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Ninety-one per cent. of the farmers in Utah own their farms.

Encouraging reports continue to come from the cotton manufacturers of the South.

The average time spent by the British House of Lords in the Nation's work, according to a contemporary, is fifteen minutes per day.

Australia is a country without orphans or an orphanage. Each waif is taken to a receiving house, where it is kept until a country home is found for it.

The new programme of public instruction adopted in France devotes more time to the study of English and less to the study of German.

In thirty-six State prisons in this country solitary confinement is used as a punishment, and in twenty the prisoner is handcuffed to the wall.

An English widower returns thanks to a choir for their sweet singing at his wife's funeral, "thereby cultivating and brightening up the dullness and monotony which unfortunately characterize a funeral service."

Russia has decided to spend a quarter of a billion in the improvement of her navy. This is a pretty expensive outlay in pursuance of a plan to keep the peace; but the leading powers of Europe are not stopping at expense.

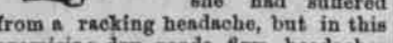
ON THE ROAD TO DREAMTOWN.

Come here, my sleepy darling, and climb upon my knee, And lo! all in a moment, a trusted steed 'twill be

RESCUED AT LAST.

BY HELEN FORBES GRAVES.

FORWARD, I see counter!" shouted the floor-walker. "Miss Garrick, what are you thinking of? Show these ladies heliotrope chiffon and be quick about it!"



Isola looked wistfully at her aunt. Surely—surely she could not intend entirely to ignore her! But Mrs. Pierson Garrick's gaze was wholly unrecognizing.

THE POSTAL GRAVEYARD.

THE WORKINGS OF THE DEAD LETTER OFFICE.

A System of the Postoffice Department About Which There is Always Something New to Be Told. THE infinite pains taken by this great Government of ours with even the most trifling interests of its 60,000,000 of people is most forcibly illustrated in the workings of the Dead Letter Office.

Poisoned Arrows.

Poisoned arrows have been in use since time out of memory. We have it on the authority of both Strabo and Aristotle that the ancient Gauls poisoned both their arrows and the shafts of their spears with a preparation of vegetable poison extracted from what is now believed to have been a species of hellebore.

Much Like a Man.

The Kulu Kamba is more like a human being, according to Professor Garner, than any other animal. The principal difference between the physical organization of a human being and that of the Kulu Kamba is that the spine of the gorilla is not so regularly jointed as that of a man, some of the joints having seemingly gone into partnership.

Remarkable Little Magnets.

A magnet which the great Sir Isaac Newton wore as a set in his finger ring is said to have been capable of raising 746 grains, or about 250 times its own weight, of three grains, and to have been much admired in consequence of its phenomenal power.

SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL.

The English language contains forty-one distinct sounds.

When oxygen is in a liquid state it is strongly attracted by a powerful electro magnet.

THE FIRST IRON BRIDGE.

The first iron bridge ever erected in the world, and which is in constant use at the present time, spans a little river to the County of Salop, on a railroad leading from Shrewsbury to Worcester, England.

Effects of Electricity on Lunatics.

It is said that when the electric current was turned on the circuits at Long View Insane Asylum, at Cincinnati, Ohio, for the first time, the sane patients were much affected.

POET AND PEASANT.

A poet and peasant, side by side, Together dwell within the self-same town;

The poet's fame was noted far and wide, The peasant's not beyond the township's bound.

HUMOR OF THE DAY.

The man who labors under a delusion works for a bad paymaster.

Anybody can see through people who make spectacles of themselves.—Dallas News.

The borrower is a good deal like pie-crust—he is very "short" and very sweet.—Truth.

When a man has no bills against him he must feel as if he belonged to the nobility.—Texas Sittings.

Eating one's own words isn't exactly a love-feast, but sometimes our friends enjoy seeing us do it.—Truth.

A man's worth and what a man's worth are, it frequently happens, widely different things.—Puck.

If a man gets up when the day breaks can he be said to have a whole day before him?—Minneapolis Times.

Sneezing is probably an effort of nature to force lazy people to take some exercise.—Milwaukee Journal.

Cholly—"Yas, we missed each other in the crowd." She—"That's just like her. She's always losing things."—Life.

A large part of the average hackman's success is doubtless due to his knowing how to take people.—Buffalo Courier.

Clarissa—"I owe you an apology, dearest." Fred—"Don't speak of it. I wish to remain a preferred creditor."—Pack.

"And do you ever invite your poor relations to visit you?" "O yes, indeed. You see they are all too poor to get here."—Judge.

"Bilken's is a strong face, or I'm no judge of physiognomy." "I thought to be. He and his whole family are living on it."—Buffalo Courier.

Mamma—"Aren't you home from school earlier than usual to-day?" Bobby—"Yes, mamma, I wasn't kept in to-day."—Harper's Young People.

"I wonder what this image represents?" "The god of humor, probably. Don't you see that it is full of little funny cracks?"—Indianapolis Journal.

"Why in the world do you want to get your daughter a violin, Jaggson? She is not musical, is she?" "Not at all; but violins have chin rests."—Judge.

Jinks—"I don't think it looks well for a minister to wear diamonds." Elkins—"Why not? Aren't there sermons in stones?"—Kate Field's Washington.

"I wonder how it was discovered that fish was a brain food?" She—"Probably by the wonderful stories that men tell who go fishing."—Chicago Inter-Ocean.

He—"Did you ever hear that Jaggson's wife speaks two languages?" She—"Yes. He—'What are they?' 'The one for company and the other for Jaggson.'"—Inter-Ocean.

"Now, what must I do with this wedding cake to dream of it?" asked a gushing damsel of a matter-of-fact young man. "Just eat it; that's all," was the reply.—Tit-Bits.

She—"Tell me, now, have your affections always remained constant?" He—"Can truthfully say that they have, though I admit that their object has often changed."—Boston Transcript.

Muggins—"Some people are never satisfied to know that certain things are so, but are continually wanting to know the why and whereof of it?" Buggins—"Yes, I wonder why it is?"—Philadelphia Record.

"It's bad luck," said the bad boy, "to give a person something sharp or pointed. I shouldn't be a bit surprised if young Mr. Jinkles and I were to part friendship after I leave this pin in his chair for him."—Washington Star.

Bar-tender—"Look here, crackers! That'll do! I've counted ten crackers and seven junks of beef you've eaten already." Hungry One—"They hire you to tend here, don't they? One lunch counter is enough—see?"—Boston Transcript.

Timid Young Author—"Haven't you read my poem too hastily? I'm sure, sir, it has some good features about it that you would see on a more careful reading." Editor (with a sudden suspicion)—"You are not trying to work off an acoustic on us, are you, miss?"—Chicago Tribune.

Penelope (triumphantly)—"I heard last night that Jack was head over ears in love with me." Grace (jealously)—"You cannot believe all you hear." Penelope—"No, but I should not wonder if there was something in it." Grace—"Why! Who told you?" Penelope—"He did."—Vogue.

THE BALTIMORE SUN'S TRIBUTE TO THE SOUTH.

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