

It is stated that the big cigar trust is now an accomplished fact. Put that in your pipe and smoke it.

In addition to the horseless carriage and all that class of improvements we now have the wireless yacht race.

Whatever the future of arbitration may be Venezuela will have less ground than ever for believing in its efficacy.

They are very rich men who are back of yacht racing, and yet it is evident when it comes to some things even they can't raise the wind.

Students of hygiene now recommend that salt be rubbed on the head. This would appear an unusually appropriate usage in some cases.

Forming a society for sick and indigent pugilists means coming to their aid when they drop out and not when they are merely put out.

It is unethical and unprofessional for a physician to have a big card in the newspaper, but he can have as big a sign over his office door as he likes.

An Eastern medical society is very enthusiastic over goat's lymph as a cure for insanity. The ordinary individual will be disposed to try goat's milk a while in preference.

Electricity is now said to be stored in capsules and taken inwardly. As a form of light non-alcoholic wine and seem to have advantages over the candle idea of the Russians.

It has taken the Cubans just nine months to acquire the great American habit of striking. No one seems to know how long it will take them to acquire the still greater American habit of hustling.

The "smart boy" stock is barely par nowadays. Admiral Dewey being got through the naval academy at the foot of the class. And Capt. Carter, in prison for embezzlement, passed West Point with the highest honors ever given to a cadet.

Rudyard Kipling's house up in Brattleboro is for sale, which is taken as an indication that he has finally given up his purpose of residing in America. Still, the great glory of Vermont will abide with her. She will still be the native State of the great admiral.

Oysters of fine flavor, and sometimes growing to the length of a foot, are found at Yezo, one of the northern islands of Japan. Looking to the future food supply, fifty barrels of these bivalves will be planted in the tidewaters of Oregon and Washington, by a private company, acting on behalf of the National Fish Commission. Let the Pacific coast get ready to smack its lips in the twentieth century. But think of ordering one oyster for two persons!

"Perfectly" and "awfully" are two of the hardest worked and worst used words in the English language. They are applied hundreds of times every day to things that are far from perfect, and that inspire no feeling of awe. If people will use strong terms on weak occasions, and exploit their superlatives when even sub-positive degrees of comparison would cover the ground, what resources of speech will be left to describe real excellence and sublimity, or real wrongs and tragedies?

The pardon of Captain Dreyfus by the French government, unconditionally brought to a definite close, so far as judicial proceedings are concerned, all action on the part of the unfortunate Jew, or on the part of his friends. Neither is any case pending, and probably no case can be made up, which will permit the taking of further sworn evidence touching the guilt or innocence of the accused man. He has legally been pronounced guilty; but by the pardon he is morally pronounced not guilty. The "strong reasons" found by the verdict contradicted the formal verdict of the court, for there can be no circumstances that extenuate treason. The government completes the contradiction by pardoning the man, if he were guilty his offense was so great that a pardon could not be merited. With a moral vindication Dreyfus must be content. The civilized world believes him innocent.

In charging the Grand Jury of Newark, N. J., which had before it two cases involving the crime of manslaughter in connection with fast cycle collisions, Justice Deane stated propositions of general interest. After defining criminal negligence to be such, in the management or in the speed of the wheel, as shows a want of regard for human life, he pointed out that the plea of contributory negligence as a defense has no application to cases of this kind. That is reserved for civil actions. "No matter," said the Judge, "how careless the man who is injured may be, if from the result of the collision death ensues, if the jurors find upon the case disclosed that the person by whose act that death was caused was guilty of criminal negligence, an indictment may be found, because the object of the law is to protect human life and safety." The second point made by the New Jersey judge is that the bicyclist cannot avoid responsibility by the claim that he rang his bell, blew his whistle or in any other way signalled his approach. Compliance with the ordinance requiring such signal is no excuse for fast or otherwise reckless riding in crowded streets.

Count Leo Tolstoy says that the way to end war is for men to refuse to fight. There being no one to fight, there could be no fighting. That is a proposition that admits of no dispute. On the same principle the way to end all labor troubles would be for men to stop working. It also applies to the correction of the divorce evil, men to stop marrying. It solves the perplexing servant girl question by the suggestion, don't have servants. The money question can best be settled by not having any money. According to the Tolstoy plan, all government questions can be easily avoided, i. e., don't have a government. But men have a purpose in working and war is not without its purpose that no other means could accomplish. Marriage is a necessity to be used and not abused for the preservation of the social system and so does war. Money serves a purpose and so does war, and so long as those purposes are necessary to be served, so long will money and war be necessities. The need of government is undeniable, notwithstanding

that it is frequently attempted to deny its need and war is at times as essential as government. The Tolstoy millennium has arrived several centuries ahead of time.

The Treasury Department is preparing to issue a new series of notes, \$1, \$2 and \$5 in denomination, and all of a new and more artistic pattern than the present issues. The notes, however, will not be constructed solely from an artistic point of view, but will be left blank first, in order to show the fibers of the paper better, and secondly, because this arrangement brings out the engraved designs more vividly and clearly. One trouble with the art notes is that their designs confuse the eye, making it actually more easy for a counterfeit to pass. The paper money about to be issued, on the other hand, is almost severely plain. An eagle with outspread wings is the principal ornament of the face of the \$1 silver certificate, a portrait of Lincoln being engraved beneath it. The figure '1' and the treasury seal are in bright blue and both seal and denominational number will be of this color on all of the new certificates, as that the latter may be distinguished at a glance from United States notes and bank notes. The \$2 certificate has a head of Washington. The idea the engraving experts have had in mind in preparing designs for the new notes is that they may be made handsome by a few scattered fragments of design very elaborate and difficult to counterfeit. Hence the new bills will have comparatively simple patterns on their backs, but the general lattice work will be very ornate and elaborate in its intricacies in order to prevent counterfeiting.

MISS ANTHONY RETIRES. She Relinquishes Presidency of Suffrage Societies. The great champion of woman suffrage has at last met an enemy she cannot conquer. She will be 80 years old on Friday, and because of her great age, she has announced her retirement from the position of President of the National Association of Woman Suffrage Societies, with which she has been connected either as President or Vice President since 1893.

Susan B. Anthony began to teach a country school at the age of 15, receiving pay \$1.50 a week and "board round." For fifteen years she remained

at a school, doing much to make the profession recognized as equal in importance and dignity with the other liberal professions. Then she took up the work of temperance, and for two years devoted all her energies to it. Then she became convinced that without the best woman was power to change present conditions. Since then she has been the one leader in that cause. From 1856 until the final abolition of slavery she was prominent as an abolitionist. For ten years between 1870 and 1880 she advocated her rights every week in the interest of woman suffrage. As a partial result of her efforts women are now allowed to vote on questions involving the public schools in many States, while in Colorado, Idaho, Utah and Wyoming they have an equal right with the men to the suffrage on all questions.

Chalk Mark on His Coat Got Him in Trouble with Everybody. There is a story of an evasive tailor current with the French peasantry. He looked a little like a thief, who received a pension for the loss of an arm while fighting for his country, was better off than himself. Both men went to pay their rent on the same day, says the Youth's Companion.

"That's a lucky man," said the tailor to the landlord. "He gets well paid for his arm."

"But who would be willing to part with an arm, even if he were paid for it?" said the landlord.

"I would," declared the tailor.

"You would?" said the landlord. "Why, man, you wouldn't be willing to be anything of the sort no matter how much you were paid for it?"

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FARMS AND FARMERS

The sweet elder sold in stores is kept sweet by putting in it salicylic acid, which is very injurious to the stomach. Some city people buy apples to be made into cider for their own use from time to time, while the apples can be kept in condition. But the farmer can do this much better than the city man. To the latter the apple pomace left after the bagasse has been pressed is worthless refuse. The farmer can pour water over the pressed bagasse, and after leaving it a few hours can press from it a liquid that will be better vinegar than he can buy. He can also mix grain meal with the bagasse after its last pressing, and thus make excellent additional feed for winter stock hogs, or growing cattle not giving milk, and even of horses. All are fond of it when it is mixed with grain meal, if too much is not given. Thus the apple pomace, that the city dweller is made in large quantities is wasted, will all be utilized. A one-horse steam power will do the work, and can also be used in doing many more things on the farm that are performed laboriously by hand. The salicylic acid is undone because they involve too much work.

Covered Sheep Yard. For the safety of a small flock of sheep a covered yard is essential. It need not be costly, but it should be well protected from the weather and have a dry floor. It is made most conveniently as an addition to a barn, so that a door may open into it from the barn floor. There may be a storage above for feed which will make it necessary to have the shed fourteen or sixteen feet in height. A shed twenty feet square will afford room enough for a flock of forty sheep; it will give sixty feet of feeding room or a foot and a half for each sheep, which is ample. The upper part may be floored over and will give room for storing feed, or for a larger flock it will be found useful for a lambing shed. The front of the yard is half open, which is most desirable for sheep, as they need fresh air and are able to withstand much cold if they are kept dry. If it is possible it is desirable to have the open side to the south.

Cow Peas in the Orchard. Growers of peaches are using cow peas in the orchard. They are sown on the land and may be turned under, when the pods are nearly ripe, or may remain as a mulch in winter. It is more profitable to use the vines for food for cattle, but at the same time, a mulch will get for the peach grower the mulch, especially when a leguminous plant answers so well. One advantage in growing the cow peas is that it is almost a sure crop, and lime or wood ashes may be used as a fertilizer on the orchard. The peach orchard will in no way be injured by growing the cow peas as long as the land is given the benefit of the crop from the manure or by plowing under.

Killing Lice on Hogs. To get rid of lice on swine the first thing to do is to clean the nest and burn it, says the National Stockman. Then mix together by agitating a pint of kerosene, a half pint of soft soap and two gallons of warm soft water, and with an old scrub broom or a spray pump thoroughly clean the place where the nest was and the sides, or use a whitewash made from fresh slaked lime. Next, the hogs should be washed with the swine. The best of all preparations for this is some of the carbolic sheep dips. The next is to use a kerosene emulsion, and apply with a broom or brush to all parts of the body.

A Movable Fence. The illustration, from the American Agriculturist, shows a panel of a fence that can be moved with great ease. The

boards of each panel overlap, at one end, the next panel. A gradually curving corner should be made with this fence, since at right angles a slight opening would be left.

So Keel Corn vs. Corn Meal. Some of the experiments at the stations in the Western States, where the use of keel corn is so common, seem to indicate that soaking corn until it is swollen and germinating gives nearly or quite as good results, for hogs at least, as does the same weight of corn meal. As it has been found that the results in favor of the corn meal have not been enough to pay the toll or price charged for grinding the corn. More thorough experiments are needed to decide the question, however, and it may depend largely upon the extent of grinding. As they appear now, a man cannot afford to carry his corn five miles to be ground, if it is ground for nothing, or to pay a heavy toll for it. But further investigation may show that the results depend upon the condition of the corn, time of soaking or other points.

Salt and Water. Sheep naturally crave salt, as do all other animals, wild or domestic, so far as we know their habits. Whether the salt has any other duty to do in the animal economy than to assist the digestion we do not know, but it is a well-known fact that grazing animals seem to need it more than carnivorous animals, and especially seem to need it when their food has a large proportion of woody fiber, more than they do when having a succulent food, like green grass, roots and clover. But when they need it, they need it. Sheep drink but little at a time, yet in winter, feeding upon dry hay, they drink very often. The water should be pure and clean. Stagnant water is often one of the causes that kill many lambs, and if not fatal to older sheep, will keep them weak and in poor condition.

Rains - preeding Potato Rot. Whenever much rain falls before the potato crop is dug there is always more or less rotting of the tubers. Most of the new varieties set near the surface. When digging those where the rains have wet down to them will usually be found badly rotted, while those that have set lower down will be found entirely sound. Most of all our new potatoes are hunched in the hill and when rot attacks one it spreads very rapidly if the weather is warm and moist. For this reason potatoes should be got out early before heavy rains come, which will carry the spores of disease down to the bottom of the hill. If the land is well drained, and none other should be well to grow potatoes on. Deep planting is much better than shallow, as it will cause fewer potatoes to set near the surface.

Old Strawberry Beds may be burned over as soon as the leaves die off, and by so doing many of the seeds will be consumed. The bed should then be mulched by covering with manure or straw, but the mulch need not be applied until cold weather comes. If the old bed is full of weeds it will not yield satisfactorily next year, and to burn it over will be an improvement in many respects.

Your Chance of Life. The French statistician, Dr. Livrier, says that half of all human beings die before 17, that only one person in 10,000 lives to be 100 years old and that only one person out of every 1,000 lives to be 60.

Long - I'm getting too stout for comfort, but am unable to find a remedy. Short - I said that not eating reduces surplus flesh like worry. Long - But I have nothing to worry me. Short - Well, just to help you, I'm willing to lend me ten dollars. - Chicago News.

Queer British War Vessel. The most singular vessel in the world is the Polyphemus of the British navy. It is simply a long steel tube, nearly buried in the deck rising only four feet above the sea. It carries no masts or sails and is used as a ram and torpedo-boat.

Always a Mystery. It will always be a mystery to many why the President, who was in possession of the facts recited by Attorney General Griggs in his review of the Carter case, allowed the ebullient lawyer to wear the uniform of a regular officer in the United States army, wear side arms and exercise authority over his own men and subalterns, and force his presence upon other officers of the army, when he knew his offense and had the evidence before him. - Salt Lake Herald.

Tied by the Philippine Crime. President McKinley cannot interfere, by order of arbitration, between Great Britain and the Transvaal. He cannot put himself in the attitude of deploring

the conquest of coveted territory by Great Britain, while engaging the country in a war of conquest for like aggrandizement. His arms affect horror at the shooting of Hovea in South Africa for the purpose of establishing the suzerainty of Great Britain over that republic, while killing Filipino in Luzon for the purpose of establishing the sovereignty of the United States over the Philippines. All this follows ruling the Declaration of Independence out of court. - Pittsburg Post.

"Beneficent Slavery." Commissioner Schurman on his return from the Philippines, relative to that peculiar institution in the Sulu Islands. He has the nerve to claim that it is different from his plain, ordinary chattel slavery which brought on the civil war. He cherishes cheerfully that the Sulu slaves are to be permitted to buy their own freedom if they want to. Why disturb such a convenient system? It is like the complacent argument of arrogant wealth, "that every American farmer and workman can become a millionaire." This remarkable statement of President Schurman has opened the eyes of many people to the meaning of imperialism. If slavery is "beneficent" in the Philippines and contract labor is "necessary" in the Hawaiian Islands, the argument should be good for their re-establishment in the United States. If the Constitution can be openly violated in our newly acquired possessions, why not in this country? The negroes are already under Schurman's suave defense. McKinley loses the negro vote in the Northern States, as well as that of the anti-imperialists and those Republicans who still object to slavery, he will make rather a sorry showing in the next presidential election.

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A Belgian Naturalist's Night in the Toilets Rutas of Quebec. "When I was collecting specimens of plants and animals in Zacatecas," said the noted Dr. Maximilian Schurman, "I had an experience with rattlesnakes which came near being the death of me."

The doctor is the Belgian explorer and naturalist who went through Africa, and in telling of his adventures he said: "I had gone a day's journey on horseback from the city of Zacatecas to the southeast to examine some old Toilets ruins there. These are known as the Quezacoatl. They are very extensive. I got there late at night. I had shot a couple of deer on the way and had thrown them across my pack animal.

"On my arrival within the ruins I lit a fire to get my supper, after which I spread my blankets and lay down. In the morning when I woke up I threw my hand outside of the blanket and it almost touched a big, poisonous rattlesnake. I escaped by the merest chance. Looking toward my feet, what was my astonishment to see rattlesnakes all over the blankets. There were no less than six of them besides the one that missed my hand.

"The reptiles were not the crotaulus horridus, or diamond crotaulus, known by having a diamond-shaped head, found in the hot regions. They are very poisonous. When I had lit my fire in the evening I could not see the snakes, which, I presume, had crept along the walls.

"The altitude of Zacatecas and the old ruins were 7,000 feet above sea level, and it gets quite cold at night. My feet were what undoubtedly attracted them. When they got out toward it they found my bed, and discerning the warm blankets, crawled up on them and went to sleep. They have always thought it was almost miraculous that I escaped being bitten. As I did not want the snakes, having already all I wanted, I killed them and nailed them all to the adobe wall, with my card on each.

"The lizards and other reptiles which I got there I salted away in casks and believed among the Indians, notably among the Creoles, Cherokees and Chocomas in Indian territory, where I was for some time, that one bitten by a rattlesnake all he has to do to prevent fatality is to eat the snake. But I never discovered any virtue in this. The best remedy is to immediately bind a thing above the wound, so that the poison cannot circulate higher, then cut an incision below the wound and squeeze out as much blood as possible. Then, if to the blood is made an application of potash or any alkali, there is almost no danger.

"I got the best collection of reptiles from Mexico and forwarded them to Europe that has ever been seen here. The rattlesnakes were so plentiful that they could be seen by thousands and thousands." - San Francisco Call.

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Where the Trouble Is. "Yes," he said, as he got up to kindle the kitchen fire, "love's young dream is all right so far as it goes, but the trouble is it is only a dream." - Chicago Post.

THE PEOPLE'S DAY

President McKinley is overworking Providence and the flag. In forty-six speeches delivered by the Chief Executive in his swing around the circle he had used the word "Providence" exactly 104 times. In Dakota the other day, the President said: "Providence" is a good, large, mouth-filling word, it has not been quite so popular with the President as the phrase "the flag." This, McKinley had used when he reached the conclusion of his forty-sixth speech just 170 times. In Dakota the other day, the President said: "In the Providence of God, who works in mysterious ways, this great archipelago was put into our lap." This is a reverential way of looking at it, perhaps, but it is to be observed that Providence didn't send that check for \$20,000,000 to Spain to pay the bill for the lap-filling archipelago.

Doubtless the President would like to make "Providence" responsible for the whole Philippine business, the loss of lives, the vast expenditure of money, the fighting and the folly which are to come.

Commenting on this shuffle on the part of McKinley, the New York World says: "Signified as 'Providence' by McKinley might the Philippine war from Spain. Disguised as the flag, he has been and is assimilating Filipinos, with the soil of their native land. Disguised as 'Patriotism,' he is shouting for the confounding of all traitors into days of mourning against his performance as 'Providence' or his deeds as 'The Flag.'"

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Another Kind of Liberty. If the Philippines are governed by us against their will and under military force, as they must be if governed at all, they will be in a state of vassalage - which is defined as "political independence." They will be subjected to citizens; vassals, not equals. The "liberty" of which Mr. McKinley speaks is not the liberty for which the Filipinos are fighting. It is not the liberty which our Declaration of Independence included among the "unalienable rights" of "all men." No people is free which is compelled to recognize the "sovereignty" however "benign" of another nation. - New York World.

Patriotism for Aggrandizement. In one of his speeches last week President McKinley proclaimed that "this is the epoch of patriotism." It would be interesting to learn when, even in past times, in this country, the spirit of patriotism was lower than at present. In the gust of speech Mr. McKinley has inadvertently disparaged the whole glorious past of the American people in attempting to distinguish this as peculiarly the age of patriotism. There are cynics who insist that in the patriotism of this epoch there is a very large admixture of ambition, cant and self-interest. - Philadelphia Record.

Shamrock. Ireland's national emblem, the shamrock, grows in many parts of the United States. It is incidentally the same as that which flourishes on the soil of Erin. A good many people confuse the shamrock with clover, which it resembles considerably, but the shamrock is a trifoliate plant, while clover is by its small, yellow blossoms, exactly like a strawberry bloom. This blossom puts forth five little yellow leaves. Now the blossom of the clover is either red or white, and it is larger and shaped differently. The shamrock has three leaves, which, in most instances, are perfect in their heart shape, though not always so, and it grows luxuriantly in limestone regions.

Where the Trouble Is. "Yes," he said, as he got up to kindle the kitchen fire, "love's young dream is all right so far as it goes, but the trouble is it is only a dream." - Chicago Post.

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It is rather embarrassing to the gold advocates that the finance reports contain the statement that the demand for silver dollars at the treasury in Washington is so great the Government is unable to meet it. There is plenty of gold in the treasury, but the people don't want gold. They demand silver, and the administration, which is doing all it can to establish the gold standard, is forced to confess its inability to supply enough silver dollars to meet the demand. And yet with this object lesson before them the gold advocates are still plotting to cast aside silver altogether and force the nation to adopt a single gold standard.

More than this, these gold maniacs want to cancel the greenbacks and to make all coin bonds payable in gold. As a matter of fact, these money reformers are not laboring to benefit the people, but are working to establish a money trust. What they want is to substitute a non-interest-paying debt for obligations bearing interest and to change the contract of a thousand million dollars into a contract for a thousand million bonds. There is nothing stronger than coin to gold to make bondholders richer. And this is called "reforming the currency." Perhaps the people may be fooled by Republican false pretenses in 1900 as they were in 1896, but the probabilities are that they will not be bought the second time. Much has happened to enlighten voters as to the treachery of Republican politicians since the election of McKinley. Their eyes are opened, and the money trust will not succeed in its evil purposes. - Chicago Democrat.

According to the goldbugs, the greatness of the nation can consist only in its becoming a great pawnbroking establishment in partnership with England. We are a long way off from being a creditor nation, and as long as we are a producing nation we can never become ones. The goldbugs are not about this, for the producer has always been at the mercy of the middleman, who is always a non-producer. It is not supposed that England could have reached her present financial domination of the world had she not been a producing nation like the United States, for she would then have been unable to manipulate the markets of the world in accordance with her money standard. We have fallen not only under her financial domination, but we are attempting to adopt her financial policy, and this can mean only a contest between capital and labor, brought about by our condition as a producing nation. We are concentrating money and making it possible for capital to control our products and industries, the quantity and quality of the wages due labor. It is the ugly bird defouling its own nest. We are not only becoming a creditor nation, but we are becoming a nation composed of individual debtors, who will soon find it impossible to pay even the interest on their indebtedness. - C. H. Robinson.

It would be the iron rule fate if, by the time Congress assembles, Europe should be in the throes of a financial crisis caused entirely by its adherence for a quarter of a century to the gold standard, and the democratic inadequacy of the supply of that metal. It would be a strange commentary on the financial lunacy of