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RACE ECHOES.

Mrs. Agnes Moody of Chicago, who was appointed by the U. S. Commissioner, Ferdinand Peck, to manage the "Corn Kitchen" at the Paris Exposition has returned home.

Harry T. Burleigh is a member of the choir of St. George's Episcopal church (white) of New York City. He is baritone singer and receives \$800.00 per year for his services.

Dr. Georgia E. L. Patton-Washington who was the first colored woman that was given authority to practice medicine and surgery in Tenn., died last month at Memphis. She practiced medicine in Africa for two years, but owing to the condition of her health she was compelled to return to her native land.

W. T. Wright, colored, does all the press work and book binding for the Daily Chronicle of Clarksville, Tenn.

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Fine Tarp Fishing. All of the nimble in Tampa are much exercised over the tarpon fishing in the bay, at the very doors of the city, says the Florida Times-Union. Capt. Warner, who tends the buoys in the bay, reported that Monday he encountered a school of fifteen or twenty of them, and lost every hook he had in an effort to land at least one. Yesterday he saw another large number playing in the bay, no further away than the third light. This is something new in the tarpon line, for they have never before been so near the city.

CLUB LIFE IN CHINA.

Mandarins and Rich Men Congregate at Social Pleasures.

Club life in China is not an innovation from the west. For centuries the rich Chinaman has had his club, and as a rule it is quite as elegant an affair as are the aristocratic clubs of New York and Chicago. Most of the large Chinese cities, such as Canton and Peking, contain a club for mandarins and rich men with pretensions to rank. Some have a political taint some are merely social, but all have one peculiar feature. This is a room or oratory set strictly apart for religious exercises. In the oratory the image of a Chinese god is placed. From time to time members of the club enter the sanctuary to offer their devotions. Apparently it is no uncommon thing at the beginning or successful ending of a great enterprise—such as, say, the murder of an enemy or the consummation of a political conspiracy—to see a Chinaman hastening from the secular part of his club bearing a rich offering or a prayer for the god in the club sanctuary. He observes his devotions with a gravity that bears witness to his sincerity. Some devout Chinamen visit the god the moment they enter the club building and again prostrate themselves the last thing before leaving. The club god is not usually a war divinity, but now, in the centers where the "Boxers" hold sway undisturbed it is more than probable that the "Boxer" god has been placed in all the clubs.

Arctic Night.

Icebergs dotted the blue surface of the sound, and far into the haze of Baffin bay we could see them drifting southward. The air was as still and clear as on a quiet, moonlit winter night at home, and the level sun rays streamed through in a glory of Italian pink. Enfolded all, as was the "peace that passeth knowledge," like the serenity of a soul that has won, through toil and storm, the strength and poise of enduring calm. It was well-nigh overwhelming. In ill-disguised necessity we turned from the vision to the sight of heaps of crumpled dead birds in the boat, and talked of shooting, and agreed that nowhere in the world was there promise of better sport than here. Then silence fell again. In spite of us, our eyes were drawn outward; and through all the peaceful beauty we felt once more the poignancy of its awful purity. He would be a man of spotless soul indeed and of assured faith who, seeing the stainless loveliness of the scene, would feel no pang. Not one's self only, but one's world came there, as into the presence of the great white throne, and stood condemned in a stillness that was unbroken.—From "With Arctic Highlanders," by Walter A. Wyckoff, in the September Scribner's.

About Slate Pencils.

Slate pencils were formerly all cut from slate just as it is dug from the earth. Pencils so made were objected to on account of the grit which they contained. To overcome this difficulty a scientific man devised an ingenious process by which the slate is ground to a very fine powder, all grit and foreign substances removed, and the powder bolted through silk mesh in the same manner as flour is bolted. The powder is then made into a dough and this dough is subjected to a heavy hydraulic pressure, which presses the pencils out in the required shape and diameter, but in lengths of about three feet. While yet soft the pencils are cut into the desired lengths and set out to dry in the open air. After they are thoroughly dry the pencils are placed in steam baking kilns, where they receive the proper temper.

English Learn from America.

The ice habit is making rapid progress in Great Britain, says Marshall Halstead, United States consul at Birmingham, due largely to the incessant clamor for ice in hotels and public places by the thousands of traveling Americans. Not very long ago the attendants of public places in England where nearly everything except ice was provided, would be insulted if one complained because ice could not be had. Today all first class places have a few small lumps swimming in a glass dish, and you pick these out with sugar tongs; and in country inns and even in second class public houses they apologize for not having it.

Eminent in Letters at 49.

Dr. Adolph Harnack, for many years professor of ecclesiastical history in the University of Berlin and the author of "The History of Dogma," has just been elected rector of the university for the ensuing year. His election was opposed by the orthodox party, which objects to his somewhat liberal views, but the selection of this eminent scholar, whose services as the historian of Christian dogma are appreciated in both hemispheres, is warmly approved by the whole body of German scholars. He has attained this eminence at the exceptionally early age of 49.

Caleb Powers and Number "13."

Powers, the Kentuckian convicted of complicity in the murder of Goebel, may be excused if he put some faith in the idea that thirteen is an unlucky number. He was nominated for office June 13, 1899; arraigned July 13, 1900, as one of thirteen conspirators named; was defended by thirteen lawyers; his sweetheart was the thirteenth witness; the evidence showed that 1,300 soldiers were ready to defend him; he gave Culton \$1,300 to pay the expenses of the mountaineers; he took \$1,300 with him when he fled; the evidence closed Aug. 13.

From the Country That Never Held Slaves.

An Interesting Letter From Mr. Linsey in Canada.

Yorkton, Assiniboia, N. W. T. Canada, July 31.—Mr. Davies; Dear Sir:—Excuse me for not writing sooner, as I thought I would wait and see how I got along before I did. We are all well and doing well, and hope this will find you and family the same. I got here safe and sound and have a good crop this year. My wheat and oats are looking fine, and I have a good crop of potatoes. I would like for you to encourage and help my friend Bakion to come on. I have broke about 15 acres and have 50 acres under fence this spring. I would like for you to have a few lines of this dropped in the colored paper there for the sake of our people and oblige me if you please. I find this country better than it is mased out—the only country for a poor man. When I landed here I had only 30 cents, but I realize what I have now is worth over \$200. I am the man who waited there for my wife to send me \$5.00 from Mt. Pleasant. I guess I will close. Hoping to hear from you soon, I remain

Yours Truly, MR. THOMAS LINDSAY, Yorkton, Canada

M. K. & T. REDUCES RATES IN INDIAN TERRITORY.

Every since the construction of the M. K. & T. Ry. through the Indian Territory its local passenger rate between stations in the Indian Territory has been on the basis of five cents a mile. The customary rate of passenger fares on railroads, except in sparsely settled country, is three cents a mile. The population of the Indian Territory during the past few years has grown rapidly; there has been a large increase in passenger traffic on this account, and the Katy officials, recognizing the wants of the people and the justice of so doing, have voluntarily arranged to reduce the local passenger rate to a basis of three cents a mile. This reduction will take place on or about November first. There will be great rejoicing among the residents along the line of the M. K. & T.

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LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR.

Sketch of the Career of the Hon. Daniel H. McMillan.

The birthplace of Col. D. H. McMillan, the new lieutenant governor of Manitoba, was in the county of Ontario, near the town of Whitby, in the Province of Ontario. The years of his boyhood and early manhood, however, were spent in the town of Collingwood. He received his education in the public schools and the collegiate institute of that town and in the city of Toronto. His early ambitions were largely towards military life; and it was his cherished desire to enter the British army. He took a course of training in the military schools of Toronto, where he was eminently successful, obtaining first class certificates in both the infantry and the cavalry schools. He was identified with military organizations in Ontario for a number of years, and served there during the Fenian raids at Niagara in 1864, and at Port Colborne in March and Fort Erie in June, 1866. In 1870 he was selected for the position of captain in the first Red River expedition under Colonel Wollseley. The young captain remained in Winnipeg with the force for a year, and returned to Ontario in the summer of 1871. Coming to Manitoba again in 1874, Mr. McMillan engaged in Winnipeg in the milling and grain business, with which he remained connected from 1875 until three or four years ago. He built, in 1870, the first flour mill ever erected in the province; and, in the following year, exported to Minneapolis the first shipment, as a commercial transaction, of Manitoba's wheat. He did not, meanwhile, lose his interest in military matters, but was ready for active service whenever troops were required. He was major of the Ninetieth Battalion until just before the Northwest rebellion in 1885, when he resigned, intending to give up military affairs; but when the trouble broke out, the old martial spirit was revived, and he organized, along with Col. Scott, the Ninety-fifth Battalion, and went with that force to the Northwest. He was then senior major, but was afterwards in command of the battalion.—Montreal Herald and Star.

Molten Wood in France.

Molten wood is a new invention by Mr. de Gall, inspector of forests at Lemur, France. By means of dry distillation and high pressure the escape of developing gases is prevented, thereby reducing the wood to a molten condition. After cooling off the mass assumes the character of coal, yet without showing a trace of the organic structure of that mineral. This new body is hard, but can be shaped and polished at will; is impervious to water and acids, and is a perfect electrical non-conductor. Great results are expected from this new discovery.—United States Consular Reports.

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MARRIED WITHOUT COAT.

But He Had to Wait Fifty Years for His Bride's Consent.

The whirligig of time that eventually makes all things even made it possible for both Thomas Hartigan and Susan Thompson to keep their vows that prevented them for half a century from marrying, and yet permitted them, only a week ago, to wed after all. Fifty years ago Thomas Hartigan, in a sort of boyish prank, declared that he should marry in his shirt sleeves. His bride, Susan Thompson, went to the church on her wedding day, never thinking that her lover was serious in what he said, but when he appeared at the altar and declared that he should never marry except in his shirt sleeves, then she said she would never marry him if he did not put on a coat. So there was no wedding. All this happened in the Cascade valley, near Renova, Pa. After winning wealth in California Hartigan returned to the Cascade valley three years ago. Susan Thompson was still there. They talked of marrying, but each was still firm in the declaration in regard to the shirt sleeves they had made 50 years ago. Last summer the shirtwaist man appeared. Thomas Hartigan decided that if he wore a shirtwaist at his wedding he would be fulfilling his vow of marrying in his shirt sleeves to the letter. Miss Thompson decided that fashion had given the shirt waist the dignity of a coat, and that she could marry a man wearing a shirt waist without breaking her vow never to marry Tom Hartigan unless he wore a coat. And so they were married, and Tom Hartigan wore the most elaborate shirt waist that the storekeeper in Renova could get in Philadelphia. So the male shirtwaist has not lived in vain.

WOMEN MAY WOO.

So One of Them Thinks, and Expresses Herself.

Of course women have to dispose of themselves in marriage, but should the woman ever propose? asks a masculine writer. Sometimes, even when it is not leap year, they should. There is first of all the case of queens; they must do so, and very prettily did Queen Victoria fulfill the task, says the Washington Post.

But the sex is so good-natured in helping lame dogs over a stile! An Irish girl did it in this way. She thought that her boy was slow in coming to the point, so she said, "If I were you, Jack, and you were me, we'd be married long ago." Another shy man said to the lady of his choice: "I wish we were on such terms of intimacy that you wouldn't mind calling me by my first name." "Oh," she answered, "your second is good enough for me." Shakespeare's heroines are remarkably ready to take the initiative in this most serious business, Helena demands the hand of Bertram as the price of her wonder-working prescription. Desdemona hints broadly that she is to be had for the asking. Miranda tells her patient logman that she is his wife if he will marry her. Olivia says to her lover's masquerading messenger:

"Would you undertake another suit, I rather hear you to solicit Than music from the spheres!"

Then, finding Sebastian himself more pliable than his fair double, she fetches a priest to make sure of him while he is in the humor. Juliet, caught thinking aloud, declares her willingness to lay her fortunes at Romeo's feet if he will but say when and where the holy man shall make them one.

Refining Petroleum.

The refining of petroleum is an interesting process. The petroleum is put into a tank, under which is a slow fire, burning the gas from the oil itself. As the latter warms up, the vapors pass through a long pipe, and are cooled in the process, condensing it into liquid again. The first thing that "comes over" is a gas which is used as a fuel in the works. Next, the varying grades of naphtha; next (the product becoming heavier and heavier all the time), the gasoline grades, then the low-test kerosenes, then the high-grade kerosenes. Then comes a long list of heavier oils, ending with the heaviest and thickest of lubricants. There is left in the tank paraffine and a black, dense, sticky substance which is little more than asphalt. From these bi-products, after the refining of oil, are made more than 150 substances of value, including such familiar things as dyes, soap, vaseline, ointment, and chewing gum.

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