

SWEET POVERTY.

"I am glad I was born to poverty."—The Laird of Skibo. O blessed, long lost poverty, how sweet you seem to be...

THE SPELL OF THE MAJJI.

Her Majesty beamed over the coffee cups at the Boy. She had arrived in town unexpectedly just as he was about to start for their summer home at Daisyhurst...

"Oh, you are a clever girl!" said the Boy, smiling at Her Majesty. "Now, I think you'd better put on a gown and we'll go directly back there." "To Daisyhurst? Why?" "Never mind. There are some very mysterious things that you just feel. I just feel as though we had better go back to the inn and sit on the beach under your green umbrella."

happen. He said there were a great many things so mysterious that we just felt them. "Is Majji still at Daisyhurst?" asked the Boy, with terrible intensity.

POPULAR SCIENCE.

A German invention promises a new era in the production of lead pencils. In the new process of manufacture a composition made principally from the potato takes the place of the cedar in the pencil.

The highest tree in the world, so far as has been ascertained, is an Australian gum tree of the species of eucalyptus regum, which stands in the Cape Otway range. It is no less than 415 feet high.

October always begins on the same day of the week as January, April as July, September as December. February, March and November begin on the same days.

Experiments have shown that, as a general rule, Australian coals are not specially liable to spontaneous combustion, with the exception of those coals that are rich in iron pyrites.

The American Institute of Social Service has received from Berlin an exhibit containing forty-five specimens of different kinds of dust—mineral, animal and vegetable—produced in various industries.

From the Coypu, a South American Rodent that Resembles the Beaver. Along the river banks and in the lowlands of South America there is found a medium sized rodent which in many respects resembles our North American beaver.

More than 11,000,000 pieces of mail went astray in these United States last year because they were not directed even well enough for the expert to decipher the names and addresses.

It was at an Indiana hotel of some pretentiousness. A traveling man had had his order filled. With the meat and vegetables and other material was one tea biscuit.

Canada, like the widow's curse of oil, seems to grow with the using. One supposes there is an ultimate frontier somewhere between wheat fields and eternal ice.

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News of Pennsylvania

SIX TOADSTOOL VICTIMS. Physician Is Dead And Three Others Expected To Die.

Washington (Special).—Dr. Phillip Dinsmore, aged 50, of Deep Valley, one of the leading physicians of Greene County, is dead and his sister, Mrs. Jennie Evans, aged 40; his son, Thomas, aged 24, and Mrs. Evans' 7-year-old daughter, Opal, are dying from eating toadstools in mistake for mushrooms.

Coal Miner's Singular Token For Widow In Austria. Washington (Special).—A ghastly scene was enacted at the burial of Michael Bazecki, an Austrian coal miner, whose body was interred in the Independence Cemetery.

GROUND TO DEATH. Machinery Started While Two Men Were Inside Rock Grinder.

Three Generations In Jail. Milton Detectives Break Up Gang Of Robbers.

Concession From Street Railway. Scranton (Special).—Besides paying \$6000 arrears in pole tax, the Scranton Street Railway Company has agreed to contribute annually \$15,000 to the city exchequer.

Girl Tries To Join Navy. Pittsburg (Special).—Ella Doehling, aged 20, so loves her brother that she tried to enlist in the navy at the local recruiting station.

Ate Poison For Candy. Corry (Special).—Mrs. M. Flaherty, who resides one mile east of this city, was taken seriously ill, and Dr. Christie was called.

Made Insane By Remorse. Pottsville (Special).—Joseph Fehr, one of three men held for the murder of Joseph Popper at McAdoo, has suffered such remorse during his imprisonment that he has become insane.

\$50 For Heart Balm. Reading (Special).—Miss Alice Moyer, who sued David W. Brunner, of this city, for \$5000 damages for alleged breach of promise of marriage, was awarded \$50 by arbitrators who heard the case.

Coal Strike Averted. Pittsburg (Special).—At a conference of officers of District No. 5, United Mine Workers of America, and officers of the Pittsburg Coal Company, all grievances that threatened to bring on a strike of 14,000 men were amicably adjusted.

Brakeman Loses Both Legs. Bethlehem (Special).—In attempting to board his train here after a bursted air hose had been fixed, Harry Stewart, of Mauch Chunk, a New Jersey Central brakeman, stumbled and had his legs caught under the wheels, both of which were severed and which had to be amputated later.

Peary Buys a Marine Relic. Commander Robert E. Peary, U. S. N., has purchased for her Damaris schooner owners the ancient pinky schooner Mary, and will have her restored in an effort to perpetuate this vanishing style of craft.

Maps For Balloonists. According to The Aeroplane, it is proposed to supply maps specially prepared for the use of aviators, giving the position of the principal objects, such as the bends of rivers, factories, railway junctions, etc.

The recent hailstorms have injured the huckleberry crop on the Poconos and there is a scarcity of the delicious fruit. Prices are high.

Chester Woman's Tongue Made Life Unbearable To Neighbors. Chester (Special).—For the first time in this city the old blue laws relating to a woman being a common scold were enforced.

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