

EMERALD MINES.

They Were Lost for Centuries, but Have Been Rediscovered.

What are known as the emerald mines of Cleopatra lie in the mountain range that extends for a long distance parallel to the Red sea and a few leagues west of its coast...

AS TRUE AS GOSPEL.

There is always compensation. Our angels go out that our archangels may come in. Unhappy is the man for whom his own mother has not made all other mothers venerable.

It is poor wit who lives by borrowing the words, decisions, mein, inventions and actions of others. What an absurd thing it is to pass over the valuable parts of a man, and fix our attentions on his infirmities.

A greater value should be set on having received instructive and useful lessons than of possessing great store of wealth; for the latter is transitory good, the former is durable.

COLD INDEED.

Some of the Odd Tricks of Liquid Air. Liquid air is, perhaps, the coldest thing in the world. It is so cold that a cake of ice is like a fierce fire as compared with it, for a kettle of liquid air placed on a cake of ice will boil just as water boils over a hot fire.

SHOT AND SHELL.

Honor is not in honors. Good morals make the best manners. A man must be greater than his work.

The church that upholds the world cannot uplift it. The devil never misses the church business meeting.

Greatness is not in being lifted up but in growing up. The kingliest are those who are kin to the King of Kings.

The wrath of God is like that of the sunlight with darkness or dirt. If the Gospel is impracticable here, then heaven is impossible there.

Christ would not shield you from storm, but he can save you from wreck. They who live on public opinion will probably die of popular opprobrium.

It is sad when we are not on good enough terms with God to call Him Father. He who is crowned by his conscience cares not if he is condemned by the crowd.

He who resolves to be better, expecting to fail, surely he shall not be disappointed. The spendthrift who is always spending upon himself is as selfish and mean as the miser.

The man who places the highest things first will be the first to get the highest place. It is folly to ask pity for your pains as long as you continue to make your couch on the devil's thorn bush.

God will reward some according to the sheaves they bear and some according to the seed they have scattered.

Deeds are the only measure of our days.—Ram's Horn.

SOCIAL PHILOSOPHY.

Heed not the blusterer; beware of the silent man. A new-born babe has no past and its future is uncertain.

Teeth resemble verbs; they are regular, irregular and defective. Absence may increase true love, but it is rough on the counterfeiter.

A miser is a great lover of generosity—in everybody except himself. Women either love or hate; there is no happy medium in their affections.

With the exception of success some people willingly forgive anything in a friend. No man's ability should be rated by what he finishes and not by what he attempts.

Few men have sufficient confidence in their own veracity to believe all they say. Adam was probably created in the afternoon—at least it was a little before Eve.

The more blunders a man makes the more expert he becomes in framing apologies. The coat of a horse is the gift of nature. The coat of a donkey is often the work of a tailor.

A lot of different tools come under the head of sin, but a lie is the handle that fits them all.

Old men often give advice to young men—and they also give up money to confidence men occasionally.

A wise old tiller of the soil speaking of the relative value of grains says grains of common sense are the most valuable.

It is folly to attempt to please everybody. It matters not in which direction a man faces he must of necessity turn his back on half the world.

The farmer of today reads the papers and refuses to invest in "gold bricks," but he steps up to the polls and votes for the candidate who promises the impossible, just as he always did.

WHEN SUMMER COMES.

Tucks will again be in evidence. Lace gowns will be worn as of yore for both day and evening.

Hip yokes, both deep and narrow, will be a feature of skirts of gowns.

Dotted muslins in solid colors with contrasting dots will flourish in feminine favor.

White duck or butcher's linen will be used for the shirtwaist for strictly tailor-made wear.

Crushed raspberry and dark and light faded blue will be the popular shades in colored shirtwaists.

Lovely edgings and insertions from Vienna, Lyons and Paris will charmingly adorn warm weather toilettes.

Practical gowns will be of chambray, linen crash, denim and other firm wash goods, trimmed with white or colored pique or embroidery.

White and tinted chiffon, in the forms of various kinds of flowers, some with jeweled centers and petals simulating dewdrops, will be used on handsome evening round hats.

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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.

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.

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 much in the same manner as flour is bolted.

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.

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.

White House Visitor.

About 900 persons a day on average visit the white house the year round. The number rises sometimes to 1,500 to 2,000, and the hours for visitors are not many, being from 10 a. m. to 2 p. m. In spite of this constant tread the beautiful old-gold figured carpet in the east room looks as well as when it was first put down.

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