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Thirty-five per cent of the graduates from our women's colleges marry.

Seventy American colleges were founded between the years 1838 and 1880.

The population of Europe has increased 23,928,000 during the past ten years, nearly one-half the increase being in Russia.

At a time when the French dislike for England is strong enough to prompt France to consider an alliance with Germany...

Sir W. Foster, member of the British Parliament, speaking at a banquet at Derby, said that if they had Gladstone's clear vision...

In five years surprising changes often occur in public sentiment. In 1890 the representation of Sardon's 'Thermidor' was stopped in Paris...

Smoking out an obstinate juror is a new way of arriving at a verdict which was successfully tried by eleven good men and true in Hartford, Conn.

New York's philanthropic pawnbroker shop is a financial and moral success. It was organized to rescue the deserving poor from the three-per-cent-a-month money lenders.

One of perhaps many little considered ways in which the forests of the country are being eaten up is in supplying timber for railway trestle work.

The trolley car and the bicycle are credited with being mainly responsible for the remarkable fact, stated in the Department of Agriculture reports...

The 'old Dutch estate' fever is prevailing in the United States and Canada to such an extent that United States Consul Downs, at Amsterdam...

A BYGONE SUMMER.

A humble scene among the bygone summers. When limbs were round and maidens' lips were red. Among the grass the rhymes of insect hummers...

A HERO.

The dead of night there was a cry: 'Fire, fire!' Even in the great city, where thousands are at hand to render aid...

The mistress of the mansion, awaking at the cry, sprang from bed, and hurriedly began to dress, gazing around bewildered.

Suddenly, to add to the confusion of the scene, the chamber door was flung open, and a crowd of female servants rushed in, flocking affrightedly together...

At all once a man dashed into the room, with agitated face and dress disordered. Thrusting aside the terrified maids, he hastily approached his mistress.

The sight of his face had reassured his mistress. Juba was about her own age, had been born in her father's family, and had always shown the most devoted attachment to herself personally.

Juba, even while speaking, had seized her hand and dragged her toward the staircase. But now a gust of wind drove such volumes of thick, black smoke toward them...

doorway if she had not been instantly and forcibly detained.

The servants looked at each other in dismay. In the suddenness with which the conflagration had spread, and in the excitement of their mistress's danger, nobody had thought of the child.

The hall of the house was now all in a flame, the fire pouring out through the doorway as from the mouth of a furnace so that ingress by that path was impossible.

He looked around as he spoke for some means of sealing the second story. There was no ladder, and only one staircase, but the bough of an ornamental tree, that overshadowed the house...

How breathless were the moments that ensued. The flames were spreading with frightful rapidity. The eaves of the building began to smoke, showing that the fire within had reached the roof...

Millions of sparks, accompanied by volumes of rolling smoke, sailed down the sky before the fire, completely obscuring the heavens at intervals, though occasionally this calm moon was seen peacefully shining down through the rent...

Oh! it is vain, she cried, making a new effort to rush into the flames, 'I cannot find my boy. Let me go myself. For the love of God!'

Four of the males, comprehending his wish, stretched a blanket and rushed promptly forward. The sky was intolerable, but they disregarded it, and standing beneath the window, with the blanket outstretched, they shouted to Juba to throw the child down to them.

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The returns from the sale of the product of a single grapefruit tree in the Terra Ceia Island grove, near Bradenton, are given in a late issue of the Manatee River Journal.

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human figure began to emerge, crawling painfully on hands and knees. A human figure, yet crushed almost out of the shape of humanity, but still with life in it, for it moved.

Not words of pain, but words of joy. Words such as the martyrs used at the stake. 'Fallujah! Hallelujah!'

A Meteor When in Business. We owe our immunity to our atmosphere, which serves as a bullet-proof cuirass for the world.

Only a very large one can descend, as that of Madrid is said to have done, to within twenty miles of the earth before being burst by the expansion due to heat and by the resistance of air.

Reading Finger Prints. By a combination of the Bertillon method of measurement with the finger print system any prisoner can be identified with almost absolute certainty and in a very short space of time.

A specimen directory of 300 sets has been given, together with numerous finger prints. The method of obtaining the prints is to press the thumb or finger upon a plate of copper which has previously been coated with a very thin film of printer's ink.

The inked fingers are then pressed or rolled upon the card which is kept as a record. Although finger prints have been used as a sign manual from the earliest times, yet it is only recently that they have been studied from a scientific point of view, and the evidence accumulated is as yet insufficient to enable us to realize their value to the anthropologist.

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THE MERRY SIDE OF LIFE.

Correct—Heartless—How It Happened—Delays Are Vexatious—A Good Thing, Etc., Etc.

'Where was the Magna Charter signed?' asked the teacher. 'Please, sir, at the bottom.'—Philadelphia American.

Jazbey.—'What's a good thing for rheumatism?' 'Chimley.—'You seem to be; you're always complaining of it.'—Rockbury Gazette.

George (hesitating).—'But, darling, if we clope will your parents ever forgive us?' 'Ethel.—'Yes, dear, if we're not too long about it.'—Pack.

Visitor.—'How do you come to have so many Chinese figures?' Hostess.—'Oh, at the time of my wedding there was a sale of them, and these are all wedding presents.'—Boston Transcript.

Johnny.—'May I wake the baby, mamma?' Mamma.—'Why do you want to wake the baby?' 'Johnny.—'So's I can play on my drum.'—Judge.

Doctor.—'I don't think that boil on your nose is a very serious matter, but you had better keep your eye on it.'

Faddy.—'So Gaddy is dead?' Duddy.—'Yes, poor fellow, he has gone to his reward at last.'

Actress (taking the leading character in a tragedy).—'Where can my mother be?' 'Voice from the Gallery.—'She is sitting in the Konigsplatz, selling apples.'—Fliedgenc Blaetter.

She.—'It is all so nice for you to go down to the club to break the monopoly and all that sort of thing, but where do I come in?' 'He.—'You get your share in getting rid of me for a while.'—Cincinnati Enquirer.

'Miss Cayenne is a very bright young woman,' he remarked, admiringly. 'Does she say clever things?' 'Better than that. She sees the point when somebody else says them.'—Washington Star.

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Dolly Swift.—'I just met Miss Thirtymuth, and she told me, as proof of her popularity, that two men called on her at the same time last night.'

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SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL.

The hardest precious stone, after the diamond, is the ruby. Professor Scripture, of Yale, has invented a machine for measuring hallucinations.

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The difficulty of working has steadily increased, while the average value of the ore has steadily increased. The gold-bearing beds of the Transvaal are not difficult of access nor expensive to work. They lie in a curiously regular fashion, resembling gold beds much more than the general run of gold-bearing veins.

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THE TWO TIDES.

In a vast tidal-wave of rocky light The morning breaks on the receding shore, Where sounds the swelling, multitudinous roar.

The bicycles used in the French Army each have an electric light which can be turned on or off at will. In the normal state a dog executes twenty to thirty respiratory movements a minute, but while he is excited or running in the heat of the sun this increases to 300 or 350.

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