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The number of native Hawaiians today is about 32,000. In 1778 Captain Cook estimated the population of their islands at 400,000.

Edouard A. Martel, a bright young lawyer of Paris, has started a new science. He calls it speleologie, or the science of caves.

Dr. Arthur Mac Donald, the Washington criminologist, wants every man, woman and child in the country measured on the Bertillon system.

A London journalist reveals why Sir Henry Irving plays in America: "These visits to the United States," he says, "are very profitable, and they enable Irving to spend money lavishly in England on productions which would not of themselves pay well enough."

A New England newspaper is seeking the origin of the barbarous word "shampoo." It can find it in the Japanese dictionary, meaning "cleaning the human scalp by washing and rubbing."

There is a woman in Milpitas, relates the San Francisco Argonaut, the victim of several crushing sorrows, who has a novel cure for despondency, indigestion, insomnia and kindred ills. It is unpatented. She determined one day to throw off the gloom which was making life a burden in and about her, and established a rule that she should laugh three times a day whether occasion presented or not.

Harold Frederic, the London correspondent of the New York Times writes: Both in England and on the Continent we are likely to hear a good deal that is unpleasant this winter about the cost of bread. The recent advance in the price of wheat has been seized upon by bakers everywhere as warrant for an advance amounting to a cent on the four-pound loaf, and they let it be understood that a further rise is not improbable if wheat continues to go up.

The New York Herald exclaims: So it seems that the bicycle is willing to lend itself to almost every purpose of the rider thereof, good and bad. It furnishes one with the best kind of exercise in the open air and creates an astonishing appetite. It recreates the digestive organ, fills the lungs with ozone and gives the owner a brighter and more cheerful outlook.

It was not difficult to understand how she had won her name among the villagers of "La Tarantola." You have read of the ancient superstition that one bitten by that hateful spider must dance deliriously until relieved by death.

WIND WISDOM.

The little bird pipes, The little bird peeps, And the little bird preens his wings; He settles himself on a bending bough, And this is the song he sings: "Sing ho, merry men; Sing ho, merry men; The world is a glad old place, If you meet its glance with a bold, brave air There's an answering smile on its face!"

LA TARANTOLA.

BY CHAS. S. HILDRETH.

HAVE you ever seen a tarantula? Not the small, comparatively harmless insect of the Southwest so labeled—and libeled—in your collections. I mean the genuine tarantula of the tropics, a monster as large as a silver dollar, covered with hair as long as a young kitten's and with legs as thick as slate pencils.

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THE MERRY SIDE OF LIFE.

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

A Tragedy to Her—In Doubt—What More Could He Do?—Wouldn't Feel at Home, Etc., Etc.

She sweetly bears the burden, That's kill man were they his; Yet she dies quite all to pieces, If her hair gets out of kink.

WHAT MORE COULD HE DO? "You should have done more of an eye to the future, Jack."

IN DUBT. She—"Do you intend to go abroad on your wedding trip when you get married?"

WOULDN'T FEEL AT HOME. Clergyman—"Madam, be consoled, by the thought that your husband has gone where there is no night."

ONLY HIMSELF TO BLAME. Barber—"You don't need any shave."

WAGUE. Mack—"What do you think of Scribblers' new book?"

A CHARACTER STUDY. Mrs. Gableton—"How clearly one can read character from a portrait!"

A LOST OPPORTUNITY. First Dime-Novel Reader—"I missed the chance of my life last night."

HE MUST LIVE. "Why have you charged me twice as much for burying my second wife as you charged for my first?"

WORTH KIND OF A CASE. "You look thin and careworn, Tadley," said the man in the russet shoes.

KEEPING HER WATCH IN ORDER. They were sitting chocolate at a cafe and talking of watches.

A DISCOVERY MADE BY M. HENRY, and communicated by him to the Academie des Sciences, states that he had had occasion one evening to place some glowworms for from half an hour to two hours upon a "properly-protected" photographic plate, and on developing the plate black and white lines were found which corresponded tolerably accurately to the itinerary of the subventral light of the worms.

A New Illuminant. A new illuminating gas made from petroleum has been produced in Germany, which, it is asserted, can be supplied of a quality equal to the best existing photometric standard at a cost of twenty-five cents per 1000 feet.

SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL.

Hollow shafting gains favor. There are aluminum duck boats. The Krupp Works have 1500 furnace.

There is a project on foot for supplying Lyons, France, with electricity by damming the Rhone at Jonage.

Dr. Max Hill, of Heidelberg, Germany, has discovered five new asteroids on photographs of the heavens. This brings the number of minor planets up to 423.

Over ninety-five per cent. of the vessels which passed through the Suez Canal during 1895 used the electric light, so as to be able to continue the trip through the great waterway during the night.

A new instrument, called the phenoscopes, enables the skilful medical man to hear the sounds emitted by all the organs in the human body; the heart, the lungs, the liver, etc., and discover if they are in a healthy condition or otherwise.

Professor Liversidge, of Sydney University, has made chemical experiments which show that there are over 100,000,000,000 tons of gold dissolved in the ocean water of the world if the rate of one grain per ton, which he found on the Australian coast, holds everywhere.

The mountains of the moon are immensely larger in proportion than those of the earth. The moon is but one-fourth the size of the earth, but its mountain peaks are nearly as high.

A twelve-year-old boy at Parma has just had his heart washed. He was suffering from acute pericarditis, and his doctor, using an instrument invented by Professor Riva, drew off the purulent serous matter in the sac, and then washed the heart and its serofibrin covering with a solution of sodium bicarbonate. The boy recovered rapidly.

Balloons were used in the recent German army manoeuvres. Each corps had a balloon handled by sixty men. Six gas carriages, drawn each by six horses, belonged to each balloon, and the unloading, filling and sending up took only fourteen minutes.

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The "Academy Headache." A new disease has come to the notice of the young art students of both sexes who are looking for a respite from labor. It is known as the "academy headache."

A well-known oculist has discovered that when it is necessary to direct the eyes considerably above the horizontal line a number of times a great strain is thrown upon the muscles which rotate the eye upward, as well as upon the muscles of the upper eyelids, which have, of course, to be correspondingly raised to accommodate the eye-ball.

A Discovery of Perpetual Motion. At Freeport, Ill., a new industry is to be started. On a quarter section of land an enterprising Keuss farmer will establish a thousand black cats and 5000 rats, on which to feed the cats, estimating that the rats will increase 15,000 in two years, their skins being worth a dollar each.

Sea Signaling by Flags. The flag to be hoisted at sea time in signaling at sea never exceed four. It is an interesting arithmetical fact that, with eighteen various colored flags, and never more than four at a time, no fewer than 78,624 signals can be given.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

THE ROSE AND THE THORN.

I seek my garden for the rose That blossomed in the early morn; But lo! the twilight glooms disclose A bud of all its petals shorn.

HUMOR OF THE DAY. Take care of the poor Indians and the poor Indians will take hair of you.—Texas Slitter.

"Is she rich?" "Yes, but she doesn't know anything?" "Why don't you propose?"—Truth.

Sho—"They may be married her for her figure." He—"That was quite natural." She—"Oh, no, it wasn't."—Pick-Me-Up.

A West Union man, after training a dog for several years, came at last making the dog do almost anything it feels like doing.—West Union Gazette.

Teacher—"What is the true test of greatness?" Little Johnnie—"To have your hired girl interviewed by reporters whenever you do anything."—Cleveland Leader.

Dura—"And now, Augustus, how do you like my new coiffure?" Augustus—"Weally beautiful, 'pon honah; makes you look thirty years younger, bai Jove!"—Standard.

Bess—"Why didn't you either accept Tom or refuse him when he proposed?" Kate—"Why, you see, we've got a philopson and I couldn't say yes or no."—Tale Record.

The Fiancee—"I'm surprised at you! I saw you flirting with her!" The Fiancee—"I swear, Fricelli, you are mistaken! Beauty has no charms—never had any charms—for me!"—Puck.

"This," said the stranger, pointing to the passing cortege, "is a very curiously attended funeral." "Well," said the resident, apologetically, "you see the deceased was a baseball umpire."—Waterbury.

"You don't make allowances for our boy," said the fond mother. "That shows how little we are appreciated," said her husband, as he finished drawing a check. "I don't do much else."—Washington Star.

Nell—"Miss Bionas uses French phrases in the most peculiar manner." Nell—"Does she?" Nell—"Yes, indeed! Why, at breakfast yesterday I asked her how she liked her eggs, and she said they were very chick."—Philadelphia Record.

Ab, radiant rose, with your grace so demure, Your beauty the eye and the spirit consume; But there still lurks the thorn. None would guess, I am sure, That you cost me a dollar and twenty-five cents.

Voice (at the telephone)—"Major, will you please bring your family and take supper with us next Sunday?" "I want to tell you that the telephone is a very good thing, but it is not in the present; but they can't come to supper as it's my Sunday out."—Boston Globe.

The Scaly Ant-Eater. An animal made of tin-plate, of the shape of an elongated tin cone, about three feet in length, which crackles and rattles with every movement, is one of the latest acquisitions of the Zoological Society of London. Its name is the pangolin, or scaly ant-eater, and it belongs to the same family group as the armadillo and platypus.

Moving a Running Factory. A remarkable feat which was recently accomplished, moving of a factory in which the machinery was maintained in operation is described in the American Machinist. The shop referred to is situated in Boston, and was moved to make room for the work being done in the elevation of the tracks of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad.