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Russia is going to spend 10,000,000 roubles a year for forty years on a system of local railroads.

In Cleveland, Ohio, they have a machine for unloading coal cars, which will empty a car in just four minutes.

Statistics aver that since bicycling has become a popular pastime, the rubber trade, in consequence, has risen probably \$5,000,000 within the last eighteen months.

Besides the coal yet to be brought to the surface in Europe and America, it is estimated that there are in Japan workable seams containing 700,000,000 tons, equal in commercial value to Australian coal.

The programme of shipbuilding for the French Navy promises great activity. Forty-eight vessels are to be completed by the end of 1896 - viz: twelve are to be begun in 1895 - viz: one ironclad, four cruisers of different classes, one gunboat, four torpedo-boats, one torpedo-boat destroyer, and one despatch-boat.

Neill, or Cream, the prisoner who was executed in England three years ago, according to a recent statement of the Chaplain of Holloway Prison, had murdered beyond a doubt no less than thirty-five women.

The enormous extent of the forests, and also of the lumber industries, of the Northwest is indicated by the fact that this season Washington will make shipments of lumber aggregating 400,000,000 feet, Oregon 150,000,000 feet, and British Columbia 49,000,000 feet.

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A political situation that is probably unique developed in the little town of Acre, near Albany, Ky., a short time ago. It was the annual election of municipal officers, relating the New York Sun, and there were forty-two voters on the list.

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THE HEART'S SONG.

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THE CAPTAIN'S STORY.

A CAPTAIN HARRY Beaufort was a tall, handsome, middle-aged man, who traveled for a leading Chicago firm.

I'm going to stop off at my home this trip, I believe I'll tell you about my little Yankee prisoner. Let me see - retrospectively - 'it was in November, 1863, when our brigade - the old Stone's - was lying below Winchester, Va.

Well, I had been standing there perhaps an hour when I heard a thrashing and crashing in the bushes at my left. It seemed to me so much like the sort of a racket that an old cow, tangled in the brush, would make.

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THE MERRY SIDE OF LIFE.

STORIES THAT ARE TOLD BY THE FUNNY MEN OF THE PRESS.

Cried Waif in Vain - A Discerning Friend - Homoeopathic - Conscious Guilt.

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SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL.

Copenhagen, Denmark, boasts paper telegraph poles.

Alma Tadema, the painter, says that bright blue has a depressing effect.

Prof. Willis Moore, head of the Weather Bureau, is taking observations in the upper strata of the atmosphere with kites and expects to improve his forecasts very much.

The first fossil insect ever found in the southern coal field of Pennsylvania, according to Naturalist W. Victor Lehman, of Trenton, Penn., was sent by him to the Smithsonian Institute.

Ohio stands at the head of the States in clay manufacture, its product being valued at \$10,668,000, or over sixteen per cent. of that of the whole country.

Austria-Hungary has 174 paper factories, 120 pasteboard factories and thirty-four pulp factories.

The history of melodrama in the United States for the past twenty years has been somewhat peculiar.

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AT HOME WITH LOVE

I've built my nest In a little spot,

Let the world go by, With a little heaven for my nest;

Mr. Dooley - "Medical experts say that the uncarbonized kiss is deadly."

Half Back - "Scared a dozen people into fits yesterday." Chicago Bush.

Lady Teacher - "Children, you should always respect your teacher.

Frederick, I am sure you love me no longer. You are weary of me, for I saw you yawn."

Johnny - "What's the difference between a visit and a visitation?" Pa - "A visit, my son, is when you go to see your grandmother on your mother's side."

Willis - "I'd hate to be as hard up as Broker seems to be."

Lord Sackville West achieved fame by attempting to screw a small nut out of the people of Stratford-on-Avon for the ground on which stands the Shakespeare fountain.

During a recent thunder storm in Berlin an interesting effect on an electric train was noted at night.

Walking Made His Feet Bigger. "Well walking increases the size of your feet."