

LOCAL MISCELLANY.

We are marching on.
It is no crime to be rich.
This is the mad month of March
The breezy talker is sometimes all wind.

Charity is sometimes a matter of publicity.

The sharper a man is the harder it is to flatter him.

The Republican State convention will be held on May 27.

The burglar takes things for granted, or any other old way.

Lending money and borrowing trouble are often synonymous.

Worry over money matters kills the rich as well as the poor.

Few men have more of anything than they want, except faults.

Even the strong arm of the law cannot arrest the flight of time.

Even the thermometer has been known to take a drop too much.

Lent is pretty slow, considering the fact that it is a fast season.

If it wasn't for curiosity there would be no monkeying with the buzz saw.

The busiest man is usually the happiest. And he is also the healthiest.

Grip is very prevalent in this community. Some of the cases are serious.

You can always tell a man of loud taste by his manner of eating a plate of soup.

The old saying that two heads are better than one doesn't apply to the head of the house.

The trouble with the fellow who knows it all is that he isn't satisfied to keep it to himself.

A flyer in the stock market often convinces a man that riches take unto themselves wings.

Hicks promises all sorts of bad weather for this month. Read his predictions in another column.

Some artists seem to paint for money, some for glory, and others just out of pure cussedness.

It depends on what you do after you are out of bed whether early rising is beneficial or not. The world would be better off if some people never got up.

It may be said that March came in like a lion. There was a stiff, cold wind and an occasional flurry of snow. Toward night the wind subsided but the air remained biting.

The public sale season is now on in earnest. It commenced early in February and will continue until the end of March.—The greater number of sales is held in March.

WHEN THE SPRING COMES BACK.

When the Spring comes back,
When the Spring comes back,
When the willow buds

Are swelling,
When the lusty frogs
Are yelling,

And unto each other telling
That the raccoon's on their tracks;
When the grass
Blades shoot

From each rain-
Soaked root,
When there's water
In the puddles

And the steer no
Longer huddles—
By the wind-swept fodder-stack—
O it's nice and warm

And lazy
When the air is sort
O' hazy,
And you see the bloomin' daisy
When the
Spring
Comes
Back.

When the Spring comes back,
When the Spring comes back,
When you hear the plow-
Man saying

Swear words at his
Team dismaying
While his work they are delaying—
Keeping trace and clevis slack;
When the young
Lambs bleat

And their swift,
Swift feet
Go careering
Over ditches

With the drolliest
Hops and hitches—
Such a foolish little pack!
O I'm glad as glad
And gladder;

For the shuffling shine
And shadder
Take me straight up Jacob's ladder
When the
Spring
Comes
Back.

—S. W. Gillilan, Baltimore American.

Merchant Wanted.

A man with some cash, who thoroughly understands merchandizing, to open a general store in Sallillo, Pa. Apply in person at once, February 25, 1903.

BRAINS SUPERSEDED.

Machines That Display Almost Human Intelligence and Make No Mistakes.

At the bank of England, says Chamber's Journal, they never by any chance get sovereigns that are overweight. All they have to do there in weighing their coins is to distinguish between those that are of full weight and those that have been in circulation long enough to wear away any appreciable quantity of the gold of which they are made.

The new coins at the mint, however, are sometimes a trifle overweight, while sometimes, of course, they are under; so it is necessary to sort them out into three categories—light, heavy and good. This delicate business is done, with unerring precision by a long row of clever little machines.

Into these machines single piles of shining new coins are put; and, quite automatically, the mechanism takes each coin, puts it into the scale, and in a fraction over two seconds—at the rate of twenty-five a minute—weighs it. If the coin is light the machine shoots it into the proper receptacle; if heavy, into another, and if it is of correct weight within a margin—or "remedy," as they call it at the mint—represented by a speck of gold worth less than a halfpenny, it is pushed into a third receptacle.

The work of hundreds and thousands of clerks has, within the past few years been taken over by a small machine, in appearance very much like a typewriter, by which columns of money in small or large items, up to £1,000,000 if necessary, are instantly added up with none of the risk of error to which even the most practiced accountants are liable.

The clerical staffs of many of the great insurance companies have of late years been considerably reduced by the employment of mechanical calculators. The favorite one appears to be a compact little affair, about the size of a musical box, known as an "arithmometer," which is the work of a German firm in Alsace-Lorraine.

By it may be formed almost instantaneously the most portentous sums in addition, subtraction multiplication by one or two factors, division, squaring and cubing.

It is required, for instance, to multiply 531,975 by 924. The first factor is set by touching little knobs representing 531,975. To multiply by the other factor you turn a handle four times, push along a slide one place and turn the handle twice, then push the slide another place onward and turn the handle nine times.

The long multiplication is now done without the possibility of error so far as the machine is concerned, and the dial shows 491,544,900. In the same mechanical way may be done all the other arithmetical processes.

CORNSTALK PAPER.

American farmers and newspaper men, says the St. Paul Pioneer Press, are very likely to become joint beneficiaries of a great scheme of co-operation in making the most of the corn crop. Not of the grain merely, but of the whole plant, stalk, leaves, pith, tassels, husks, cobs and kernels. After a long course of experimentation, carried on at Kankakee, Ill., under the encouragement of the National Agricultural Department, it is found that high grade paper can be profitably manufactured, in different varieties, from various parts of the plant. One kind is made from the hard shell of the stalk, another from the pith and a third from the husk. "From the pith is turned out the finest grade of oil paper, almost equal to linen paper," so it is claimed by experts at the department. A machine has been invented, and is now being manufactured, which will take the cornstalk, with the ear still on it, husk the ear, separate the husk from the stalk, and then remove the shell from the pith. Sending this machine into the fields, the paper manufacturers will propose to farmers to buy their corn crops as they stand in the fields. If the farmers wish the corn after it has been husked, it will be passed back to them; otherwise it will be marked by the owner of the machine, who will convert every remaining part of the plant into some form of manufacture.

FOR THE LITTLE ONES.

Birds of the Sea That Are Careless in Their Nesting.

Nearly all sea birds are far more careless in their nesting than their cousins who live inland. The terns, the skuas, the puffins, the black throated diver and the guillemot really make no nests at all. The puffins, however, usually borrow a rabbit burrow and are not particular whether its original owners have done with it or not. If they interfere or even try to pass, a peck from the puffin's great parrot shaped bill is enough to warn them against trying to experiment the second time.

The auks are birds of the northern seas and are perhaps the finest divers of all the feathered tribes. Their short wings look in fact far more like fins than wings, and, unlike gulls, the auks catch their prey beneath the water. The auk's selection of a spot to lay her eggs is very strange. She chooses a bare, broken ledge of hard rock overhanging the waves. It looks as though it were a feat to balance eggs in such a place, and the marvel is that the first gale does not send them rolling over the crags. But an auk's eggs are so shaped as to prevent such a calamity. They are much larger at one end than at the other, and instead of rolling straight ahead like a ball they turn around in a circle when started and so keep their places upon the rocks.

School For Dogs.

A school for dogs has been opened in the city of Paris. The object of the school is not to teach letters, but politeness. The school is furnished with chairs, tables and rugs. The pupils are trained to welcome visitors by jumping up, wagging the tail and giving a low bark. When the visitor leaves, the dog accompanies him to the door and bows his farewell by bending his head to the floor. He is also trained to pick up a handkerchief, glove or fan that has dropped and return it to its owner. He is taught further to walk with proud and prancing steps when out with his mistress.

Comfortable and Shaky.

A little boy was put to bed on a winter's night in a cold room. Undressing and getting into bed made him shiver; but, remembering that there were boys who did not even have a bed to sleep on, he expressed his gratitude by declaring:

"I'm so nice and comfortable and shaky that I can feel my teeth shake."

A Paper Top.

Who can make a top that will set itself in motion? Nobody? We will show you how it is done. Take a cork, a sewing needle and a square piece of writing paper. Place the cork on the table and fasten the needle in it, point up, find the center of the piece of paper by drawing the diagonal lines and balance it on the needle after bending two opposite corners of the paper, one upward, the other down. Now we are ready for the trick. Hold your hand close to the paper as shown in the figure.



WARMTH WILL TURN IT.

Before long the paper will set itself in motion and will stop as soon as you remove your hand. This simple mechanical effect is produced by the warmth of the hand catching the corner of the paper that we have bent downward, which sets the paper top in motion.—New York Tribune.

The Goldfish's Hope.

Said a sparkling goldfish to a trout
As they swam in the water blue:
"I often wish that my golden scales
Were of quite a different hue."

"I used to wonder, when I was young,
Why fishes were not alike;
Why the shad and the whale were not
The same.
And the salmon and smelt and pike.

"But now I am glad we are as we are,
For if we were all the same
I would not aspire to a different form
Or a vastly different name."

"But still I have hopes that I may grow
To a whale as the years roll by;
I do not know how they act or live,
But certainly I could try."

"My friend," said the trout, with a solemn air,
"Just listen to what I say:
You'd better become a good goldfish
Than a very poor whale some day."
—Marguerite M. Hilary (age 10) in St. Nicholas.

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