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Advancing years, any disease, loss of pointment, and general debility, are the causes of thinning hair, and the hair falling out.

It stimulates the nutritive organs to healthy activity, and preserves both the hair and the scalp.

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POETRY.

THE TICK OF THE CLOCK AT MIDNIGHT.

'Tis the tick of the clock at midnight, Solemnly, startlingly clear, Like the throbs of a fevered pulsation Made audible to the ear.

Through the hours of death-like silence, The death-like silence of sleep, While the fragments of time, like meteors, Pass flashing across the deep.

At last a man rose up whose noble aspect, A man of high rank arrived at the rest of the assemblage, and betrayed his high rank.

The pastor began to read the letter in a low, earnest voice, and his eyes were fixed on the ground.

Reverend Sir, be good enough to follow me immediately to my study, to perform a marriage ceremony, and the bride already await you in the church.

He remained for some time bewildered and confused, uncertain whether he should obey the summons.

He turned around, and he heard a murmur and sound of many voices in a tongue unknown to him, but which he supposed to be Russian.

LETTER FROM ROBERT BEVERLY, ESQ., ON THE PUBLIC DEBT.

Editors Dispatch: The importance of the communication addressed to the people of the State in your issue of the 23rd, together with the general endorsement which now were placed upon it, most heavenly expression, she lay like an angel.

The pastor found himself in duty bound to report this strange occurrence to the Bishop, and in consequence he went for the purpose to Copenhagen.

WHAT EDISON SAYS OF HIS ELECTRIC LIGHT.—A World reporter who was called on Edison on Wednesday of last week found him in the reverse of ecstasies over the intricacies of the English patent laws.

I tell you what it is, I've got this thing down now, and I'm getting it down finer every day. At the beginning there were two problems to be solved.

A GLORIOUS OPPORTUNITY.—The State of Virginia has enjoyed and improved many opportunities for putting herself in the position of a leader of her sister States.

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THE MYSTERIOUS MARRIAGE.

One night in the early part of the eighteenth century the old and respectable pastor of the village of Norwidge, in the island of Iceland, sat in his study, lost in devotional meditation.

The pastor's lamp burned dim, the soft light of the moon in a corner, and a visible emotion, transient as the distant lightning flash, appeared on his face.

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FACTS ABOUT THE BILLS.—The Bible contains 66 books, 1,189 chapters, 31,173 verses, 773,822 words, and 5,386,488 letters.

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POULTRY RAISING FOR PROFITS.

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FARM AND HOUSEHOLD.

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