

THE NEED OF THE WORLD.

I know the need of the world, though it would not have me know. It would hide its sorrow deep, where only God may go.

I know the need of the world when it boasts of its wealth the loudest. When it flaunts it in all men's eyes, when its mien is the gayest and proudest.

I know the need of the world when the earth shakes under the tread of men who march to the fight, when rivers with blood are red.

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MAN'S NAILS GROW 11 FEET IN 70 YEARS.

Those on Middle Finger More Rapid Than Those of First and Third. A scientist has estimated that in a lifetime of seventy years a man grows nails which, if it were possible to preserve them uncut, would reach the length of seven feet nine inches.

Exactly on what argument this statement is based it is hard to say, for a little observation will show that during the greater portion of a man's life he cuts his nails on an average of once a week, and at each paring removes a sixteenth of an inch, or the equivalent of a quarter of an inch per month, working out at three inches a year.

This would give him a growth of seven feet six inches during the thirty years he lives between twenty and fifty, says the St. Louis Post-Dispatch. In the other forty years, when the growth is less rapid, he would certainly produce four feet of nails, so that eleven feet is a better average for the nail producing capacity of a man.

It should be noted, however, that the growth of the nails on the right hand is, in most people, more rapid than those on the left hand, and it may be that the scientists in question has based his argument on the slower growth of the left hand nails.

Another curious point is that the rate of growth of the nails depends directly on the length of the finger; thus, the nails on the two middle fingers of men grow more rapidly than those on the first and third fingers, respectively, and these in turn are more speedy in the growth than those on the little fingers.

Coyote Hunt in an Auto. Coyote hunting in an automobile since the success of G. A. Maxwell and party, promises to become a highly popular sport in Colorado. Mr. Maxwell, accompanied by Charles Petree, of Denver, and C. C. Hildebrand, of Chitopee Falls, Mass., left Denver at 7:10 in the morning, started over the plains to the eastward, and by 8:30 o'clock had bagged one coyote. Forty minutes later another fleetfooted animal had been run down, and by 9:30 still another had been bagged.

By this time the party was twenty miles from Denver, and satisfied with the success of the hunt, returned to the city with the three fine trophies, the skins of exceptionally large coyotes.

Some of the animals led the machine for a nice run of two miles at a rate of about forty miles an hour before the dogs that were taken along were turned loose to finish the work.—Denver Republican.

Quite Safe With Her. "John, love," said the young wife, "you ought not to have any secrets from me."

PENNSYLVANIA

Interesting Items from All Sections of the Keystone State.

GREATER CONNELLSVILLE. Planning to Take in New Haven and to Apply for City Charter. Unless present plans fall the census of 1910 will list Conneltsville as having double the population the 1900 report gave it.

Washington.—The Bank of Coal Center, at Coal Center, was closed by order of Commissioner of Banking John Berkey.

West Newton to Be Brought into Connection With Pittsburgh. Announcement was made by R. W. Hervey, secretary-treasurer of the recently incorporated Donora-Eldora Street Railway Company, that the concern's rights of way have been sold to the Pittsburgh, McKeesport & Westmoreland Railway Company.

Washington.—Leaving the Washington hospital after learning his wife could not live more than an hour, Michael Bigler, went to the postoffice, where he was a clerk, borrowed a revolver and going to the cellar of his home, shot himself in the head. Death was instantaneous. His body was found several hours later. His wife died at the hospital at about the same hour. Bigler is thought to have killed himself.

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THE SOCIALISTS IN AMERICA.

What They Believe and What They Have Gained. That eminent Socialist, Charles Edward Russell, has some particularly interesting things to say in Hampton's Magazine. For instance, speaking of the growth of the movement in America, he declares:

The first appearance of a Socialist party in the United States was in 1892 when Simon Wing was nominated as the Socialist candidate for President. These figures of the Socialist votes cast at Presidential elections show the growth of the movement:

Table with 2 columns: Year, Votes. 1892: 21,164; 1896: 36,274; 1900: 87,814; 1904: 402,283; 1908: 614,000.

The vote of 1904 was a very misleading indication of Socialist strength since it comprised the votes of many thousands of radical Democrats who were disgusted with the nomination of Judge Parker and with the defeat in the national convention of the radical element of the party.

All the more remarkable this growth seems because it has been made in the face of intense and unremitting opposition from all the influential agencies in the country—press, pulpit and public officers; it has not had even the assistance of a fair statement of Socialism's objects in the public prints; and it has been obliged to combat the full strength of the prejudice to which I have previously referred.

And what is, in fact, this terrible monster that thus causes the cheek of statesmanship to pale and shakes with terror so many hearts of valor approved upon the battlefield and the hunting ground? Also just what is this movement that in our own times has arisen from nothing to such a commanding position in the world?

What is this Socialism that has won so many millions in so many lands to its support, and continues day by day to win others?

All men are brethren, not merely brethren in name but brethren in fact, with a common blood, common destiny, common interests, common cause. The welfare of one of us is the brotherly concern of all of us, and being brethren, all war and strife and hatred should cease.

The things that men need in common should be owned in common and supplied for the common good, not for private profit; there should not be private ownership and control of other universal necessities any more than there is private ownership of air.

BANK PUTS UP SHUTTERS

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OFTEN THE CASE.

Women Struggle Hopelessly Along, Suffering Backache, Dizzy Spells, Langour, Etc. Women have so much to go through in life that it's a pity there is so much suffering from backache and other common curable kidney ills.

Doan's Kidney Pills brought me prompt relief. Sold by all dealers. 50c. a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

Once An Infant, Always. In this country every industry is an infant industry until it is dead. That is the doctrine of those who are arguing for the continuance of duties on iron and steel.

Banking Growth. It is exactly 127 years since the first bank in the United States opened its doors in Philadelphia. Today there are 6,855 national banks, with a paid-in capital of \$921,000,000.—New York Journal of Commerce.

Breaks a Cold Promptly. The following formula is a never failing remedy for colds: One ounce of compound syrup of Sarsaparilla, one ounce Toris compound and half pint of good whiskey; mix and shake thoroughly each time and use in doses of a tablespoonful every four hours.

TAMING A RIVER. The Erratic Susquehanna Has At Last Been Harnessed. Although with the exception of the St. Lawrence river it is the largest stream flowing into the north Atlantic, the Susquehanna river has never been renowned for anything but scenery and trouble.

WIFE WON'T SUPPORT HIM. Husky Citizen Considers Beating Due to Helpmeet. Greensburg.—Turn about is fair play; I provided for my wife heretofore, and it's her turn to take care of me.

Division Abolished. Officials of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will announce shortly the abolishment of the middle division of the Pennsylvania railroad. This is one of the three divisions of the road as first built and embraces that part of the line between Harrisburg and Altoona.

Lived to Be Ninety-Eight. Waynesburg.—Mrs. Elizabeth Mariner, 98 years old, the oldest woman in Greene county, died in Gilmore township. Mrs. Mariner had always resided in this county, and was active until a few days before her death.

THE BLIND MUSICIAN OF DAMASCUS.

Musa played presently, and I listened, engaged, but not comprehending, until the light began to fail in the little room. And as he played, he talked with the Interpreter—

"It is a pretty story of his childhood," said the Interpreter, when Musa had fallen silent. "I will tell it to you."

I heard then the story of the canon and the angel, which pleased me very much.

"Long ago," the Interpreter began, when this old Musa was a little child, his mother was unkindly disposed toward him because he was blind.

"What is the use of a blind boy, who must forever consume, but contribute nothing?" she would say. "I had rather have a seeing girl than a blind boy," she said; "and I had rather have neither than either."

"Musa walked out, feeling his way along the walls, careful of the hoofs and teeth of the donkeys and camels, and came presently near the corner of the Long Bazar, where, strangely, he was arrested by sweet tinkling sounds. These he had never heard before—no music, as he has told me; neither oud nor canon.

"What is this?" he demanded. "It is a canon," was the answer; and thereupon the man explained the manner of its playing and all the business of music.