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A little fellow who was asked by his teacher what is the first step toward the digestion of food was not far out of the way when he replied: "Bite it off!"

The Supreme Court of the United States, in an opinion by Justice Gray, has confirmed the citizenship of persons born in the United States of Chinese parents.

The wonderful grandeur of this country of ours can be better understood when it is known that while the nation has just voted \$50,000,000 for war purposes, the City of Philadelphia now has a bill pending before its Legislature to devote \$70,000,000 for the purpose of bettering its water facilities.

Some philanthropic ladies have organized to help farmers' wives and daughters or perhaps we should say the women of the household on the farms, announces the Farm, Field and Fireside.

A Hindu conversing with a missionary society missionary in India, in answer to the question "Which of all our methods do you fear the most?" said: "Why should I put a weapon into the hands of the enemy? But I will tell you. We do not greatly fear your schools, for we need not send our children; we do not fear your books, for we need not read them; we do not fear your preaching, for we need not hear it; but we dread your women and your doctors, for your doctors are winning our hearts and your women are winning our homes, and when our hearts and our homes are won, what is there left us?"

Herr Bebel made some of the members of the German Reichstag excessively uncomfortable a few days ago by reminding them, in the course of a revolutionary speech, that they held very different views regarding absolutism fifty years ago than those held by them to-day.

The figures for the gold and silver production west of the Mississippi River recently compiled from reliable reports by the Wells-Fargo Company are interesting.

Table with 3 columns: State, Gold, Silver. Rows include California, Nevada, Oregon, Washington, Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Utah, Colorado, New Mexico, Arizona, N. and S. Dakota, Texas, Wyoming.

THE HEART OF THE WOOD. When grief is vast and mid its ache I long for sympathy.

Above my head the trees shall wave As if to soothe and bless; The little brooks where lilies lave Shall croon in tenderness;

The Regeneration of Judy.

SITUATED in a wild glen, through which the Crazy river flows and from which the mountains ascend abruptly, range on range, to the farthest heights of the Holy Trinity, is the Wachapi Indian reservation.

As a consequence Judy's mind was filled with suspicion and her eyes watched each movement of her benefactors with ceaseless vigilance in the effort to discover the secret motive of their conduct which she dimly fancied had some design on that mysterious thing, her soul.

Wachapi that Judy lived. The tribe to which she belonged had dwelt here for unknown years, beyond the memory even of the gray-haired Judy's grandfather, Comachsen, who was so old that his eyes and mouth were lost in the furrows of his face.

Judy saw him peeping in at the door and feigned sleep. Then Archie, after staring at her for a while, urged on by curiosity, made strategic approaches from the door to the bed.

And after this when Judy, with old Comachsen was fairly established in her wooden house, Archie came often to visit her and she gave him queer woodland treasures, things that boys love, such as birds' eggs and the skins of small animals, the rattles from a five-button snake and strings of wampum and red berries.

The child was unconscious from smoke and fright, but the doctor soon revived him and pronounced him no danger from his adventure. But when he examined poor Judy's injuries he slowly shook his head.

One day the government at Washington reversed its Indian policy and placed the agencies in the control of army officers, and a Captain Baynot was detailed for duty at Wachapi.

I had been at Wachapi about a month and summer was drawing to a close. The season had been unusually hot and dry and vagrant firs started by careless hunters and prospectors had spread in the bush.

THE MERRY SIDE OF LIFE.

STORIES THAT ARE TOLD BY THE FUNNY MEN OF THE PRESS. A Composite Photograph—A Pessimist—A Secret—Hint of the Future—Insomnia's Medicine Chest—Playing It on Them—An Indication—Her Aim in Life, Etc.

Her walk is a Golden Gate; On Wheeling her mind is bent; And we feel when we look on her charms, By Providence she is sent.

What is it? I said, staring at the captain's face, which had grown pale. "A tree has fallen," he replied.

What sort of a girl is she? "Oh, she is a miss with a mission." "Ah!"

What are you starting after that man for? inquired the bicycle policeman's friend. "He doesn't ride any faster than the law allows."

George, dear, you remember that lovely sideboard that was so cheap? Well, I've discovered a plan to make room for it.

What made you try to whip Gruffins for the mere general assertion that all the robbers ought to be in the penitentiary? I didn't see anything for you to get angry at.

You have called me a liar, shouted the angry citizen to the offensive citizen, "and you will live to regret that speech, sir."

You are leaving footprints upon the sands of time," they urged, with tears that would not be stayed.

Edith—"Mrs. Manne appears to be a regular iconoclast." Bertha—"Yes?" Edith—"You know she used to say that her husband was the idol of her heart?"

SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL.

Pneumatic pressure is used to operate railway gates by means of an air pump to act on each gate bar.

At sea level an object 100 feet high is visible a little over thirteen miles. If 500 feet high it is visible nearly thirty miles.

The right hand, which is more sensitive to the touch than the left, is less sensitive than the latter to the effect of the heat and cold.

An eminent astronomer says that for communication with the inhabitants of Mars we would require a flag as large as Ireland and a pole 500 miles long.

It has recently been claimed that iron ships with electric plants suffer rapid deterioration of their pipes having direct connection with the sea, due to electrolytic action.

A combined detachable ice-creper and heel plate is being manufactured, which has spring clips by which it is attached to the heel, a roughened rubber or metal plate fitting the under side of the heel when in use to prevent slipping on the ice.

A Southerner has designed a new resilient tire for wagons, which is made of an inner section of rubber tubing surrounded by a layer of rubber-coated linen or canvas and covered by a vulcanized, comparatively hard, rubber tube, which is in turn covered by an outer rubber tube.

Acetylene gas is to be used for the purpose of inflating marine buoys and floats, the dry calcium carbide being placed in a vessel in the upper portion of the buoy, to which a small quantity of water is admitted as it sinks, causing sufficient gas to generate to lift the buoy to its proper position again.

The falling sensation experienced on the descent of a vessel in its pitch or roll is attended by closure of the gullet and suspended inspiration. As a means of avoiding the resulting discomfort, Dr. Stocker, of Glasgow, suggests a control of this closure by taking a full inspiration with each descent—such a remedy, it is pointed out, having the further beneficial effect of diverting the attention from imaginings of seasickness.

"I cannot understand why it is," says a physician, "that when I order a cold tub bath for my patients, the temperature to be at sixty-five degrees or seventy degrees, they never can understand how they are to do it."

Do you think that Greek art ever tells us what the Greek people were like? Do you believe that the Athenian women were like the stately, dignified figures of the Parthenon frieze, or like those marvelous goddesses who sat in the triangular pediments of the same building?

A SONG IN TIME.

Life growing sweeter— In tenderer tone; Moving to meter, And dreaming of June.

Meadows rimmed over With daisies in dew; Carpets of clover And curtains of blue.

Gleam time and stream time— Past is earth's strife; Song time and stream time— Love time and life!

Little Girl—"Ma wants five cents' worth of dog meat." Butcher—"Bologna or frankfurters, miss?"—Judge.

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