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When It Was Dark. The Cleveland Plain Dealer says an Auctored colored man addressed the students of Adelbert college the other day. He told about his experience in his chosen profession, that of a lawyer, asserting that on but one occasion had he ever met with discourtesy at the hands of white men during his legal experience in his native state, Virginia. This happened in a backwoods hamlet, where the general ignorance of the inhabitants was some excuse for their boorishness. In the course of his remarks he perpetrated an unaccountable bit of humor that brought a smile to the students' faces and drew a laugh from the speaker himself as soon as he realized the suggestion in his statement. "I started out in my profession with somewhat gloomy anticipations," he said. "When I reached Alexandria, where there were 7,000 colored people, everything looked dark." It was at this point that the smile ran around.

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COMPLETION OF ONE OF THE MOST STUPENDOUS OF UNDERTAKINGS.

One of the Great Artificial Waterways of the World Built Substantially by a Single American City—Notable For Its Small Cost—Done by Machinery.

Mississippi Valley Representatives in Congress, particularly those from Illinois and Missouri, are watching with great interest the developments in the Chicago drainage canal controversy. While the sense of the country would doubtless be that this was no time to ask for the abandonment of the project after the Chicago people have spent \$34,500,000 upon it, it is also true that Chicago played a rather shrewd game in neglecting to secure proper Congressional permission to create this great waterway until the work was so nearly completed. It was the 21st of June, 1899, when the trustees of the sanitary district of Chicago secured a permit from Secretary Alger to turn in the water.

The Missouri plea is that Secretary Alger had no power under the Constitution to issue this permit. They next maintain that even if he possessed power over the subject temporarily, any such permit becomes ineffective the moment that Congress convenes, since Congress has exclusive jurisdiction over the lakes, rivers and other navigable highways of the United States. The Secretary of War, the Chicago people say, has arranged to send experts, as soon as the canal is in full operation, to take soundings of all the harbors in Lakes Michigan, Huron and Erie, and to see if there is any reduction in the lake levels or in the depth of the harbors. These soundings will be continued at intervals for two years, and if at any time it appears that injury is done to the shipping by diversion of the water, steps will be taken to correct it. It is probable that Congress would then be asked to establish some kind of compensating dams in the St. Clair channel. In this respect, too, Chicago has been shrewd. It has provided for letting out the water from Lake Michigan, but if it becomes necessary to offset that by holding the water back at the other end, the task will fall to the United States Government.

Besides the important question of lake levels, with which the military engineer department has to do, the sanitary question is at the front. This is the one that interests Missouri. The singular fact is that while St. Louis is 365 miles away from Chicago, and takes its water from the Missouri River and not from the Mississippi, it is grievously concerned over the possibility of pollution, while a series of towns in Illinois which take their drinking-water out of the very streams through which this canal pours its current have apparently become fully reconciled to the situation. La Salle, Peru, Hennepin, Peoria, Pekin and Beardstown are mainly dependent for their water-supply upon the Illinois River, into which the Des Plaines flows. The one Illinois town which continues to protest is Joliet. Nor does its objection seem wholly unreasonable. It maintains that sufficient provision has not been made against the overflowing of the Des Plaines River at high water, and that, with the great enlargement of volume caused by spring freshets, the city would be in danger. The drainage people assert that their regulating works at Lockport, three miles nearer Chicago than Joliet, would take care of all this.

From many points of view this drainage canal is one of the most stupendous of human undertakings. It is certainly one of the great artificial waterways of the world, and yet has been built substantially by the corporation of a single American city. The sanitary district, however, is not exactly coterminous with the city limits. It includes about forty square miles of territory outside of Chicago, and excludes within the city territory now occupied by 250,000 people. All that part of the city south of Eighty-seventh street, as far as One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street, gets its drainage through the Calumet River, although it is now preparing to organize a sanitary district of its own and construct a channel from the Calumet River to the drainage canal.

This artificial waterway is notable also for its small cost. The years between 1892 and 1897, when most of the supplies were purchased and most of the work was done, were years of low prices for labor, for iron and for most other commodities necessary. The excavating machinery especially designed for the undertaking has been much admired. Huge cranes have been used, with arms 150 feet long, which would pick up a box the size of a freight-car at the bottom of the channel and deposit its contents high and dry 300 feet away. It is thought that these cranes and other drainage-canal machinery may be carried to the isthmus for the canal work there. For fifteen miles the cuttings were made through solid rock, and for only thirteen miles did the builders have the advantage of soft earth. Three hundred thousand cubic feet of water per minute is the quantity it has been aimed to carry, but, aside from rock excavations in anticipation of the future, it has been found that the present equipment will carry 360,000 cubic feet.

Emerald Mine in New Hampshire. Notwithstanding mining parties have been trying to keep it a profound secret, it has finally leaked out that a rich beryl-emerald diamond field has been found on a mica and garnet tract on the edge of Springfield, N. H., two and a half miles from the Grafton, N. H., depot, on the Concord branch of the Boston and Maine. —Boston Traveller.

HOPE FOR NEW ENGLAND.

Her Cotton Mills Not Hurt by Southern Competition.

"There has been much talk of recent years of the growing manufacture of cotton in the South," writes John Gilmer Speed in Ainslee's Magazine, "and it has even been intimated that the increase in the number of spindles in the South was a menace to the industry in the North. Undoubtedly there was apprehension in Fall River or thereabouts six or eight years ago, and some capitalists felt the cotton manufacturing property in New England was doomed. Such, however, was the fear of the timid and the easily scared. The cotton industry in New England is likely to keep on growing and to remain prosperous so long as the world demands such a tremendous quantity of cotton cloth. Manchester and the people of England will feel the pinch of Southern competition long before Fall River and Providence. But unquestionably the South is to be congratulated on the brave start that has been made in what is in that section a new industry. There are one hundred millions of spindles in the world. Of these, 17,570,000 are in the United States, and 3,500,000 are in the Southern States. So we see that while in the country seventeen and one-half per cent. of the cotton cloth of the world is woven, that in the Southern States twenty per cent. of this is made. This is more than a beginning. It is a brave achievement. But it is silly and timid to have fears for New England. New England is thousands of miles nearer the cotton fields than old England, and old England last year made forty-five per cent. of the cotton cloth of the world, and in Continental Europe thirty-one and one-third per cent. was made. Those are the fields upon which the Southern industry will encroach, if it must encroach upon any. But it is likely that the increased consumption of cotton cloth will always keep up with the increase in the number of spindles. There is no fear in the world, that is, no reasonable fear, that New England will not be able to take care of herself."

WISE WORDS.

To do so no more is the truest repentance.—Luther.
A good intention clothes itself with power.—Emerson.
Every brave man is a man of his word.—Cornelle.
Praise undeserved is satire in disguise.—Broadhurst.
Necessity reforms the poor, and satiety the rich.—Tacitus.
Each present joy or sorrow seems the chief.—Shakespeare.
Reprove thy friend privately; commend him publicly.—Solon.
Wealth is not his that has it, but his that enjoys it.—Franklin.
When passion is on the throne, reason is out of doors.—M. Henry.
Variety is the very spice of life, that gives it all its flavor.—Cower.
Rashness is the faithful, but unhappy parent of misfortune.—Fallor.
A proud man never shows his pride so much as when he is civil.—Greville.
To be poor, and seem to be poor, is a certain way never to rise.—Goldsmith.
Never suffer the prejudices of the eyes to determine the heart.—Zimmerman.
Duty and to-day are ours; results and futurity belong to God.—Horace Greeley.
The desire of appearing clever often prevents our becoming so.—Roche foucauld.
A straight line is the shortest in morals as in mathematics.—Maria Edgeworth.
The man has a right to do as he pleases, except when he pleases to do right.—Simmons.
By taking revenge, a man is but even with his enemy; but in passing over it, he is superior.—Bacon.
The foolish and wicked practice of profane swearing is so low and mean a vice that every person of sense and character detests and despises it.—Washington.
In all the affairs of life, social as well as political, courtesies of a small and trivial character are the ones which strike deepest to the grateful and appreciative heart.—Henry Clay.

The Dog and the Bantam.

The strange friendships that sometimes exist between animals that are by nature enemies have a new variation in the deep attachment between a dog and a chicken. The dog had belonged to a certain family in city days before the suburbs were in its plan. Afterward the attempt to raise chickens was idle because of his serious objections that were made plain whenever a stray chicken crossed his path, unless that one happened to be the little bantam hen. Finally all the others were disposed of, and the two odd companions continued to spend their time together. The little hen sits in perfect quiet while the dog licks her feathers, or she perches on his back while he walks. At night he stays by preference in the chicken-house, and the bantam perches beside him.—New York Sun.

British Siege Train for Pretoria.

The siege train which has been sent to South Africa will play an important part in the capture of Pretoria. The train is manned by over 1500 officers and men of the artillery, and its armament and ammunition weigh over 5000 tons. There are fourteen six-inch, eight five-inch, eight four-inch and eight 4.7-inch quick-throw guns, with gun carriages and mountain appliances complete, and 100,000 rounds of shell.

BURR FOUND THE ASSASSIN.

Famous Lawyer Once Cleared His Client of Murder.

"I was particularly interested," said an old Washington lawyer the other day, speaking of the Manhattan well crime, "in the paragraph that described Aaron Burr's dramatic act in holding a pair of lighted candles in the face of a spectator in the courtroom and shouting, 'Gentlemen, here is the real murderer.' I do not question this, but I remember that Jere Clemens, once a famous United States senator from Alabama, told of a trial in which Burr appeared for the defense of a man charged with murder. My recollection is that the trial was in the southwest. When Burr addressed the jury it was night. The guilty man was in the room. He had been the principal witness for the prosecution, but Burr had learned that this witness was the assassin, and in closing his address for his client he picked up two lighted candles from the table and holding them in the face of the witness referred to, he exclaimed: 'Gentlemen of the jury, there is nature's verdict. Now write yours.' At that moment the witness fled from the room. After Clemens told this story he wrote an historical novel called 'The Rivals; or, The Times of Hamilton and Burr.' In that book he wove the incident into one of the chapters. The book is out of print and has been for many years. But it had a great sale, particularly in the south, before the civil war, for Clemens was a typical southern orator, and a man of wonderful personal magnetism. The object of the novel was to make Burr a hero, and to besmirch Hamilton's character. In one chapter where Burr was high in the esteem of Washington, the latter is represented as reading a letter from Hamilton in which Hamilton detailed some scandalous gossip about Burr. Burr was standing behind Washington during the reading of the letter. Washington incensed at the contents of the letter, turned quickly and saw Burr, to whom he said: 'How dare you read my letter over my shoulder?' Burr, as Clemens represents, stung to the quick, drew himself up and replied with all the hauteur of his nature: 'When your majesty addresses such an inquiry to me in the manner you have, the only reply decency can prompt is, Aaron Burr dares to do anything.' This, Clemens avers, was the cause of the break between Washington and Burr."

Absent-Minded.

It was an electric car, and a man was sitting between two women. The man left the car, and as he passed out an umbrella slid from the seat toward the floor and woman No. 1. She caught it, rushed to the door, had the car stopped and told the conductor to call the man back. The man, however, declined to take what was not his, and so the good Samaritan, leaving the "watershed" in the conductor's hands, regained her seat. Meantime woman No. 2, who had seen and heard the whole performance, suddenly came out of her trance and exclaimed, "Where is my umbrella?" You can imagine the rest of the tale; but it was very funny to see it all.—Milford Journal.

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LAKES FAR ABOVE SEA LEVEL.

Mysterious Bodies of Water Found in the Cordillera.

From Cruceiro Alto, the highest town in the world, the Southern railroad, or lake region of the Cordillera, where, group of large lakes of very cold pure water without inlet or outlet, says the Boston Journal. They receive the drainage of the surrounding hills, and conceal it somewhere, but there is no visible means of its escape. A fringe of ice forms around the edges of the lakes every night the year round, yet they contain an excellent variety of fish called the pejeray, which is caught near the shore and sold at Puma and in other neighboring towns. The two largest lakes, Sarachocha and Cachipascana, with several smaller ones in the same neighborhood, are owned by the family of Mr. Romania of Arequipa, who has just been elected president of Peru. He owns immense tracts of land in this locality, with thousands of sheep, cattle, llamas, alpacas and vicuñas, which are herded upon it. A curious phenomenon about the lakes is that they keep at the same level all the time, regardless of dry and rainy seasons. No amount of rain will make any difference with their depth, which, however, in the center is unknown. And this adds to the awe and mystery with which they are regarded by the Indians. There are no boats upon the lakes except a few small balsas, or rafts, made of bundles of straw, which keep very close to the shore for fear of being drawn into the whirlpools that are said to exist in the center. There is some foundation for this fear, for only two or three years ago a balsa containing five men disappeared in the darkness, and it was never heard of again. Of course, it may have been tipped over and its occupants have been paralyzed by the cold water in an ordinary way, but their bodies were never recovered, nor did the balsa ever float to shore. Therefore the people think the whole party was lured into a maelstrom and swallowed up by the mysterious waters. The whirlpool near the center of Lake Popo, which receives the waters of Lake Titicaca, is well known, and hundreds of men have lost their lives by venturing too near it. Boats that are drawn into the current are whirled around swiftly a few times and then disappear. For the protection of navigators the government of Bolivia has anchored a lot of buoys in Lake Popo, and boatmen who observe them are in no danger. There is supposed to be an underground outflow from all these lakes. It is claimed that articles which have been thrown into their waters have afterwards been picked up on the seacoast near Africa, and careful observers say that on the beach in that locality are frequently found cornstalks, reeds and other debris which do not grow on the coast, but are found in great abundance among the interior lakes.

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