

The Waste of the Wind.

Every one who wants a cheap motive force has tried to harness the wind. Every child has made a paper propeller or a windmill. But can it be said that the possible uses of the wind have been as ardently investigated as such recently discovered forces as steam and electricity and gases? Is it not conceivable that the practical uses of the wind are underestimated just because they are so familiar?

We cannot help thinking that the wind will be more variously employed some day in the same way that probably the problem of laying under contribution the great physical fact of the tides will be solved. One would think that the wind could be used for electric lighting, yet there is no practical apparatus for the purpose. True, the wind is variable and occasionally absent, but as electricity can be stored one might suppose that this was the very case in which variability did not particularly matter.—London Spectator.

The Clever Shoe Clerk.

At the cost of considerable time and labor one high grade shoe house is bound to protect its goods. On a rainy day a woman wearing wet shoes went in to buy rubbers. The clerk measured the width and length of her shoes, removed them and brought a new pair of the same size to try on. Visions of a depleted pocketbook caused her to exclaim, "But I don't want new shoes, only rubbers!"

"I understand," said the clerk. "I am only slipping these shoes on to fit the rubbers over. It soaks the inside of a rubber to slip it on over a wet shoe. Then if it doesn't fit and the customer doesn't take it it is spoiled for the next customer."

"And the outcome of that experience was," said the woman, "that I bought the shoes as well as the rubbers and had them sent home C. O. D. Maybe that was what he was working for all the time."—New York Sun.

The Turkish Doctors' Oath.

In Turkey they have a Hippocratic oath, though they do not call it by that name. It is given in Al-Kulliyah, the magazine published by the Syrian Protestant college in Beirut. To each of the graduates in medicine the oath was administered by the Turkish head of the medical examining board. We cite a few of the pledges:

"That when I am called at the same time by two different patients, the one rich and the other poor, I will accept the call of the poor without taking into consideration the money offered and will do my best for his treatment, and that I will never decline to answer any call, day or night, during the reign of common diseases or of an epidemic or of contagious diseases.

"That I will not ask extra fees from the patients and will not act against my conscience by exaggerating their sickness in order to get the calling fees.

"That in case of a doubt as to the treatment of a patient I will not leave his life in danger through a failure to consult other doctors on account of my pride."

Rockefeller and His Caddie.

"Golfing in Augusta one bright winter day," he said, "I had for caddie a boy who didn't know me.

"An unfortunate stroke landed me in a clump of high grass.

"My, my!" I said. "What am I to do now?"

"See that tree?" said the boy, pointing to a tall tree a mile away. "Well, drive straight for that."

"I lofted vigorously, and, fortunately, my ball soared up into the air, it landed, and it rolled right on to the putting green.

"How's that, my boy?" I cried triumphantly.

"The caddie stared at me with envious eyes.

"Gee, boss," he said, "if I had your strength and you had my brains, what a pair for a foursome we'd make!"—Exchange.

Less Majesty in Position of a Stamp.

A decision of the courts at Trieste is causing great indignation among young people in Austria. Henceforward lovers will be liable to a summons for less majesty if they vary the official position of a postage stamp, whether on a card or on a letter, to indicate their sentiments. To stick a postage stamp at a certain angle to express "undying love," "disappointment," "tender memories," and so forth, is decidedly a mark of disrespect to the sovereign, say the courts. The sender of a postcard at Cattaro who had used the emperor's effigy to tell his sweetheart that he would love her always has been condemned and fined for the offense.

Statesmanship.

"What is the most valuable knowledge that a statesman can acquire?"

"The knowledge," replied Senator Sorghum, "of when to change his mind."—Washington Star.

He that is ungrateful has no fault but one. All other crimes may pass for virtues in him.—Young.

Enough Iron For Several Years.

The last international geological congress estimated the world's supply of iron ore at 22,408,000,000 tons, of which 12,632,000,000 tons are in Europe and 9,855,000,000 tons are in America.

Sensible Man.

Crawford—Do you really like to please your wife? Crabshaw—I can't say that I do, but I've found out it's the best plan.—Smart Set.

HONOR SOUTHERN HEROINES.

Miss Kinney Given Largest Sculpture Contract Ever Awarded Woman.

To commemorate the sacrifice, privation and bravery of the women of the south during the civil war ten southern states will erect in their capital cities monuments in bronze or marble replicas of the original design made by Miss Belle Kinney, a young daughter of the old south, says Hampton.

Miss Kinney's father was a Confederate soldier, her mother a southern woman, and she herself was born in Nashville, Tenn., about twenty-three years ago. This young woman, whose art education has been entirely in the United States, has thus secured the largest contract for sculpture work ever given to any woman.

The monument is a group of three figures, all heroic. The central form is that of Fame bending slightly to set the laurel wreath upon the brow of a figure at the right representing the southern woman, who is placing the palm of victory upon the breast of a dying soldier boy. The boy is struggling to raise once more the torn and tattered battleflag which he has been carrying. The group is an attempt to reveal the heroism, sympathy and steadfast loyalty of the southern women to their soldiers in the field.

Sons of Butchers.

Three of the stained glass windows in the hall of the Butcher Guild, London, contain the portraits of Cardinal Wolsey, William Shakespeare and Daniel Defoe in recognition of their connection with the meat trade.

The cardinal was the son of a "respectable" butcher at Ipswich, in Suffolk, and "the immortal bard" assisted while a youngster a butcher in his native town of Stratford-on-Avon.

Defoe, nowadays known as the author of "Robinson Crusoe," but in his day an adventurer and secret agent of his government, was the son of a butcher in Fore street and a member of the guild.—National Provisioner.

A Matter of Looks.

First Boarding House Keeper—I always keep my boarders longer than you do. Second Boarding House Keeper—Oh, I don't know! You keep them so thin that they look longer than they really are.—Boston Record.

WANT TO BUY AN ISLAND?

Duke of Argyle Has One That Is Rich In Quiet.

Three, which the Duke of Argyle would be glad to sell to any one who loves a quiet island life, is rich in things which few people want and poor in the treasures which appeal to the average man. Thus the purchaser can enjoy the proprietorship of a multitude of lochs without fish, broad acres without trees or hills, marble quarries that cannot be quarried, Scandinavian forts that protect nothing and standing stones without a history.

Perhaps Skerryvore lighthouse, although some miles off its coast, may be claimed as the glory of Three. Built of granite from Mull, it has defied the waves of the roughest sea for over sixty years, and its reputation stands second to none among the lighthouses of the world.

A Good Sleeper.

Talleyrand used to tell an extraordinary story of the impassiveness of Louis XVIII. When he was minister of foreign affairs a courier came to him one evening bearing unpleasant news, and he therefore postponed the communication of it to the king till next morning, when he explained that he was afraid the tidings might have disturbed his majesty's sleep. The king replied: "Nothing disturbs my sleep, as you may see from this instance. The most dreadful blow of my life was my brother's death. The courier who brought this dreadful news arrived at 8 o'clock in the evening. For many hours I was quite overcome, but at midnight I went to bed and slept my usual eight hours." The story is told by the Duchesse de Dino, Talleyrand's niece, in her memoirs.

Rocky Road to a Title.

"Does Marie expect to marry the count?"

"Not immediately. There are three questions to be settled first."

"What are they?"

"He must prove that he is a count."

"Well, that would settle it, wouldn't it?"

"No. He must also prove that he isn't married."

"Well!"

"Then he must prove that he wants to marry Marie."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

FLIERS SEEK GRAND CANYON.

Fear Suction From Great Ditch of Arizona.

Flight by aviators over the Grand Canyon of the Colorado river in Arizona is to be attempted in the near future if proper arrangements can be made. The aeroplane men believe that such a flight is practicable despite the probable suction when over the "ditch." The canyon is 7,000 feet above the sea level, and from the rim to the Colorado river the lowest part of the canyon is 9,000 feet. It is about thirteen miles across where the flight will be attempted.

The aviators say they must first ascend 2,000 feet above the ground before hovering over the canyon to avoid the chance of suction from below. If this is done the machines would then be about 9,000 feet above the sea.

No More Letters Opened!

Proof against the curious is a double envelope that a Frenchman has invented. The flap of each envelope seals against the back of the other so that the contents cannot be removed without destroying the cover.

The Measure.

The ancient judge sat before the scales of worth.

"Bring forth the royal treasure!" he cried, and the hurrying slaves poured into the huge pan sacks of golden metal, caskets of sparkling gems until it seemed as if all of the wealth of earth were there. Yet the balance never stirred.

"Let the learning of the ages be added," came the order, and tons upon tons of the wisdom of sages, philosophers, scientists and poets was heaped upon the pile. And still the great arm of the scales remained high in air.

"Add now the men of power and high position," said the judge, "and the scale will fall." But all in vain.

"But what is on the other side that outweighs all these?" asked one.

"It is character," said the judge.—Portal.

Skeptical.

Teacher—Now, Johnny, what is the shape of the earth? Small Johnny—I dunno. Teacher—Why, I told you yesterday it was round. Small Johnny—Yes, I know, but I don't believe everything I hear.—Chicago News.

The Filial Chinaman.

Many examples of Chinese filial piety strike the occidental reader as ridiculous. There is the famous story of Lao Laitou, which Mr. R. F. Johnston repeats in his "Lion and Dragon in Northern China." Lao's parents lived to such extreme old age that he was himself a toothless old man while they were both still alive. "Conceiving it his duty to divert their attention from their weight of years and approaching end, he dressed himself up in the clothes of a child and played about in his parents' presence with the object of making them think they were still a young married couple contemplating the innocent gambols of their infant son."

A similar case is that of Wang P'ou, whose mother had an unconquerable dread of thunder and lightning. When she died she was buried in a mountain forest, and thereafter, when a violent thunderstorm occurred, Wang P'ou, heedless of the wind and rain, would hurry to her grave and throw himself to his knees. "I am here to protect you, dear mother," he would say. "Do not be afraid."

Making a Gunstock.

A party of men were out hunting, and an old woodsman who was with them broke his gunstock in some way or other. It was just about nightfall when the accident occurred, and inasmuch as he was very anxious to do some shooting early the next morning he decided to fix up his shooting iron. Finding a walnut fence rail, he set to work. His only tools were an ax and a big pocket knife. All night long he labored vigorously at his task, and by morning the gunstock was finished and back in place and worked like a charm.

"How did you do it?" asked one of the number, greatly surprised.

"Very easy," was this old hunter's reply. "No trouble at all. Just get a piece of wood about the size and kind that you want and then whittle away all that you want whittled away. When you have all the wood cut off that you don't want you have a gunstock."—Kansas City Journal.

All Right, Perhaps.

Patient Father—Dearie, baby's eating my glove now. Is it all right? Dearie (from above)—Oh, quite all right—(pause)—you're sure it's yours?—Punch.

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The New Business Offer

In order to make this week more interesting, and to enable the weaker candidates to work hard this week and regain lost ground it has also been decided to give away forty competitive, or premium ballots, for the forty candidates turning in the largest amount of money on both old and new subscriptions to THE CITIZEN this week.

HOW THE BALLOTS WILL BE AWARDED.

The highest ballot will be good for 400,000 votes and will be awarded the young lady turning in the largest amount of money on subscriptions this week. The second ballot will be good for 390,000 votes, and will go to the young lady turning in the second largest amount of money, while the third young lady will receive a ballot good for 380,000 and so on down the list until the FORTY BALLOTS have been awarded. Each ballot decreases 10,000 in value.

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IF YOU ARE NEAR THE BOTTOM OF THE LIST WIN THE 400,000 BALLOT AND SECURE THE LEAD.

IF YOU WANT TO HAVE THE HONOR OF RECEIVING THE HIGHEST NUMBER OF VOTES IN THE ENTIRE CONTEST WIN THE 400,000 BALLOT AND HELP "CINCH" IT.

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Five years	7.50 37,500	Five years	7.50 31,250	Five years	7.50 25,000
Six years	9.00 48,000	Six years	9.00 40,000	Six years	9.00 32,000
Seven years	10.50 60,000	Seven years	10.50 50,000	Seven years	10.50 40,000
Eight years	12.00 75,000	Eight years	12.50 62,500	Eight years	12.00 50,000
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