

Home Reading.

THE TWO SHIPS.

Two goodly ships in gallant trim
Sailed slowly from the harbor's mouth
One northward veered through shadows dim

My lot was cast where artful blast
Swept the north-bearing craft afar
My love to tropic seasons passed

'Tis but the chance of circumstance
That parts ye now, as it should be
Have faith in Him who guides where glance

By silver coasts and fairy isles,
Through violet deeps her course had run
Still pointing toward the Port of Smiles

Our haven gained, we have no need
To tell the toils and hardships o'er
That swept us on with tempest speed

LUXURY THE CAUSE OF NATIONAL DECAY.

Frugality of manners is the nourishment and strength of bodies politic. It is that by which they grow and subsist, until they are corrupted by luxury—the natural cause of their decay and ruin.

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Looking at the stamp of the cap on it, he inquired the meaning of it, and when told, said in a contemptuous tone, "Take it away; I'll have nothing to do with a fool's cap."

A CURIOSITY OF NUMBERS.

The multiplication of 987654321 by 45 gives 444444445. Reversing the order of the digits and multiplying 123456789 by 45 we get a result equally curious, 555555505.

The following is a passage from a letter used as evidence in a San Francisco breach-of-promise suit: "If one atom of the deep, deep love I feel for you was scattered throughout the whole world, I could stake my life it will fill, if allowed to do so, the entire human race and thence will derive the word commonly used as love.

A Sacramento boy believed that another boy's shot gun was not effective at long range, and as proof allowed himself to be shot at from a certain distance.

A Chinaman, arrested in San Francisco the other day, was found to have on a coat of mail made of cloth, cotton batting and paper, thick enough to turn a knife or bullet.

A good example is the best sermon. A long life hath long miseries.

MOUND BUILDERS' RELICS IN IOWA.

The scientific men of this city are all agog over some mound discoveries just brought to light, and to-day on exhibition. They were taken from one of the mounds on the "Crook farm," three miles below this city, at a depth of five feet from the surface, covered with a stratum of white yellow clay.

One represents, evidently, a religious ceremony—fire worship. There can be traced some fourteen figures surrounding a fire, hands joined. On one side of the fire, within a circle, is a figure lying on the ground, supposed by Professor Pratt to be a dead body.

Another slab, six inches square, has three circles, one within the other, the outer one as large as the face of the slab will allow. Between the first and second circles is a hieroglyphic at equidistant points, corresponding to what would make the quarter hour on the face of a clock dial.

The members of the academy who have examined these last ephemerides are unanimous in declaring that they are the most valuable archeological specimens yet brought to light from the mounds in its neighborhood.

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Montrose, March 7, 1877.

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