

MINERALS.

Rose quartz is found in Colorado and Montana.

The chrysoprase has been found in North Carolina.

Tin is known to exist in half a dozen different localities.

In 1891 the country produced 8,279,870 tons of pig iron.

Over one-half of the value of our mineral products was in the metals.

The largest diamond ever found in California weighed nearly 8 carats.

Almost every variety of corundum has been discovered in North Carolina.

Brown crocidolite, known as "tiger eye," exists in large quantities in Colorado.

Jades have been discovered at several points in the gold bearing regions of the Rocky mountains.

The spinel, often sold for the oriental ruby, has been found in New England, Virginia and North Carolina.

The best crystals of topaz found in this country come from Colorado. In the Platte mountains one has been found weighing 125 carats.

Of mineral waters used to medicate the American interior this country bottled and barreled, in 1891, 18,392,732 gallons, valued at \$2,996,259.

Beautiful specimens of the anchorite, or tourmaline, have been found in Maine and elsewhere in New England. This gem is said also to have been found in North Carolina.

The supply of zinc in the United States comes mainly from northwestern Illinois, southwestern Missouri and southeastern Kansas, where it is mined in connection with lead.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

TURF TOPICS.

Nelson, 2:09; Aubine, 2:19½, and Present, 2:23½, all by Young Rolfe, were foaled the same week.

Adolph Spreckels, son of the sugar king, has caught the campaigning fever and engaged Jockey Ison to ride his horses.

The Ohio fair associations are reported to be making energetic efforts to secure a bill in the coming legislature exempting them from taxation.

Jackson Case has leased the famous old Hickory Grove farm, Racine, Wis., to Trainer William Briggs, and the latter will train a large stable of trotters.

Samp Wilson, driver of Larabee 2:12½, the past season, has bought five thoroughbreds and will in future bring up saddles instead of sulkies in his stable.

Receptions in stables have become fashionable in France. At the Duc d'Aumale's, the guests at lunch in his stables were seated at Chantilly.

Mr. O'Brien, a curiosity as a yearling colt and along with his grand head high in the air, moving from side to side as he galloped at the passing plebeians.

The Louisville Jockey club's next spring meeting will commence May 6 next and run 12 days. The Derby, \$50,000; the Clark, \$4,000, and the Oaks, \$3,500, are the fixed events to be run off.

W. O'B. Macdonough, the California millionaire, has laid a bet of \$1,000 with A. B. McCreary, another coast millionaire, that he can ride 20 miles over the Ingleside track at San Francisco within 1 hour and 10 minutes.—Horseman.

THE FASHION PLATE.

Velvet and thick Indian silks are the handsomest materials for winter tea gowns.

Ostrich feather boas are worn altogether with opera coats and are of every conceivable shade.

For dainty outdoor wear Tibet goat and Korean fox look extremely well on dark colored cloths or brocades.

If you have a dress which is very low in the neck, get a Marie Antoinette fichu and drape it over the shoulders.

A lovely model for a tea jacket is made of vieux rose velvet. The coat fronts are ornamented with miniature buttons.

A beautiful outside jacket is made of maize colored brocade, with waterfall trimmings of fine black net, spangled with jewels.

Passmenteries and jewels play a great part in evening dresses just now. They produce brilliant and fascinating effects, which are becoming to every one.

A dahlia red tea gown, made a la medecine, looks regal upon almost any woman. The sides and back piece should be tight fitting and the front fall from the bust to the hem in a triple box plait.

Every woman looks well in a tea gown. Every woman should have at least three. If she is the least bit tasty and knows anything about planning, she can get up half a dozen lovely tea gowns for a very small sum.—New York Mail and Express.

STAGE GLINTS.

Daisy Belle Sharp, a young society woman of San Francisco, is a recruit to the stage. She will be a member of the Frawley company.

Julia Dean, a Salt Lake society girl and a niece of Julia Dean Hayne, the famous actress, will soon make her debut in her native city. She will play the ingenue role in Cora Tanner's "Helene."

Old Hoss William Hoey has in preparation a new song which is expected to more than rival "They're After Me" and "The Man Who Broke the Bank." It is entitled "Don't You Think I'll Do?"

Explicit Directions.

In order to save time the young man who had come for a marriage license handed in a card containing the names of Nokkolas Blohockenschimpff and Varina Morff.

"These are the names of the parties, I suppose," said the county clerk's deputy.

"Yes, sir."

"You are Mr. Bl—Bl—"

"Yes, sir."

"May I ask how you pronounce that name?"

"Yes, sir. Two coughs and a sneeze."

—Chicago Tribune.

"I Don't Think."



—Life.

How to Be an Art Critic.

To establish a reputation as an art connoisseur a man may spend two or three years visiting the salons of Europe and writing criticisms for publication.

This method is both tedious and expensive.

Bartley, who lives on the South Side, has discovered a better way. Bartley wears big spectacles and he can't tell a Corot from a Turner.

Not long ago he paid a visit to the home of a South Side millionaire who has a collection of pictures on which he prides himself greatly. The millionaire was showing Bartley his treasures and Bartley was nodding his head and peeping for perspective effects through his curved hand. It was in the corner of the library where the paintings were especially choice, and the millionaire was descending enthusiastically on their merits. At last he paused before a black old picture, cracked and seamed with age.

"And this is my Murillo. I rate it very highly in my collection."

Just at this moment Bartley thought it would be necessary to say something to accompany his nodding and peeping. And not having any ideas on the subject he turned to the millionaire and said: "I don't think I have ever seen a picture like this before."

"I should say, Mr. Bartley," continued the millionaire, "that this is a very fine picture. It is only a Murillo, but it is a very fine one. I have never seen a picture like this before."

Bartley's big, wise spectacles glanced around and he said impressively: "Indeed!"

And from that moment his reputation as an art connoisseur was established.—Chicago Record.

Blasted Hopes.

"Yes."

He had been waiting for that one little word, and his heart beat fast as he heard her say it.

"Yes."

He longed to take her in his arms, but she spoke as if there was more that she wished to say, and so he hesitated.

"Yesterday I promised to be another's."

He strode away in the gloaming.—Chicago Post.

His Choice.

Bacon—I was up to Artist Penn's house last night.

Yeast—Did he draw any for you?

"Yes, indeed he did."

"What was the best thing he drew during the evening?"

"A cork."—Yonkers Statesman.

The Reverse.

Polly Pinkights—I'm going to retire from the stage.

Fannie Footlights—Mr. ried?

Polly Pinkights—Better than that. I'm divorced, and don't have to support a husband any longer.—Philadelphia Record.

How He Lived.

"I have too much respect for myself to go to the poorhouse or to apply to the county for help," he said, drawing himself up proudly.

"Then how do you manage to live?"

"Oh, I steal occasionally."—Chicago Post.

Confident.

Bobbie—Father will be down in a moment. Have a cigar?

Von Blunder—Are you sure these are the kind he gives to his friends?

Bobbie—Yes, sir. They are some that mother gave him.—New York Herald.

A Real Grievance.

"Why is it," asked the irritated father, "that you continually stand at the foot of your class?"

"Cause," answered the lazy boy, "cause they won't let me set down."—Indianapolis Journal.

Bloodthirsty.

"No, sir!" exclaimed the patriotic citizen who had been reading extracts from late English papers. "Not any roast beef for me this time, waiter! Bring me a bullfrog, rare!"—Chicago Tribune.

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A Silver Committee.

The Republicans in the Senate do not have open seas and fair winds. With the assistance of most of the Populists they reorganized the committees. There are 87 Senators with one vacancy from Delaware. Of these 42 are Republicans 39 Democrats, and 6 Populists. The new Senator from Delaware will be a Republican. It will require 45 to make a majority. The six Populists united with the Republicans to organize the committees. That left the Democrats in the minority. The committee on Finance is the most important and it is composed of 13 members, instead of 11 as heretofore. Its Chairman is Mr. Morrill of Vermont, and his Republican colleagues are Messrs. Sherman, Allison, Aldrich, Platt, and Wolcott. The Democratic Senators are Messrs. Voorhees, Harris, Vest, Jones of Arkansas, Walthall, and White, and the Populist member is Mr. Jones of Nevada. The committee thus comprises 8 free silver Senators, 6 of them being Democrats, 1 a Republican, and 1 a Populist, and 5 anti-silver men, all of them being Republicans. Mr. Wolcott is absent in Europe, and will not be here for some time, so that the committee at present will have a free silver working majority of 2. The silver members stand together. They have the tariff and bond bills under consideration and they are determined to amend the bond bill by inserting a free silver section. It is expected that there will be lively times in the committee, and there will be much debate in the Senate. The majority of the House is in favor of the gold standard and it is probable that any free silver amendment carried by the Senate will be rejected in the House.

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The grand jury of Chicago has indicted a large number of men who conduct bucket shops in that city.

Mrs. Rorer on Diet.

Mrs. Rorer is a distinguished teacher of cooking. She gave lessons in New York last summer. She went to Philadelphia and the Ledger makes the following report of her talk:

"To eat pickles is to show a lack of education," said Mrs. Rorer, in the course of a lecture. "Plenty of phosphorus throws light upon the brain. Cooked apples are more easily digested than raw, but are not so valuable from a health standpoint. The sugar of nature is in fruit; man's sugar will create more destruction than a mad-dog. Oatmeal is a valuable food if cooked for three hours and well masticated. All starchy foods must be cooked for hours. Buckwheat cakes are an abomination unto the Lord. Cabbage and onions if right'y cooked have no odor. When there is odor they are ruined as food. To cook them rightly put them in water that is boiling hot, then keep it almost to the boiling point. Will cook in less time in water at 200 degrees than at 240."

Mr. Atkinson said the ladies sitting about him claimed that she (Mrs. Rorer) was largely responsible for the indigestible things they put on their tables, as they all kept house by her cookbook. "Yes," answered Mrs. Rorer, "I know it; but I wouldn't eat the things in that book for all the money there is in the country." Asked what she did eat, she said for breakfast she had wheat grits and cream, a broiled chop, shredded wheat biscuit, and coffee without milk or sugar. For lunch a Welsh rabbit and fruit. For dinner a light soup, meat, and two vegetables one to be green and served with a little oil and lemon juice, a wafer, and cheese. She did all her own cooking, never gave over an hour to preparing a meal, and never in her family made any special preparation for any one.

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