

Hear the Sirens for the Second Time.

The weary sails a momentary... The oars were silent for a space... The sea was a shimmering floor...

THE ASIATIC CHOLERA.

Where it Starts, How it Travels, and by What Road.

There are comparatively few people now living in this country who have ever witnessed a case of Asiatic cholera...

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Well, he was the champion of irrigation in Wyoming, and he devoted a stickful day to Wyoming agricultural possibilities...

From the moment of the outbreak of cholera in England about seven days must at least elapse ere the first case of the disease can happen in our country...

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WORK AND PLAY.

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No Longer a Desert.

One more miracle, says the New York Sun, has been wrought in the Orient. The whole length and breadth of the great Algerian desert...

Rain in winter is frequent enough in this naturally dry climate, but it is seldom excessive. The only harm it has done is to dissolve the raw, sun-dried brick of which the houses are built...

The constant decrease of the woodland is dangerous to every interest that should be legislated against. By preserving the timber now standing...

Phosphorescence of Diamonds. A curious point in diamond lore has just been established to the delight of the crown-jewelers...

HENRY CLAY'S HORSE.

The Nag the Greatest Statesman Won at a Game of Poker.

A Washington letter in the Houston Post says: "I recollect Henry Clay's turn-out very well."

"Oh, you needn't laugh," said the old-timer, with great animation; "that's the way they played poker in them days. A man went the whole hog or nothing."

The process of making screws is a very interesting one. The rough, large wire in big coils is, by drawing through a hole of less diameter than itself...

The Origin of the Turnpike. An etymological crank has discovered that the name of turnpike comes from having a pile hung across a road...

Rhymes in the Mail.

Some very curious and funny letters are received at the Dead-Letter Office.

"My little messenger, quick and straight, To Humboldt County, Iowa State; For little messenger, and needs with ease For Miss Annie Facey, you'll find her there."

"How did the aged commodore get his young wife?" I asked of an acquaintance. "She whistled and he came to her, my lad," was the reply...

The boy who has called on the girls without being asked has played upon the passion to water the garden out of his pocket...

The Pecan Tree. The pecan tree is found in a wild state in the woods of the various sections of the South and West.

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