

The San Francisco Chronicle in a recent issue says: There are just now being exhumed the bones of several hundred Mongolians to be sent back to the Celestial Kingdom...

Soon after dinner a boy who was very much out of breath halted a man on Miami avenue, Chicago, and informed him that he had seen a rabbit run under a barn in an alley near by.

A crowd instantly looks for a leader. This crowd soon found one. He was a man who said he had spent the best portion of his life driving rabbits from under barns.

For thirty minutes the crowd, growing larger every minute, put in some what licks against the peace of mind of that humble hare, and he had not been bridged a foot when a boy came along with a terrier dog.

The Texas Rangers.

It was on El Paso street, in El Paso, Texas, that I remarked to a friend that I desired to know how the State of Texas, that Lone Star State of lone things and wild romance, came to possess an armed force of State troops ever in the field.

Water in Venice.

Those who have staid in Venice have noticed what it meant to be dependent for water upon an army of men, who, with hammers, hatch a ditch, or rather a narrow supply of blood, rarely fit to drink, across the lagoons, from a stream emptying near a place called Servola.

Old Madeira Wine.

The finest of old Madeira wine is to be found on the tables of several of the Justices of the Supreme Court at Washington, and the way it was procured is interesting.

OULD A SAYS: "A girl's love must never be won by woe, but conquered." That's all very well; but how to subdue a thinking parent of the period is what's bothering our young men just now.

"I joined the service," continued the assistant marshal. "In June, '75, in company D, Captain Roberts commanding. We had lively times just then, I can assure you. Indians were on the war path all over the country and the rangers were having a rough time of it.

"No, dead." The rangers made good Indians of nearly every one of them. An Indian is only good when he's dead. Our company had three fights with the Comanches, in one of which we killed six. I first smelt powder in a fight with the Lepans. In July, 1878, the Lepans made their first killing. They killed three girls and one boy, all of the same family, and then got pretty well wiped out themselves.

In My Drawer.

A gentleman, something of a dandy, had lost a small diamond, which constituted the sole stud of his shirt front. He assured the host that this diamond was worth over \$2,000.

The next day a stable boy picked up the diamond while sweeping out the yard and brought it to his master. That gentleman was delighted, and sent his hostler with the gem to the inconsolable owner.

This worthy received the messenger with joy, placed the diamond in his drawer and took two cigars out of his pocket and offered them to the flunder, who withdrew, ashamed of the man with the diamond.

On his return he told everything that had happened to his master.

"Yes, I will; I ought to at least pay a premium for having an honest lad in my service. Now you will return to the gentleman who gave you the cigars, and you will say to him: 'Sir, I told my master how generous you were good enough to be to me, but he fears you will be deprived of the pleasure of smoking to day. He has ordered me, therefore, to return to you the two cigars.'

"Shall I speak of the 500 francs?" asked the boy astonished.

"Of course not. Do as I say."

The stable boy did as he was told. It was not long before he returned with his reply, written by the fortunate man in all good faith:

"DEAR SIR: I am delighted to find my diamond again. I have six like it, which do duty as my vest buttons. This is why I was so cast down by the loss. As for the cigars, I could perfectly well spare a couple of them for your boy for I have 6,000 of them drying in my drawer," &c.

A Lesson in Etiquette.

An amusing story concerning Senator Coke of Texas comes from Washington. The Senator is a man of 60 years, is not particularly neat in his dress, and was never known as a stickler for etiquette in his own wild State.

No grace is more necessary to the Christian worker than fidelity—the humble grace that marches on in sunshine and storm, when no banners are waving, and there is no music to cheer the weary feet.

No man can honestly pray to be delivered from this world's temptations who does not persistently strive to keep out of them.

Happiness is not outside, but inside. A good heart and a clear conscience bring happiness, which no riches and circumstance also never will do.

Did you ever call a boy a "putty-head"? asks M. Quad, Well, you did it without knowing anything about putty. Here is where it is made. So many pounds of whitening are placed in this great iron basin, so much oil added, and then the machinery is set in motion.

Now about other paints. Red lead is the white lead burned on copper pans until it is red. Yellow ochre is a natural earth made from lamp-black, which is a simple soot, and there are several kinds of paint which are simply a mineral clay purified and burned.

Here in the office of the factory is a fine pair of scales—delicate enough to weigh gold dust with, and here are two samples of Prussian blue which agents have brought in to sell. Both look alike, and each claims his sample to be the genuine.

We have slapped many things about putty but we have learned more by this visit than you could have acquired in any other way in a lifetime. It was not necessary to your future success to know these things, but you could also learn a great deal without knowing that they were putty.

The ideas of honest Dibdin, musician and poet, were of the salt sea, salty; of the ocean, oceanic; of Great Britain, truly British. England loves her sailors, she admires their free heartedness, their outspoken honesty, their contempt of difficulty and danger, their readiness, their restoring good humor, their superabundant fun, their simple courage, and so dearly loves them that the offense against good manners and propriety which she would severely condemn in any other she condones in the sailor.

The sailor, though highly esteemed in his own way, is not the prime favorite of the poet. "Jack," as he is affectionately called, is the national hero; and Nelson, above Wellington, not because he did more, or was a braver and bolder man, but because he was a sailor; and had the failings as well as the virtues of his class.

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Any common black ink or writing fluid can be made into good copying ink by adding some sugar or other saccharine matter to it. To prepare, dissolve one ounce of lump sugar in one and one-half pints writing fluid. Within five or six hours after writing letters or other documents with this prepared ink they can be copied by pressure on damp unsized paper. If old writing be wet with a weak solution of sulphate of iron, to which a small portion of sugar has been added, a faint reproduction can be taken with that pressure upon unsized paper, with the result of rendering the original much paler than before, as the process simply dissolves the original ink used and transfers it. To copy printing ink, dampen the surface with a weak solution of sesquioxide of iron and press on any paper of absorbent nature.

A celebrated physician says: I urge the importance of excluding flowers from sleeping apartments because of their throwing off carbonic acid gas during the night and absorbing the oxygen we require. As small a light as possible should be kept, if any light is required, for a similar reason—the consumption of oxygen. If, then, you have taken care that your bed is very warm and comfortable, without either being oppressed with clothing or too soft, and your room be fully ventilated, and you can't sleep, what must be done? Perhaps you ate too much supper, and must await its more perfect digestion; or, being squeamish, you ate less than usual, and the cravings of the stomach must be satisfied before sleep is obtained. In this case a glass of new milk, kept handy for use, with a biscuit, will probably satisfy your requirements, and you will fall asleep readily. A friend of mine who was hot and restless, and could not go to sleep on one occasion, procured due repose by going into the street and rolling in the snow. Another person describes the means he adopted for sleeplessness as consisting in watching the reflection from a light he could not see, in a tumbler of water placed near him. A few turns up and down your room may assist you, if you fail to discover any chilliness, pain, or discomfort, as causing the insomnia. For myself, I persistently think of nothing when I cannot fall asleep. I work until quite weary, then, tumbling hastily into bed, I usually find sleep immediately. On those rare occasions when sleep evades me, I check my thoughts immediately they begin, and concentrate my attention on a blank. This refusal of thought nearly always succeeds. If you cannot sleep, and are worried to death with cares of the business and the family, ask your chemist to give you ten to fifteen grains of the bromide of potassium in an ounce of water, and this repeated for a few nights will allay the worry, and cause a return to your healthy condition.

A warm bath at bed-time is conducive to sleep, and persistent sleeplessness must be accounted for by some bodily affection that should be speedily remedied; or you must try what a much increased outdoor exercise, with light but sufficient suppers—eaten early—will do for you. It is a great mistake to fly to opiates and sedatives in insomnia, unless specially prescribed for you; they are hurtful in themselves, and the system becomes so injured to them that increasing doses are required, and they in time aggravate the condition they are intended to relieve, leaving the patient irritable, sleepless and demoralized. But always look for the cause of insomnia in some bodily disorder, or mental worry and excitement, and seek to remove the cause when found. It seems, then, that we are to make some of six hours out of twenty-four as a necessity unless we are very extraordinary persons, which I don't believe we are. Beyond this be careful and respect laziness, but carefully estimate your real requirements, observing the effects which different periods of sleep have on your system. Avoid, as a rule, after dinner sleep. Try to get your sleep at the proper hours, paying due attention to the fact of experience that two hours of sleep before midnight are worth much more than two hours after midnight. Remember, too, that sleep is most useful at night, and work most easy and valuable in the early morning.

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There are 2,600,000 acres of deer parks in Scotland. Sly Dubuque girls carry their noon lunch in a music roll. Cotton ties are again being manufactured at Pittsburg. France will not decrease import duties on foreign cattle. Texas increased her assessed property \$75,000,000 this year. Olive oil is becoming one of the great products of California. Florida expects to raise 3,000,000 boxes of oranges this season. There are 25,000,000 workmen out of employment in Chicago. The Moravians have just been celebrating their 427th anniversary. Over 800,000 cans of fruit were put up at Conauct, O., the past season. Another silver mine is reported to have been discovered in North Georgia. Over one hundred thousand persons pay taxes on real estate in New York. The aggregate losses by the Hocking valley strike foot up over \$4,000,000. The Armstrong well in Pennsylvania is flowing 7600 barrels of oil per day. Four million pounds of wool have been received at Abilene, Texas, this season. Gardening is practically taught in more than 20,000 primary schools in France. A whale eighty feet long was washed ashore at Bolinas, Cal., a few days ago. Three billion wooden toothpicks are now annually made in this country it is said. Pennsylvania spends about \$9,000,000 yearly in providing for free common schools. Threats of lynching are driving Mormon missionaries rapidly out of Tennessee. Fifty thousand men will be employed on the Panama Canal during the dry season. New buildings of the value of \$42,000,000 have been erected in New York this year. John B. Gough delivered his first temperance speech in New York forty years ago. The postal service of the United States costs the Government this year, \$46,225,000. The new capitol at Bismarck, Dak., is said to be the finest Territorial Capitol in the West. Three hundred thousand dozen of eggs were destroyed by fire at Waterloo, Ia., recently. The French Minister of Agriculture is in favor of reducing import duties on cereals. Jersey City has a debt of over \$18,000,000, and there is nearly \$7,000,000 in taxes unpaid. Andrew Carnegie, the Pittsburg millionaire, owns more newspapers than any man in the world. James Rilly founded the University of London in 1793 and John Murray in Boston, in 1770. The assessed value of real and personal estate property in the State of New York is \$3,044,491,874. Petroleum wells to the number of 2800 were put down in 1883, against 3200 in 1882 and 3852 in 1881. Indiana employs 5400 men and \$2,000,000 in getting 25,000,000 tons of coal out of 206 mines yearly. It is estimated that the wool clip of this year will amount to 300,000,000 pounds and be worth \$85,000,000. A new counterfeit five-dollar note, national currency, is reported to have made its appearance in New York. The garnet districts of Arizona and New Mexico are looked upon as the possible diamond fields of the future. A telegraphic dispatch was lately sent from Kansas City to Scotland and an answer returned in forty minutes. A father and son are under sentence of death in a Louisiana prison, and for separate and distinct murders. One hundred and one thousand oranges were borne this year by trees on an acre of land in Plant City, Florida. A New Jersey girl, it has come to light, donned her brother's clothes and voted in his name at the recent election. The total production of cigars in this country, as estimated by one of the largest manufacturers, is about 3,000,000,000 a year. The English Postmaster General says the condition of the English workman has not been improved during the past fifty years. Oskaloosa, Iowa, is said to have a spring that will tan skins either with the fur off or on, in from twenty-four to twenty-eight hours. A Gutenberg Bible was sold in London, a week or so ago, for \$10,600. There are said to be but two copies of the book in this country. There were 1,064 pictures exhibited in the Royal Academy last year, of which 203 have been sold at prices ranging from a guinea to £1,000. Judson W. Lyons, colored, has been admitted to the bar at Augusta, Ga. He is the third colored man thus admitted in that city since the war. In a population of 623,000 in Connecticut there are 6000 persons who are more than 80 years of age. Of this number twenty-one are centenarians. A crematorium is to be built in New Orleans by the cremation Society of that city, which has purchased 23 building lots of ground for the purpose. The Pequot Indians, whose tribe now numbers less than 500, have appealed to the United States authorities to protect the graves of their ancestors against relic hunters. The chief attraction of Winchester, Va., is the double cemetery in its suburbs. On one side of a stone wall are buried over 7000 Union dead, while over 3000 Confederate soldiers lie on the other. No evil propensity of the human heart is so powerful that it may not be subdued by strict discipline.