

SONNET.

There's that more precious than the diamond's flame And beautiful as is the ruby's glow Or bloom of pearls, which gold indeed may main...

A CZAR'S HUNT.

His majesty had listened with some interest to Von Holstein's description of the imperial huntsman Arnhem, laid siege to the hibernating den of a big bear and—again with the help of the huntsman, though Von Holstein did not dwell on this point—had succeeded in slaying the brute.

Samson bridge. I propose to make the berloga there. "Good!" said Holstein. "The nearer the better." The two sportsmen overtook the bear and his master by the river side near the Samson bridge. He was a fine, large bear, and he whined and moaned as he went along, for he was very hungry.

straight. Down fell brain, dead of flying. Then drunken Ivan fell also over the body of his beloved companion and wailed and howled aloud, crying out, with many Russian adornments of speech, that his dear friend and the source of his very living had been taken from him to make sport for kings.

RESCUED BY A NOSE.

HOW A HUMAN BLOODHOUND SAVED A KIDNAPED GIRL. The Dramatic Climax to a Search That Restored the Young Woman to Her Friends and Unmasked the Villain in the Case. Provost Paratole of middle Texas is a human bloodhound, says the New York Press.

NOTABLE "SCOOPS."

How Some Great Facts Got Into the Newspapers. Of the long list of important bits of news caught by chance in the journalistic world none surpassed the manner in which a New York paper secured the account of the sinking of the British man-of-war Victoria some years ago.

How We Spend Time.

A man with a taste for figures has been apportioning the life of a man who lives 70 years. He finds that time a man spends nearly 25 years in bed, nearly 12 years each in work and play, nearly 6 years in eating and drinking, 6 years in walking about, nearly 3 years in dressing, 1 year and 5 months in illness, the same in reflection, in gossip, and an equal amount of time is wasted.

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The Exercise Cure. There are wonderful stories about the cures effected by Dr. Gruby, though the medical fraternity derided him as a charlatan. His method was the simplest in the world. Instead of giving his patients a list of things which they were forbidden to eat he gave them a menu of the things which they might partake of, with small changes in that diet. He exercised a sort of mysterious influence upon his patients. He did not write out the prescriptions himself, but dictated them to his patients. Nor did he permit any contradiction. "You need not write down what I dictate, but in that case you must not send for me."

You a lazy man suffering with dyspepsia he gave the order "to eat an apple every morning under the Arc de Triomphe," or to drink a certain sort of Malaga wine which he was to purchase himself, a bottle at a time, at a certain store. The man needed exercise, and he thus compelled him to take it. To a certain deputy he gave the advice, as the only means to save his life, to take several times a week the meat of an ibis. It meant that the deputy in question must take a trip to Egypt and to spend his time in going ibis shooting. Thus enjoying the benefit of the Egyptian climate and the attendant exercise of the hunt—Minorah Monthly.

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Notice of Final Settlement.

THE undersigned, Administrators of the Estate of J. C. Williams, deceased, hereby give notice that they will on the 22nd day of April, 1899, apply to the Judge of Probate for Anderson County, S. C., for a Final Settlement of said Estate, and a discharge from their office as Administrators.

Notice of Final Settlement.

THIS undersigned, Executors of the Estate of David Sadler, deceased, hereby give notice that they will on the 23rd day of April, 1899, apply to the Judge of Probate for Anderson County, S. C., for a Final Settlement of said Estate, and a discharge from their office as Executors.

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A Wife Says: "We have four children. With the first three I suffered almost unbearable pains from 12 to 14 hours, and had to be placed under the influence of chloroform. I used three bottles of Mother's Friend before our last child came, which is a strong, fat and healthy boy, doing my housework up to within two hours of birth, and suffered but a few hours' pains. This liniment is the grandest remedy ever made."

CASTORIA For Infants and Children. The Kind You Have Always Bought

Bears the Signature of J. C. Littlejohn. The average woman is a firm believer in home rule. Theoretical philosophers are sometimes practical fools.

Never mind," said Von Holstein. "I've thought of a plan. There's a little risk in it, but that is better than disobeying the czar, who, as all the world knows, is insane upon the question of absolute obedience."

It was 9 at night when Arnhem returned. He was haggard and worn, but radiant. "All is well," he murmured. "I have the wild beast, lordship. He and his master are on the road to Ruhech."

"The way of the transgressor is straight and he gives himself away."

Bob burst into the house in a state of high excitement. His hands and clothing were smeared with a liberal amount of sticky substance, and his face wore a glow of triumphant satisfaction.

At that instant he happened to pass near Gadson, and sniffing the air like an animal he sprang at the man's throat with fury.

The Italian cannot give the artists large sums of money, for they haven't the money to give, but they can give discriminating approbation. With them the love of music is not a forced culture, propagated by societies and clubs, and affected as a fad by society people who go to an opera to talk over their troubles. No, it is genuine, sincere, indigenous to the atmosphere and the national life. The artist does not receive so many invitations to dine with rich enthusiasts who are less than one generation removed from "Old Dan Tucker" and "Jay Bird," but he is sincerely worshipped by all classes. Even the ragamuffins in the street take off their hats to him.

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