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WHEN?

We'll read that book, we'll sing that song, But when? Oh, when the days are long. When thoughts are free and voices clear. Some happy time within the year.

LOVE AND WAR.

EARLY in the morning Judge Jesse Phillips, of Hillsboro, Ill., was a dashing and successful Union soldier.

He is now a steady-going and level-headed jurist. Judge Jesse was a practicing lawyer when the war broke out; that is, he was a lawyer, but he wasn't practicing a great deal.

Two years later, long after the thirty-day men became three-year soldiers, Major Phillips was promoted to the rank of Colonel, and one day, while the Ninth with others of the Government troops, lay in Corinth, Miss., a detail in force was sent across the line to Florence, Ala., with instructions to destroy some cotton and woolen mills in that city.

Among the numerous petty principalities of Germany is the Grand Duchy of Saxe-Coburg Gotha. The whole population is less than 200,000, and its very existence would be scarcely known, but for the eccentricities of the Grand Duke who takes pains to let his hostility to the reigning house of Germany be known on all occasions.

M. M. Cowley, a pioneer in the Northwest, who for many years dealt in furs with the Calispel, Spokane, Coeur d'Alene, and Columbia River Indians, and is one of the best informed men on all matters pertaining to the tribes in the Northwest, says that the Indians are dying off rapidly.

Some of the shrewd soldiers noticed that the handsome Colonel scowled at Billy Neal. He was a young man, but he was a real fighter.

Twenty thousand men marched up the hill, down again. The happy Major of Confederates gray had a hint that Phillips would rob him if he could, and so he had announced the wedding for a day later than it was really to occur.

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Who is your Major Falkenburg going to marry? demanded the Northerner. "Oh, a Miss Charity Blank, at Florence. She's a regular beauty, and a splendid nurse, and a woman in all Alabama," said the admiring Johnny.

Early Marriages of Royalty. A glance at the pages of history reveals the fact that early marriages have long been the fashion among earth's royal personages.

An Example of Scientific Serenity. Dr. Richey, the famous physician who died quite recently at Paris, gave during the course of the disease which carried him away an example of scientific serenity, the equivalent of which can be found only in the biographies of ancient philosophers.

Big California Dams. Some of the biggest dams in the world are in California. The Merced dam is sixty feet high, with a capacity of 5,000,000 gallons.

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WITH A SPONGING VESSEL

HOW AN IMPORTANT FLORIDA INDUSTRY IS CONDUCTED.

The Men Work in Pairs, a "Hooker" and a "Sculler"—Great Dexterity and Endurance Required.

ACTIVE life on a sparging vessel begins about 8 A. M. in fine weather, all hands being then called by the cook to prepare for the labor of the day.

The men work in each boat, and while one sails the "hooker" lies on his chest near the bow and closely scans the depths below through his water glass.

On noticing a valuable sponge the "hooker" signals or calls to the "sculler" to stop the boat, then takes hold of the long iron-pronged pole which lies in "chocks" beside him.

When a sponge is torn from its home and friends it is placed in its natural position in the boat to allow the blackish fluid called "gurry" to flow away, and to prevent the bunch from being injured in shape and texture.

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The "sculler" only uses one hand at a time and can rest that at intervals, but the "hooker" can have no change except to transform one form of arduous labor from his chest to his arm.

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SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL.

Parsley is poisonous to many kinds of birds.

There are 365 electric roads in this country. Only nine per cent. of all operations in amputations are fatal.

The Liverpool (England) Elevated Railway will be worked by electricity, using motor cars instead of separate locomotives.

An Antwerp (Belgium) inventor has patented a system of ventilation by compressed air, for use in the holds and cabins of vessels.

The heaviest freight locomotives built nowadays weigh 115,000 pounds and their tenders loaded weigh 64,000 pounds.

Dr. Valentin, of Königsberg, Prussia, who has met with phenomenal success in the treatment of typhoid fever, gives his patients all the water, milk, etc., they can drink.

The first ingot of nickel steel to be used for the manufacture of armor for the United States Navy was cast in a mold weighing fifty-six tons.

A Norwegian farmer has invented a curious lock in which the bolt is released by a stroke from a pendulum bob.

An intelligent pet dog owned by Louis Schmidt, of Camden, N. J., prevented him from committing suicide.

We are about undergoing an epidemic of heliotrope and the green tints; we are going to have it bad.

GOLD IN THE STARS.

A meteorite recently found contained gold in its composition.

Do, poor folks all over the earth! Have you heard it, the beautiful news, To relieve you from poverty's death.

Oh, you tellers with sensitive souls, Who are chained to a tedious grind, Now the burden away from you rolls.

Half a loaf is better than a railroad sandwich. Time works wonders. That is because he never does any loading.—Truth.

Nothing Like a Change: Since my return from the south of France I'm another woman.—Sarcastic Friend.

Billous—"I sleep in feathers, but I believe it's the feathered." Touffant—"What's that; look at your spring chicken—see how tough he is.—New York Herald.

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