

Her Answer.

All day long she held my question... Shunned my eyes that craved an answer...

FLOTSAM.

It was a fearful storm. All night they had heard above the whistle of the gale...

What blessing they knew not. They were in need of no blessings as the world goes...

It was early afternoon when the storm began to blow about the house...

"Oh, I have stood worse ones," she answered. "Do let me go on."

"Oh, I must try—indeed I must! I couldn't go back," she said...

and crashing down on the retreating line of breakers before. They could not have told, as they gazed...

But what a desolation was the inn and its surroundings! The sign and the flagstaff had been prostrated by the gale...

Standing up in the carriage, Mrs. Brenton could see all that went forward below...

Then she turned her head and saw the wreck again, still drawing near and nearer her dreadful doom...

Mr. Charles waded out to where the phaeton stood up to its door in water...

"Don't you see it?" she cried to her husband, breaking in among the knot of men...

the track of the receding wave; regardless of her drenching, stretched out her arms, and her husband, springing ashore...

"The barn floors have fallen out, sir," cried one of the hostlers; "the horses are tied up still, and are holding on by their forelegs..."

"Here! here!" said Mr. Brenton, leaning out and slapping the weeping man's shoulder...

Tasting of the Rector's Legs.

The rector of a rural parish in England visited a lady parishioner who kept a Fyrespan wolf-dog...

Gen. A. J. Pleasanton has written a long letter to the Chicago Tribune on the wonders of blue glass...

"I works in the laundry at the work-house from nine o'clock until five every day, and sometimes I feels the want of something..."

ENGLAND'S EASTERN POLICY.

The Tenor of the Speeches of Earl Granville and the Marquis of Hartington.

The Marquis of Hartington said: There are some among us—I trust that the government do not belong to the nation—who look with calmness...

Perhaps Midhat Pasha's fall and Edhem Pasha's accession may have suggested to certain members of the administration that Lord Salisbury's threatening language at the close of the conference may be repeated with advantage now.

The Blue Glass Cure.

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Turkey's Circular Note.

The circular of the Porte on the failure of the conference, dated January 25, after recapitulating the arguments...

IN THE EVERGLADES.

A Story of the Seminole War in Florida—The Deadly Swamp.

The exploration of the everglades of Florida bring to light many incidents of the long and terrible Seminole war...

The Scarlet Fever.

It is as unnecessary for a child to die of scarlet fever, says Good Health, as it is that it should be blind with cataract...

Croup in Children.

This disease causes death by suffocation. The entrance of the windpipe is very small; a little cold causes the lining of the part called the mucous membrane to swell...

A Rich Shoemaker.

In the taxables of Brooklyn, says a local paper, appears the name of a German whose annual payments for taxes exceed those of many of the so-called princely merchants who live on the Heights...

A Chinese Story.

On board the United States steamer Tennessee a pleasant minstrel entertainment was given by the enlisted men...

Items of Interest.

In our infancy we cut our teeth; in our old age our teeth cut us. A girl attempted to walk the ridge pole of a house in Warren, Texas...

The Chicago stockholders' union sent a man to urge the Illinois Legislature to prohibit the employment of convict labor...

"What," asked an Arkansas paper, "shall we do with the school money? We should say that in Arkansas, the best thing you can do is to spend it before the treasurer steals it, says an exchange."

"Snaky Jones," known throughout the Black Hills as a vagabond, has become suddenly wealthy by discovering and selling gold veins...

The Russian budget for 1877 shows the public revenue for the past year to have amounted to 570,778,000 roubles...

Two women and a man are under arrest in Philadelphia. They comprise the Charity Relief Association. They hired a house, put out a sign, collected money from benevolent persons...

A beautiful country girl grew indignant at a Madison (Wis.) hotel clerk because he presumed to run into her sleeping room and throw open the windows...

"You would make a most beautiful actress in the drama of life," whispered a poetical Chicago youth to his innamorata the other evening...

If avalanches of formidable size are common in this winter of deep snow on the Western mountains, in Wyoming a blast in a mine loosened the snow on the surface above...

Mabel Hall, a ballet girl, was murdered in the green room of a St. Louis theater by a jealous lover, and he is now on trial...

A youngster being required to write a composition upon some subject which unites the head to the body, and expounded as follows: "A throat is convenient to have, especially to roosters and ministers..."

Richard A. Proctor, writing about the probability of there really being such things as "sea serpents," says it is not likely that naturalists know all the forms of animals that exist in the oceans...

Two Odd Dreams.

An exchange tells a story of a gentleman who, on going to bed, lost a collar button, when on coming detached rolled to a distant corner of the room...