

The Student on the Prairie.

If the truth in all discoveries were at once accepted by the world...

It is now about two years since the world began to listen to a marvelous story that came from Dwight, a village on a prairie in Illinois.

Dr. Keeley's treatment is a subject of international discussion. It is hemmed in by no geography and is not confined to the realm of science.

Many imitators of Dr. Keeley's treatment have come forward and temperance societies have endorsed them.

Branches of the Keeley treatment are now being established over all Europe. Medical journals which fought the treatment but which really did not combat the theory that drunkenness is a disease are now beginning to recognize that a wonderful discovery has been made.

In the United States there are more than one hundred institutes, and including the main institute at Dwight, there are about ten thousand men now taking the treatment.

There is many a home in this country that has been blessed by Dr. Keeley, and he who blesses the home blesses the nation.

The habits of modern young men are antagonistic to that prudence and preparation which make it possible for them to marry at twenty-five.

great deal to dress, and still more to keep up their social engagements.

Not a few greatly exaggerate what it should take two sensible young people to begin life on and happily conclude that it would be impossible, on an income of \$1,000, to start in comfort.

Nature has enabled some animals to see objects behind them as well as in front without turning around.

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FORMATION OF CORAL.

HOW THE POLYPS DO THEIR GIGANTIC YET LASTING WORK.

The Lovely Sea Anemones and What is Made From Their Skeletons—Polyps Do Not Toll Their Simply Dis-Beautiful Animal Vegetables.

The term "coral insect" survives in literature, although science discarded it long ago. Possibly the idea of "toll" and "patience" and "building for the future," as the lesson taught by the coral insect, also survives to point a moral and adorn a tale.

But how beautiful are these skeletons, or a conglomerated accumulation of crystals. And how beautiful and interesting, too, the animal vegetables, or rather flowerlike animals.

According to Dr. Gustav Eisen, there are two kinds of corals of the sea anemone order—those which produce coral, that is, the hard, calcareous formation, and those which do not.

The sea floor, although suggesting a plantlike structure, is still a true animal. It has a skin, also rudimentary nerves. It can seize with its tentacles; it can swallow and digest its food.

The familiar tree coral is the result of the budding process. The branches below are the dead skeletons, above which the living polyps have mounted.

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A MINE THAT SHUTS ITS MOUTH.

One of the Most Remarkable Natural Wonders of Montana.

Reference to the natural wonders of Montana, particularly the chicken brook and bichloride springs, brings to light others of equal magnitude.

The discovery was considered a ten strike and better than a gold mine. They kept the find a secret for several weeks, during which a shaft was sunk to the depth of 300 feet.

The nature of the whole land in Alaska can be roughly divided into three conditions: Snow and ice fields bury the coast range and choke up every hollow;

When Gilmore was in Minneapolis during the season of 1888 the music of his band was transferred to a phonograph, and he afterward heard it.

The "largest mosquitoes in the world are to be found in Yucatan," said Richard Beverly.

An amusing instance of elephantine pride is told by Baker. The elephant which was the state procession of a rajah being led to the city.

When music was in ill repute. The objection of the nonconformist conscience to musical instruments did not stay at organs, but was extended to fiddles and harps.

Air beds are the modern sine qua non of the invalid. Nothing can be more restful and comfortable to the sick frame than the relief from the bed fatigue which this invention affords.

A woman in Kennelburg, Pa. has made pads of five field crickets. Each has a name and sends to know it when spoken.

A Death from Lightning. Casper relates a case in which a young man was struck and killed. His hair was burned off and his nose bled.

In 1838 a beautiful colloid, forming a small padlock, was found in digging a grave in a churchyard at Devises, Wiltshire, England.

ON THE ALEGAZAM.

A GRAPHIC STORY OF A THRILLING RAILROAD WRECK.

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