak—a real mountain peak—rose above the rest, a giant thumb-nail pointing heavenward.

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WOODLAND MONARCHS.

Mighty Elms and Sycamores That Know Pittsburg's Founders. NATURE'S CHOICEST HANDIWORK.

THE MAN WHO PLANTED THE OAKS THAT MADE LITTLE NELSON'S FLEETS.

THOUGHTS APROPOS OF ARBOR DAY.

(WRITTEN FOR THE DISPATCH.)

GERMAN proverb says: "He that plants trees loves himself." An early and excellent illustration of this was Ulisses, after a 10 years' absence, returning home from Troy and finding his father planting trees. He asked him why, being so advanced in years, he would put himself to the fatigue and labor of planting that of which he was never likely to enjoy the fruit.

The old man taking him in a stranger, paused and gently replied: "I plant against my son Ulisses comes home." This old-time picture of contrasts between the Grecian father and son, also characterizes the frequent fact that "men seldom plant trees till they begin to be wise, said it, till they grow old."

The importance being recognized, the youth of the present time have in their power, in this matter of tree planting, to show that old heads may be carried by young shoulders. In these days of schools

which says: "Living in an age of extravagance and dissipation, he learned from this truth, that he desired that he should be remembered to posterity; that all is vanity which is not honest; and that there is no solid wisdom but in reality."

The Communion With Nature. If not of this gentle spirit, of whom beauty is more fittingly said that "the beauty of nature shines in his own breast," he is dead, there is usually a something in the love of trees and nature which seems to exert a refining influence upon the human heart.

Perhaps the most interesting of American books upon our native trees, for the general reader, is G. B. Emerson's "Trees and Shrubs of Massachusetts," in two series, illustrated volumes, published by Little, Brown & Co., of Boston.

A tree doesn't grow in a day. Forestry and perhaps a generous self-renunciation must have borne their fruits within the human breast, and he who is to do it must have the patience to wait for the fruit of his labor.

A Good Deed Is Its Own Reward. And yet, here as elsewhere, there exists the same old story of the man who has done a good deed, by which a good deed becomes its own greatest reward; very much on the principle of that inquiry of Emerson's, "Whether it is better to give or to receive."

A Scientist Cites the Case of the Southside, Pittsburg, in 1857. Cholera and typhoid fever are typical filth diseases that are communicated through air, food and water, and their origin is generally the result of ignorance, carelessness and uncleanliness.

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CHILDREN OF NATURE.

Goat-Skin-Clad Heroes Who Tend Their Flocks in Old Poland. ALMOST A RACE OF GIANTS.

ONE OF THE FEW PEOPLES IN EUROPE WHO DO NOT USE WINE OR LIQUORS.

THE GRAND HIGHWAYS OF GALICIA.

(CORRESPONDENCE OF THE DISPATCH.)

CHACOV, AUSTRIA, March 31.—There are two European Galicias. Each of these in their peasant life possesses great interest to the traveler. Spanish Galicia, comprising the Northwestern Provinces of Pontevedra, Lugo, Coruna and Orense, will ever hold for me the most tender recollections.

They became the "Gallegan dog" servants of all Spain, Portugal and Italy for half their lives, bearing inconceivable contumely, sacrifice and suffering that they may finally come back to their dreary crags and wild and almost sterile glens to the ownership of a little cabin, a tiny patch of land, and to the to them blessed right to lay their bones in the earth.

The other Galicia is less tender and winsome in any of its aspects. It is indeed less measurably more somber and tragic. It is Austrian Galicia.

Everyone remembers the history of ancient Poland; its line of warrior kings; its splendid and unwarred victories for Christianity over the Turks; its great unification; its final medieval heroic death; its final medieval heroic death.

To illustrate this, the ancient city whose population does not exceed 50,000 souls, contains 20,000 Hebrews. Lemberg, commercially the leading city of Galicia, has 60,000 Jews.

Practically, then, Austrian Galicia presents for study four classes—the Polish and Ruthenian peasantry, who, while theoretically free men, are in reality serfs; the Jewish slaves, the ancient Polish nobility who are either rich and good enough to live as regally in Berlin, London or Paris, or are poor and miserable.

These unfree tyrants are in every railway carriage or station. They accompany every coach. They dog the stranger from hotel to country inn, and are everywhere imperturbably effrontery. They enter the house at will; and by their godless presence sully every sanctuary.

Indeed in wandering through Galicia, I am not certain but that I would count the great Galician roads as the greatest of all blessings of all time to the peasant Poles. Their general direction has been governed by the course of the great chain of Carpathian Mountains which forms the Hungarian boundary on the south.

Away down in the southeast corner of Bukovina, ever against wild and unwarred Bessarabia and wilder Moldavia this great artery of Galician life and commerce exists, in full view of the world, as it were, through Kolomea, which has recently come into prominence from being the base of operations in the new Galician petroleum strike.

On this mighty thoroughfare, fully 700 English miles in length, are all the great market towns of Galicia; and despite her narrow railways which for the most part run parallel with it, past to and fro this day the most of the goods and products which the "circles" of Galicia exchange with each other.

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CARRIED ON A WAVE.

A Steamer That Stands High and Dry Two Miles from the Coast. THE VOLCANIC CRASH OF 1833.

PORTY THOUSAND LIVES WERE LOST.

(WRITTEN FOR THE DISPATCH.)

Tourists who visit Batavia, south of the great land we know as the Orient, nowadays are quite out of the fashion if they fail to make the passage through Sunda Strait, and see all that is left of Krakatau, and the vestiges of the ruin wrought by the terrible eruption of 1883.

There was just one man amid all that wild scene of death and devastation who was not overwhelmed in the common