

MULTUM IN PARVO.

The first shipment of iron ore from the United States to Europe was made in 1608.

A red-haired girl of the name of Helbrand has been discovered in Eastern Maine.

During the first three months of last year not a single passenger and only one employe was killed on railroads in Great Britain.

One hundred and eighty-six islands of the Thousand Islands group, in the St. Lawrence aggregating 250 acres, were sold this season.

Brickmakers are now proposing to make brick of all colors by mixing many materials. Clay, with a small percentage of iron will make a beautiful mottled brick.

A Chinaman's pigtail caused the death of his owner at Northfield, Ore., a few days ago.

A young man who had no previous experience in raising pigs invested about \$1,000 in erecting a pig-sty on the Hudson eighteen months ago.

California is soon to try an industry that has hitherto been confined in this country to New York, that of whalebone cutting.

Love always weeps when it has to whip. Spare moments are the gold dust of time.

Love never bestows a burden that is heavy. Birds with bright plumage are seldom fat.

Law wears iron shoes, and don't care where it steps. There is no use in talking any higher than we live.

There are no real strong people in the world but good people. True merit is like a river, the deeper it is the less noise it makes.

An envious man repines at his neighbor's life as much as though he supported him.

The Practical Side of Its Use. "You haven't read Brown's last ode, have you?"

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An infant is a man who builds a house without windows and then blames God because he has to live in the dark.

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IN THE EVERGLADES

HAT day of the month and year is it? "May 8, 1890." "Is it possible? So I have been here in this dreary region less than fifteen months. It seems a century! I must leave soon. My mind is clearer this evening."

Albert. Memory is at work. I can recall—my God! what does it mean? Albert Giovanni leaned over his sick friend until their eyes met.

"It means, Leon, that death is even now grinning at your elbow! I knew that before you passed away reason would resume her throne and that you would suffer great mental torture as a punishment of sin and crime."

The sick man made no answer. He lay perfectly still, his eyes gradually assuming a look of agony as a tide of memory swept through his erstwhile clouded brain.

Outside the rain was softly falling; a gust of wind now and then shook the door and windows of the cabin. It was a rude structure made of rough pine boards running up and down.

The occupants were in keeping with their surroundings. The sick man lay on a pallet, at one side of which was a table containing vials of medicine, including a curiously shaped bottle partially filled with a white powder.

His companion was tall and sinewy. He looked like a college professor just from a German university with his dark glittering eyes and his hair falling in unkempt locks around his shoulders.

"Dr. Albert Giovanni, the celebrated physician, the famous savant, also disappeared exactly at the same time. The New York dailies printed columns about us, the magazines published various theories, reporters and

detectives vainly searched for us; and to this hour our disappearance is one of the mysteries of the metropolis, never, perhaps, to be explained. Yet one of the papers that employed a corps of detectives to find us gave the key to it in a little eight-line item stating that the lovely Marie Gordon, step-sister to Dr. Giovanni, had lost her mind, and was to be sent to a private sanitarium in the interior of Florida, with the hope that a change of scene and climate might restore mental and physical health."

"Arnosì, you broke her heart, wrecked her life! The love that I would have given the wealth of the world to win—sacrificed honor—aye, even life itself to possess—you threw aside as a child would cast away a broken toy! I loved her secretly, it is true, yet none the less passionately, and when she told me that she could love no one but you, even though you spurned her affection, I swore to avenge her. From that moment I hated you. I determined to ruin you pecuniarily, destroy your reason, and finish your life."

"My hobby in my profession was the concoctions of poisons and the study of their operation. I prepared a subtle powder, which, when administered, saps reason, destroys vitality, and stealthily carries its victim to the grave, defying detection in the event of a medical investigation being made. Marie, love-crazed though she was, begged for your craven life when I made her understand my purpose. But I was inexorable. My plans were all carried to a successful termination. First you were induced to speculate, and in one of the financial storms that passed over Wall street last year the fortune you inherited from your father was swept away, leaving you a pauper. On the night of the day that brought this disaster you were drugged, removed secretly to a ship, and carried to Pensacola, thence to this spot at the northern extremity of the everglades of Florida. Around us the foot of man has seldom trod; in the vast jungle beyond no human being has ever fully penetrated. Everywhere is gloom, desolation, isolation. Hunters rarely visit these wastes. In the fourteen months I have been here I have seen no human being, heard no human voice other than your own. Twice I fancied."

He paused, wiped his forehead, and went on. "My revenge is complete. Your death is only a question of hours, perhaps minutes. I have given you daily a dose of that white powder—pointing to the curiously shaped bottle—and it has fulfilled the mission I created it to perform."

Arnosì still sat upright in his pallet staring at Giovanni, grasping his meaning little by little, while drops of sweat rolled down his face. "And Marie?" he whispered. "She is dead. The institution in which she was confined is not far from here. She escaped from it and perished in the everglades."

A strange smile crossed Leon's face. "You lie—murderer! Mario still lives. Listen!" The sound of some one singing floated to the cabin from the lake. Giovanni started; a look of terror came into his eyes. "What is it?" "Marie! It is her voice before, but never so near the hut. Listen!" Giovanni listened an instant, then, darting from the hut with a cry of terror, disappeared in the jungle. Left alone, Arnosì still sat upright, his eyes fastened on the lake. Near and near came the voice. Another instant and a light skiff came in sight, seemingly dancing on the bosom of the water. In the frail craft, standing erect, a paddle in her hand, was a young girl, who, thinly and fantastically clad, with sprays of Spanish moss floating around her, her hair streaming down her shoulders, and a crown of white lilies on her brow, appeared like an inhabitant of this waste when it existed at the preglacial time rather than a human being of to-day.

Arnosì had strength enough left to strike on the windows with his hand. She observed the signal. Mooring the skiff, she sprang on the beach and ran up to the cabin. She recognized Arnosì, bounded to him, knelt by his side, and flung her wasted arms about his neck without uttering a word. "Forgive me, Marie!" he whispered. "Perhaps at that moment reason was restored to the darkened mind. But if so, the excess of joy was too much. The rain pattered on the roof of the hut, the wind swayed the open door to and fro, but the two figures clasped in each other's arms never stirred. Soon darkness enveloped them as in a shroud."

In October of that year a party of hunters who chanced to wander into that quarter of the everglades found three dead bodies—two in the hut and one outside. A rusty pistol lay near the latter, indicating suicide; but who they were or how they came in that dreary waste the hunters could only conjecture. Moved by a human instinct they hollowed out a rude grave, and placed the remains in it. Then they went their way.

Run to Earth. How the Great Detectives Seize Upon the Evil-Doers. "Officer Sleuth," said the great chief of the Western city, "what report have you to make on your murder case?" "Sleuth—Arrested a woman and locked her up, sir."

"Ha, good! Any clues?" "Took a file of officers in and told her her husband had given the whole thing away."

"Ah, ah! Did she show any confusion?" "Yes, indeed! Said she was confused to know what he gave away, who he gave it to, and why the fool man didn't sell it."

GLADSTONE SPEAKS.

Strongly Arraigns the Sultan for Armenian Outrages. LONDON, Dec. 31.—In an address to a deputation from the Anglo-Armenian association on his birthday, Gladstone said that it was not their duty to assume that all the allegations of outrages were true, but rather to await the result of the inquiry which had been instituted. However, he said, the published accounts pointed strongly to the conclusion that the outrages, sins and abominations committed in 1876 in Bulgaria had been repeated in 1894 in Armenia. If this were true it was time that there should be one general shout of execration against these deeds of wickedness from outraged humanity. If the facts were established, it should be written in letters of iron upon the records of the world that a government which could be guilty of countenancing and covering up such atrocities was a disgrace to Mahomet, the prophet, a disgrace to civilization at large, and a disgrace to mankind. Mr. Gladstone, continuing, said: "Don't let me be told that one nation has no authority over another. Every nation, aye, every human being, has authority in behalf of humanity and justice." He had been silent, he said, because he had full confidence that the government knew its duty. If the allegations made should prove true, it was time that the execration of humanity should force itself upon the ears of the sultan of Turkey and make him sensible of the madness of such a course as was being pursued. Mr. Gladstone spoke for a quarter of an hour.

IOWA PATENT OFFICE REPORT. The interference, Tilden vs. Lee, heard in the U. S. Patent Office at Washington, D. C., on the 11th inst., has been decided in favor of Tilden, of Des Moines. He made a machine in 1891 to facilitate the sowing of coarse and fine broom corn as required for making brooms. The machine was advantageously operated in the Mount Broom Factory, and is a "Hurl Stemmer and Sorter." Lee obtained a patent for the same invention in 1892. Tilden filed an application for a patent in June, 1893, and has proven beyond a doubt that he is the first original inventor, as required to invalidate Lee's patent and to secure a pioneer patent for his pioneer invention.

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HOTEL BURNS. Seventeen People Supposed to Be in the Ruins. ALBANY, N. Y., Jan. 2.—The Delavan House has burned to the ground. Hundreds of people were in the hotel at the time and many narrow escapes occurred. All of the guests escaped, although some were injured by jumping, but the remains of seventeen of the employes of the house are supposed to be in the ruins.

Final Up Desperadoes. GUTHRIE, Okla., Jan. 4.—Two star desperadoes of Oklahoma territory have been run to the ground. Before they died they fought their pursuers and seriously wounded one of them. The outlaws are Bob Moore and George East, both of whom are suspected of having been implicated in the Canadian, Texas, express robbery and the killing of Sheriff McGee.

THE LEGISLATURES. MAINE. Augusta, Jan. 4.—Governor Cleaves was inaugurated yesterday for the second time. Senator Frye has been renominated. NEW HAMPSHIRE. Concord, Jan. 4.—Governor Hushiel was inaugurated yesterday. MASSACHUSETTS. Boston, Jan. 4.—Governor Greenbaige was inaugurated yesterday. This is his second term.

NEBRASKA. Lincoln, Jan. 4.—Silas A. Holcomb was inducted into the office of governor yesterday. MISSOURI. Jefferson City, Jan. 4.—The republicans have organized the house. NEBRASKA. Lincoln, Jan. 3.—The republican caucus nominated John M. Thurston for senator. DENVER, Jan. 3.—The republicans have renominated Senator Wolcott. MICHIGAN. Lansing, Jan. 3.—Republicans nominated Senator McMillan.

Lansing, Jan. 4.—Congressman Burrows has been nominated to fill the unexpired term of the late Senator Stockbridge. NEW MEXICO. Santa Fe, Jan. 3.—House is in a deadlock. CONGRESS. SENATE—Washington, Jan. 3.—Quay introduced an amendment to the urgent deficiency bill, amending the tariff law by striking out all provision for an income tax and substituting a new wooden schedule, including a duty on raw wool. Morgan addressed the senate on the Nicaragua canal.

HOUSE—House went into committee of the whole on the currency bill. Black of Georgia, McCree of Buckner spoke in favor of the bill, and Haugen and Adams opposed it. Talmage to Preach in New York. NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—Rev. Dr. T. De Witt Talmage, who twice rebuilt the Brooklyn Tabernacle during his pastorate of twenty-five years, announces that beginning January 6 he will hold services and preach every Sunday at the Academy of Music, this city. Dr. Talmage said further that the arrangements he has made to preach in New York are of a permanent nature. The style of music and singing for the new venture will be conducted after the regulations of the Congregational Church.

Natural Gas Supply Runs Short. PORTLAND, Ind., Dec. 31.—Many consumers of natural gas in eastern Indiana are to-day shivering with cold on account of the great scarcity of that article in this city. The supply is very short. The opinion prevails here that with the heavy draft on the field to supply Dayton, Lima, Indianapolis, Chicago, and other large cities, the Indiana field will soon follow in the footsteps of the Ohio field and be exhausted. Natural Gas Inspector Jordan, of Indiana, in his report just made to the governor, takes a gloomy view of the future prospects of the field.

Agreed. "Might I ask you to favor me with a waltz, mademoiselle?" "Certainly, monsieur. See here, the last one on my program."

"But unfortunately I shall not be here by that time." "No more shall I."—Grelot Havrais.

He Wasn't Particular. "Sir," remarked the rich father to the suitor, "after the investigations I have made into your character I cannot give you my daughter Emma."

"All right," answered the persistent suitor, "than how about one of the others."—Flegende Blaetter.

He Gave Alone. "Have you seen any change in Waters since he signed the pledge?" "Oh, yes; he has got inviting me to go fishing with him.—Life.

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BITS OF BANTER. Dick—Hello, Jim. Where do you work now? Jim—Work? What yer workin' us? I don't work. I'm a plumber's helper. I am.

First Citizen—So he punched your head? Second Ditto, with his head bound up—Oh, yes, rather. First Citizen—But did nothing come of it? Second Ditto—Nothing come of it? Why, look at my head.

Tommy—Paw, the teacher, told us to-day that if a man kept on telling lies he would soon find himself stealing. Is that so? Mr. Figg—Mebbe so. Many a man has got himself into the city council by telling lies.

"Yes," said the girl who makes collections, "it is one of the best autographs I have in my collection." "But are you sure it is genuine?" "Positive. I cut it from a telegram that his wife received from him with my own hands."

The lady was making some remarks about the kind of clothing some other ladies at church had on. "The finest garment a woman can wear," said her husband, "is the mite of charity." "Yes," she snapped, "and it's about the only one some husbands want their wives to wear."

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People never think of whistling in Iceland. It is a violation of the divine law.

Portland, Me., is the winter port for all Canada, which sends out and receives over \$50,000,000 worth of goods every winter.

The outcome of a libel suit the supreme court of Brooklyn has under consideration, turns on the meaning of the word "bunco."

A five-cent restaurant for women, opened some time ago in Boston, has proved quite as great a success as those for men usually are.

In A. D. 43 the Nile failed to rise because of the lack of rain in the heart of Africa, the crops failed and over 1,000,000 people perished in Egypt.

A Rockledge, Fla. farmer discovered a tramp asleep in his barn. He sent for the town marshal to have the man arrested, but when the tramp was being questioned it was discovered that he was a long lost brother of the farmer.

A New York man who had just married received a present of a set of window fasteners from a manufacturer, who was presently astonished to see him come back seeking to exchange them for a cheaper kind and get the difference in money.

Worship in Japan is a simple affair. In many of the temples the chief feature is a looking-glass emblematic of purity of soul. Near it is a font of water in which the worshiper washes on entering. He then prays before the glass, drops a few coppers into a box and rings a bell three times as he goes out.

Claude Wetmore who has been banished from Hawaii for trying to set up a revolution for the restoration of the monarchy, was an unknown Pittsburg reporter who received a bonus of \$200 and an offer to join its staff from a New York newspaper which he served by being the first reporter to get into Johnston, Pa., after the flood. He went to New York and was a flat failure, but unless his subsequent methods have been altered he has managed to get hold of a pot of ex-Chicago Lil's money.

SHREDS AND REMNANTS. Famine killed 600,000 Europeans in 450. Wisconsin is to have a druggists' insurance company.

While turning a double somersault a Boston athlete fell and broke his neck. Fish sausage, made of fresh haddock, is the latest addition made to the German bill of fare.

Medic's circulating library in London has 3,500,000 books constantly in circulation and employs 175 people. Fort Garland, Col., is believed to be the driest spot in the United States. The rainfall is only six inches a year.

The annual rainfall in the Atlantic states is 36 inches; in the Southern, 55; in the Western, 26; in the Pacific, 62. The heaviest rain ever recorded in Great Britain was in Argyle, December 7, 1863—seven inches in twenty-four hours.

Siberian peasants clean, starch and dry the skin of the turbot for leather bags and as a substitute for glass window panes.

The mean temperature of Missouri is 55 degrees; of Illinois, 52; of Iowa, 46; of Kansas, 53; of Arkansas, 60; of Maine, 43; of Texas, 74.

A guardian of the peace of Gardner, Me., was recently found asleep by a townsman, who handcuffed him and relieved him of his valuables. The Fifth avenue Presbyterian church of New York supports three large missions, and another at a cost of \$100,000 is being erected in a destitute part of the city.

Awful Threat. "You are right in it," remarked the wile to Jonah. "You bet I am in it," was the answer. "And what is more, I'll am not out of it in less than a week. I will give you the biggest case of appendicitis on record." The sequel is history.

A Civil Service Answer. A bright youth undergoing examination for admission to one of the government departments, found himself confronted with the question: "What is the distance from the earth to the sun?" Not having the exact number of miles with him he wrote in reply: "I am unable to state accurately, but I don't think the sun is near enough to interfere with a proper performance of my duties, if I get this clerkship." He got it.

Cause For Suspicion. "We had better watch the bookkeeper a little," said the senior partner. "He has been buying a bicycle." "But you can hardly call that an extravagance," said the junior partner. "No, but it is likely to make him crooked."

For Economy. The waiters had their orders. "Dearest," he whispered, "do you really mean it when you say you will be mine?" She was a bit impatient.

"Fitz Maurice," she replied, "did I not just at this moment say plain stew when I might have said terrapin?" That was certainly conclusive.

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