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How to Make Tea.

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Iron in Mineral Deposits

A number of letters, mostly from the West, have been sent to the General Land Office Commissioner at Washington, inquiring the proper course to pursue to obtain title to public lands which contain valuable deposits of borax, carbonate and nitrate of soda, sulphur, alum and asphalt.

As to the term "mineral," the Commissioner says that all the works on mineralogy consulted by him include borax, nitrate and carbonate of soda, sulphur, alum and asphalt among the minerals. A careful examination leads him to the conclusion that a "valuable mineral deposit" is whatever is recognized by the standard authorities as a mineral, and mineral land is where the mineral is found in quality and quantity to render the land more valuable for agricultural purposes.

NEWSPAPER SCALLAWAG.

Among the hangers-on with the Yellowstone expedition was one Harry Dashiell, representing himself as a correspondent of the New York Herald and the Minneapolis Tribune. On the strength of these representations young Dashiell was allowed to accompany the expedition, and from the officers received all the courtesies usual to members of the press.

Since the above was in type we learn that Dashiell, while in this town, before the starting out of the expedition, borrowed from W. B. Shaw & Co., merchants here, \$40 in cash, and secured credit to the amount of \$30, on the strength of a draft on the Herald, that Mr. Shaw sent on the draft, and received in reply the statement that they knew no such person.

SAFE BANKERS.—One of the most remarkable features of our present financial disturbances, if not of all past convulsions, is that not one Jewish bank or banker has suspended, and this leads to a consideration of the general fact that in Europe they are regarded by leading statesmen as the most clear-headed and reliable financiers.

Being eminently conservative, they never lose their self-poise, so essential to financial transactions. They never speculate on the future, and more important than all else, they never destroy their own business by suffering their own patrons to perish for the want of timely succor on proper securities.

Bankers should not lose sight of the fact that it is their province to lend money to legitimate business men, and not to invest their capital and deposits in stocks, and thus tie up or send away the currency on which the people rely for the every day transactions of life.

The Boston Transcript wants to know what made Dan's life go back on the old man. Was the discontent of Dan's life?

"Bill Arp" writes: Gentlemen there is one thing about drinking. I almost wish every man was a reformed drunkard. No man who has never drunk liquor knows what a luxury cold water is. I have got up in the night in cold weather after I had been speering around and gone to the well bawling with thirst, feeling like the gallow and the grave, and the infernal regions were too good for me, and when I took the bucket in my hands, and with my elbows trembling like I had the shakings, put the water to my lips, it was the most delicious, satisfying, luxurious draft that ever went down my throat.

I have stood there and drank until I could drink no more, and gone back to bed thinking God for the pure, innocent and cooling beverage, and cursing myself from my inmost soul for ever touching the accused whisky. In my torture of mind and body I have made vows and promises, and broken them within a day. But if you want to know the luxury of cold water get drunk and keep at it until you get on fire, and then try a bucketful at the well in the middle of the night.

THE DEAD BABY.—It was a tiny little thing as it lay in its coffin, and the people who looked at it with the eyes of strangers, wondered why the parents were so loth to give it up. Its small hands were meekly crossed over the breast; the best little dress its poor mother could afford was placed on its form, and then the undertaker came and carried it away out of the city. The head that once found no harder resting place than the breast of the mother; the idol of the household; the petted darling of the family circle; it must go with a strange, rough man, to be laid in a bed to itself. And, oh! such a bed! In the cemetery along with people who have been dead for years; with fresh corpses and all manner of men. Yet it is inexorable. Its sweet form would soon become loathsome to the sight and oppressive to the senses.

USES OF WASTE PAPER.—Waste paper can be made to perform a variety of service in household economy. And surface like a stove or grate requiring blacking can be kept bright for a long time by being rubbed daily with waste paper. Windows, or any glass surface that has been thoroughly washed, can be wiped and polished with pieces of white newspaper. Tin that has been scoured, or silver that has been rubbed, can be brightened in the same way.

During a meeting of the Concord Baptist Association at Owenton, Kentucky, last week, a certain preacher delivered a sermon that deeply touched a good old Democrat in the audience, and an Owen County Democrat, be it known, is of the purest breed. On being told that the preacher had once been a "Yankee" General, he seemed wonder struck. At the close of the sermon he approached the preacher, and taking him by the hand, said:—"They tell me you were a Yankee General in the Federal army?" "Yes," was the reply, "and I always tried to do my duty." "A Yankee and converted?" "Yes." "And a preacher of the gospel?" "Yes." "Well, well," said he, "I am glad you will never cease."

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The most important thing in brewing a cup of tea consists in having the water in the tea-kettle freshly boiled, and one should never use that which has been steaming and stewing for several hours. So turn out all the water in your kettle and fill it up with fresh, pure water; then boil it up briskly, and as soon as the steam appears, turn a small quantity of water into the teapot, and shake it about in it. Then pour it out and add one teaspoonful of tea for each person who will drink from the pot, and one teaspoonful for the pot (this is the old rule of our grandmother). Over this pour one large coffee-cup of boiling water, and for breakfast tea let it boil exactly ten minutes; boil hard. But for green and Sapan teas proceed as above, and then place the teapot on the back part of the stove or upon the elevated reservoir for water, and let it steep from five to eight minutes. Tea made from freshly boiled water and steeped in this manner is an entirely different beverage from that prepared in any other way. In water, when first boiled, there is always a small amount of alkali, which seems to have a peculiar effect in extracting the pleasant properties of the tea; and I can tell the instant I taste a cup of tea whether the water has just boiled or been boiling for even half an hour.—[Ex.]

It is not often that we hear of a mother-in-law killing her son-in-law with a hatchet or gun. Their style of murder is generally more insidious, but no less deadly. Mrs. John D. Dickerson, of Lamar county, Texas, shot her son-in-law, Robert Little, for abusing his wife and following her to Mrs. Dickerson's house. He went around a corner and fell dead. Mrs. Dickerson has been held in \$1,000 bail.

FROM measurements made by Gen. Rosser it is found that the average width of the Yellowstone is 1,200 feet—its rate about six miles an hour. It is 700 feet above the Missouri river at Bismarck. It has a fall of two feet to the mile, which gives it its rapid current. The average depth is three and a half feet.

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