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In speaking to the editor of the Citizen the other day Mr. Louis P. Shoemaker, president of the Brightwood Citizens' Association, said:

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The chief daily newspapers of New York City require about 135,000 tons of paper a year, representing an expense of \$5,400,000 annually.

Every now and then the report is issued that some prominent Chinaman has had his head chopped off. But the customs of China are so peculiar that it is difficult to decide when the official announcements are facts and when they are mere metaphors.

Canada has a homestead law. Farm lots of 200 acres are granted to each head of a family and 100 to each male adult on condition of their building a log house sixteen by twenty feet, cultivating fifteen acres in every 100, and residing six months in each year during five years on the property.

A pretty story was told in a London paper the other day of a young man who, at an examination, drew such inspiration from a portrait of his fiancée that he passed with flying colors. Unfortunately, a correspondent has now told the sequel. The back of the photograph bore an interesting and valuable assortment of dates.

A writer in the Nineteenth Century thinks it both possible and advisable for England to do in South Africa on a large scale what Dr. Barnardo has been successfully doing in Canada for many years, i. e., to transfer as many as possible of the destitute children, who are physically fit and of suitable age, to South Africa, there to be educated and trained for colonial life.

The leaders of our Revolution were perhaps the most remarkable group of men who ever combined culture and eloquence with courage and common sense. But there would have been no people for them to lead if the rudest cabins in the wilderness had not sheltered men who could read by rushlight or flickering pine torch of freedom, and resolve that they would win it for themselves and their children's children forever.

**PROFITS IN RAISING TREES.**  
 Forestry Experts Point to the Telegraph and Cross-Tie Markets.  
 It has been estimated that the telegraph lines of the country require nearly 600,000 new poles every year. The cost of these is more than \$1,000,000.  
 It is also estimated that there are more than 620,000,000 cross-ties in use by the railroads and that 90,000,000 ties are required every year for renewals.

The telephone and light companies use nearly as many poles as the telegraph companies, and the street car systems of the cities use nearly as many cross-ties as the steam railroads. To awaken the farmers of the West to the need of raising plantations of wood to supply these needs of telegraph, telephone and railroad companies, the forestry division of the Agricultural Department has issued a bulletin to show that such work is profitable.

The prices of pole and tie timber have gone up nearly fifty per cent, in the last ten years. J. Hope Sutor, of the Ohio and Little Kanawha Railroad, an expert on the tie question, told the Central Association of Railroad Officers in Louisville a year ago that in ten years more the prices of ties would be fifty per cent. greater than at present. He also said:

"No material has yet been found as a substitute for the wooden tie, and no satisfactory economical method of preserving the life of the wood or prolonging its durability has yet been discovered, and, excepting the minor questions of properly seasoning and piling, the use of the tie plate, suitable ballast and perfect drainage and incidentally climatic conditions, no serious consideration of the future tie supply has yet been had."

It is for this reason the experts say: "From every reasonable point of view it appears that great profits are to be made in the growing of forest trees in the next twenty-five years."

It is declared that operations should begin in the middle West. There has already been a great deal of tree planting on the treeless prairies of the central West, especially in Kansas and Nebraska. The forestry experts have found one plantation near Hutchinson, Kan., planted with catalpa trees which in ten years has produced a net value of \$197.55 to the acre.  
 In Iowa, near Menlo, a twenty-five-year-old plantation of red cedar showed a net value of \$200.54 to the acre. Osage orange, locust and hardy catalpa are the best trees to grow for these commercial purposes.—New York Sun.

**WORDS OF WISDOM.**  
 There is nothing so bad but what good may come of it.  
 To babble your affairs is folly, but to rehearse those of an intimate is dishonor.  
 The opportunity of a lifetime must be seized during the lifetime of the opportunity.  
 Many a heart is ruined and worn out long ere the form be bent or the head grown gray.  
 What is often miscalculated stinginess is a form of liberality; we are close that we may pay our just debts.  
 A year of pleasure passes like a flowing breeze, but a moment of misfortune seems an age of pain.  
 Acquire a loan when necessity drives, but unless you would lose a friend borrow only from a stranger.  
 If thou hast a grief too heavy to bear call patience to help you, and she will bring you a blessing in its place.  
 He who sits down in a dungeon which another has made has not such cause to bewail himself as he who sits down in the dungeon which he has made for himself.  
 Truth itself, according to Locke's fine saying, will not profit us so long as she is but held in the hand and taken upon trust from other minds, not wooded and won and wedded by our own.  
 Rush never does anything but rush, and fret is his wife, of whom is born Worry, a triplicate of disaster; once admit them to the circle of Peace and they are more sure dispersers than dynamite.

**The Delicate Cocoa Tree.**  
 A traveler in Venezuela, where the cocoa tree is now largely cultivated, speaks of the great care with which the young plants have to be protected from the sun, which if very strong is fatal to them. To secure this protection the planters shield them by banana trees and plantain trees, the broad leaves of which give them the needed shade. And even when they are fully grown they need protection, which is given by trees known as "immortels," or, as the planters call them, "the mother of the cocoa." Thus the whole cocoa plantation has a sort of canopy. The fruit of the cocoa is a pod, resembling a cucumber, which grows on the trunk or large branches, and looks as if it were stuck there by artificial means. The seeds, which are the "beans" of commerce, look like big lima beans, embedded in pulp.

**A Traveler's Predicament.**  
 A traveler getting outside St. Petersburg discovered, when he tried to re-enter the city, that he had left his passport in the bedroom of his hotel. The guards refused to let him pass; refused to send for the passport. "According to you," said he, "the only thing for me to do is to throw myself in the Neva!" "No!" said the sentry, "suicide in Russia is strictly against the law."—London Globe.

The Russians, who are supposed to be great tea-drinkers, do not use as much tea per head of the population as do the people of the United States.

**PROGRESS IN TREE SURGERY.**  
 Lives of Many Are Now Saved by Timely Operations.  
 Here has also been very great progress in tree surgery or the methods of treating trees and shrubbery when it becomes necessary to apply the knife or pruning shears. Many a tree is living today that would have died a few years ago from causes that would then have brought on death, but which today are successfully treated.

An instance of this progress can be seen in the Simon Cameron tree, as the spreading elm near the footpath leading from New Jersey avenue to the south wing of the capital in Washington is called. This tree received its name by which it is universally known now when the elder Olmstead laid out the capitol grounds and provided for a footpath which would have made necessary the removal of the stately old elm that was so greatly admired by Senator Simon Cameron. Mr. Cameron interested himself in saving the tree with the result that it was allowed to stand in the center of a space that would otherwise have been covered with a grand old walk.

The tree flourished until a year ago, when an amputation became necessary. One of its big limbs, showing signs of decay, was cut off. The operation was successful enough, but the wound being left open, in the course of time decay set in. The decay was working into the very vitals of the elm and would have killed it in a few years, but recourse was taken to an operation that is now very frequently applied in tree surgery. The decayed portion was scraped off and a covering of asphaltum was placed over it to arrest further decay. The tree is now as well off, says the Washington Star, as would be a man with a limb amputated and properly dressed with antiseptics. In the course of time the wound will probably be healed and the tree will be perfectly healthy again.

**ORIGIN OF "TALK TURKEY."**  
 Retort of an Indian Whom a White Man Was Trying to Overreach.  
 A man who listened to some "spell-binder" every evening for three weeks during the recent municipal campaign, according to the New York Times, said the other day:  
 "Campaign orators do not always have time or occasion to explain expressions used in 'driving home' arguments. They must necessarily depend upon their audiences to 'see the point' through apt applications of such expressions. I have in mind one—to talk turkey'—repeatedly used. The story of its origin is as follows:  
 "Two men, an Indian and a white man, agreed to hunt together for a day and to divide the spoils. When the time came there was no difficulty in apportioning the smaller birds and animals—one of a kind to each. At last they reached the last pair, a crow and a turkey.  
 "'Now,' says the white man, with a great show of fairness, 'you may have the crow and I'll take the turkey, or I'll take the turkey and you may have the crow.'  
 "'Huh!' says the Indian, 'why you no talk turkey to me?'"

**Surgical Operation Without Precedent.**  
 Interesting and particularly audacious in character was the surgical operation performed in the Maritime hospital in Cherbourg, France, recently. An artilleryman named Robert met with an accident in the arsenal, by which the four fingers of his right hand were completely severed at the second joint. The hospital surgeons rejoined the severed members, and although the patient suffered excruciating agony, he refused to be chloroformed. The operation is probably without precedent, and the doctors have the greatest hope of the artilleryman regaining the complete use of his hand.—New York Press.

**BRIDGES ON WHEELS.**  
 Primitive Structures to Be Found in Many Parts of Ireland.  
 At Peel, in the Isle of Man, there exist bridge builders more remarkable than Mr. Kipling ever dreamt of. These lightning engineers create and demolish a workable bridge every 24 hours. This bridge spans the end of Peel harbor. As this is a haven for many fishing smacks and small steamers, none but a costly and very lofty arch would be practicable, and Peel is not rolling in wealth. Further, an expensive bridge would be a waste, as it only leads to Peel Castle—a fortress so weather-worn that no one resides there or cares to go there except for sight-seeing. The thrifty Peel folk surmounted the difficulty in a thoroughly practical manner. Their bridge is a simple wooden affair on wheels. It is in sections, each section locking, when off duty, like a costermonger's barrow. When the tide ebbs the caretakers of the bridge wade in and place section after section in the right position. Sometimes they are helped by excursionists in rowboats. The sections have iron legs at each end. These unfold and sink into the mud. The bridge is finished off with boards on trestles at the termini. When visitors come to see the ancient Peel Castle, the bridge is well patronized. Each person crossing it has to pay a half-penny. When the water begins to rise again the bridge is hastily pulled to pieces and placed on one side till next day. It appears to be a profitable arrangement, especially in summer, when so many tourists visit the island, and are anxious to investigate the beauties of the castle at close quarters. Primitive bridges of a similar kind are to be found in Ireland.

**A Murderous Sea Flower.**  
 One of the exquisite wonders of the sea is called the opellet, and is about as large as the German aster, looking indeed very much like one. Imagine a very large double aster, with a great many long petals of light green color, glossy satin, and each one tipped with rose color. These lovely petals do not lie quietly in their places, but wave about in the water, while the opellet clings to the rocks. How innocent and lovely it looks on its rocky bed! Who would suspect that it would eat anything grosser than dew and sunlight? But those beautiful waving arms, as you call them, have uses besides looking pretty. They have to provide for a large, open mouth, which is hidden down deep among them—so hidden that one can scarcely find it. Well do they perform their duty, for the instant a foolish little fish touches one of the rosy tips, he is struck with a poison as fatal to him as lightning. He immediately becomes numb, and in a moment stops struggling, and then the arms wrap themselves around him and he is drawn into the huge, greedy mouth, and is seen no more. Then the lovely arms unclose and wave again in the water.

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