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Every owner of a fine horse is aware of the fact that the utmost care must be taken of it in order to keep the animal in prime condition for the work he has to do.

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"Oh, God! God!"

How weary, stale, flat and unprofitable seem to me all the uses of this world!

And still it is doubtful if ever those words fell from the lips of a Booth or a Kean without finding an echo in the heart of more than one man in their immense audience; and not always of men who had drained the cup of pleasure to the dregs, either.

Nor is it always in the sense we have been considering that a man may live too fast, and so break down in health and mind long before old age comes.

some grand cathedral, while ignoring the architect who planned it, and the men who laid its solid foundations several centuries ago.

It may seem ungracious to speak of women in connection with this subject, but truth compels the confession that not a few of them are living at a pace that kills, though it may not always be apparent to casual observers.

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Burning a Bribe.

A good story is told of General Ludlow, of Havana, who was at one time in charge of contracts for some government work.

An Irishman who had been doing government work for some years paid a visit to Ludlow and introduced himself, slyly laying down on his card a crisp fifty-dollar bill.

Ludlow, however, neither affected to ignore the incident nor lost his temper over it. On the contrary, he looked at the card and remarked pleasantly, "So you are Mr. Patrick Flaherty?"

"That is my name, sor," answered the visitor.

"And you have called to see me about getting some contract work for the government?"

"I have, sor," said Ludlow. "Well, Mr. Flaherty," said Ludlow. "We can talk more freely over a cigar. Do you smoke?"

He drew from his pocket two cigars, handed one to the contractor, and put the other between his own lips.

E. E. Turner, Compton, Mo., was cured of piles by DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve after suffering seventeen years and trying over twenty remedies.

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Bits About Weaving.

BY ELIZABETH CUMMINGS.

We do not know how Joseph's coat was made, but as the phrase used means also "a beautiful garment," "a coat coming to the feet and hands," it is probable that it was woven.

In the tombs of the kings the rainless air of upper Egypt has preserved for us pictures of looms used three thousand years ago.

The weaver's art must have been well understood when the tabernacle was furnished in the wastes of Sinai.

According to Pliny the Phrygians invented embroidering with the needle; Babylon was famous for its embroideries in many colors, and Alexandria invented weaving in many colors.

Embroideries and tapestries were articles of commerce. In Ezekiel we read of fine linen with embroidery "from Egypt."

The goddess of the "upper air," of wisdom, and the protector of civic liberty, Athene, taught the daughters of earth to spin, weave, and embroider, so the Greeks believed, and there is something very poetic and charming in the fancy that the most mighty daughter of Zeus was the inventor and teacher of such homely arts.

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which shuts out the cold from the home of the humble, and the cheap web of cotton which makes what was once the luxury of princes the everyday comfort of the laborer.—Forward.

No Changes in Climate.

This subject is of extreme interest, and merits a most thorough study. We find the "early" and the "latter" rain to-day in Palestine precisely as described 3,500 years ago.

Plants taken from mummy cases in Egypt, which must have been gathered more than 5,000 years since, are practically the same size and are of the same appearance as those growing to-day.

It is entirely probable that descriptions of the cold in ancient times were much exaggerated. Parnassus and Socrates have snow at times, and in earlier days, when protection against the cold snow was much less than now a little snow would go a long way.

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Dog Understood the Conversation.

A collie, Roger, who belonged to a Kentucky man, has given remarkable proof of understanding conversation. His master and his guests were sitting on the veranda after the mid-day dinner and Roger lay stretched out upon the lawn nearby.

"And he is as clever as he is handsome," said his master. "Every evening he goes to the pasture and brings up the cows. He never needs any one to remind him of his duty and he never neglects it."

During this eulogy Roger lay apparently sound asleep. No one paid any further attention to him and the conversation turned upon other subjects. Suddenly a commotion was heard, the jingling of a bell, a joyous barking, and there, before the gate, stood the whole herd of Alderneys, roused from their noon siesta and driven home at that unwatched hour by the over-zealous Roger, thirsting for still greater praise.

"What do you mean?" his master shouted, knowing that the dog must be roundly rebuked. "You rascal! Take those cows back to the pasture instantly. What do you mean by bringing them up at this time of the day?"

The light died out of Rogers' dancing eyes; tail and ears dropped in mortification. Dazed and as much astonished as the cows could be, he rounded up the herd, they faced about and went solemnly down the lane again and back to the pasture, the too-officious Roger timing his feet to the ding-dong, cling-clang of the leader's bell.—New York Sun.

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