

The Priceless Things. These are vulgar things we pay for, but they are stones for crowns of kings; While the precious and the pearl-eyes are unpriced symbolic things.

ten, bandaging his finger with his pocket handkerchief. "I didn't know that you cared so very particularly about your Aunt Grizel."

"My cheery?" said Aunt Grizel. "Well, I'm free to own that I think a deal of that cheery. But I don't know, Niece Arabella, how you came to hear of it."

And Mrs. Symington answered only by her tears. "There, there, Bella, don't fret," said her husband kindly. "Let the thing go for what it is worth. Forget it."

The Night-Wind. Once, when the night-wind whistled its wails, And shook the window-bars and roof, I heard the souls of battle-kings Drive by in clashing armor!

NAMING THE FATAL DAY. Guitaen Sentenced by Judge Cox—Receiving His Sentence with Calm. A comparatively small crowd was present in the Washington criminal court to hear Judge Cox's decision in the application of Guitaen for a new trial.

National Beverages. A sketch of "intoxicants," in a volume on drinks, by R. V. Rogers, just published, gives entertaining information of the multitude of sources from which in various lands the people have sought stimulants.

Mrs. Symington's Bargain. All women we are told have their weaknesses, and Mrs. Stanhope Symington was a china maniac, as are most people to some degree in this nineteenth century of the world.

"It appears to me," said Mr. Symington, discouragingly, "that this is a good deal of a wild goose chase, going far into the northern boundaries of Maine."

Corals Reefs. Coral reefs, said Professor Le Conte, of California, in a recent lecture, are peculiarly dangerous to navigation because of their rising abruptly, so that though the sounding line may show 6,000 feet of water within half a mile, the reef may rear its perpendicular wall for the ship's destruction.

Humor of the Day. A good prophet—One hundred per cent. "The simple utterance of joy is poetry," says Oscar Wilde. That settles it. We shall allow no joy in our family.

Shops and Shopping in Mexico. Shops and shopping, of the upper sort, in Mexico follow French or European traditions more than American. Precious titles over the doorway are adopted instead of a firm name.

How Webster Looked. Daniel Webster was born 100 years ago on the eighteenth of January, 1782. Nobody who once saw him ever forgot him. Of all Americans he was probably the most imposing in his appearance.

Graves in China. In every direction, as far as the eye can reach, little hillocks of earth, from three to six feet high, are scattered promiscuously over the country. These hillocks are covered with grass, now dried by the autumn and winter winds, and are the cultivated fields, makes one think of haystacks after a harvest of timothy or red-top in America.