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After a falsehood has been accepted twenty years by the people, without general protest, it gets into the school books.—Achison Globe.

The recording of a deed in Charles Mix county, South Dakota, has brought to light two unique Indian names. The deed was executed by Grover Cleveland Surrounded and his wife, Julia Waubdiwanyaghipwin, members of what is known as the Yankton tribe of Sioux Indians, who under a recent act of congress were permitted to sell some of the land which had been allotted to them and their relatives years ago by the government.

About a year ago George Gould was expelled from the volunteer fire department of Lakewood, the fashionable suburb of New York. for nonpayment of dues. He owed just $1.25. Ever since his expulsion he has been working for reinstatement, but by way of a joke other rich members kept him out until a few days ago, when he managed to round up enough friends to secure his readmission.

"White Man's Africa"

It is said in London that "consols" can be rescued from depreciation only by "a speedy solution of the Transvaal labor problem." Thus the prosperity of the empire is held by financiers to rest upon denial of the "white man's Africa" Idea for which the Boer war ostensibly waged.

There is to be no "white man's Africa;" whether it is yellow or black is not settled, but the settlement is imminent. Humanitarian England protests, but the cry of the mine managers for laborers and of stockholders for divdends is too strong. Even patriotism is appealed to in the cry, "Rescue the consols!"

White labor in the mines is impracticable. What the owners desire and will eventually obtain is either more "forced labor"—temporary slavery—of blacks, or the importation of Chinese coolies.

The story of South Africa is characteristic of "civilization." The white men who first went there exterminated the natives—slew them in battle, caught them in caves with their women and children and stifled them with smoke. When gold and diamonds were found the black was no longer killed, but enslaved to work. Then the invaders quarreled and the British at vast cost half exterminated the Boers. Now the blacks are increasing in numbers faster than the whites, who will nearly all leave the country when the mines are worked out, leaving a tremendous problem of government. If the patient, swarming ingenious Chinaman is brought in it may in the end be a "yellow man's Africa."

In the Philippines we have the materials for a similar digraceful chapter of history—native races impoverished, a war which bids fair to be one of extermination, a "Chinese problem." Shall we insist upon carrying out the parallil?—New York World.

A Love of Reading.

Mrs. A. L. Chapman.

I think there is nothing we can do for our children's good of as much values as to instill into their minds a love of reading. A child that will read a book or apaper in preference to games will seldom go far astray.

I think parents have much responsibility in that direction. Good papers and books that interest a child, read to them until they can read themselves, have great influence on their lives. I do not mean cheap novels, or silly Sabbath School books. but reading that will be of use to the end of their lives. Most all children are interested in the lives of great and good men and women, also stories that teach kindness to all animals and birds. Of all things teach them that cruelty to animals or anything that looks to them for food and care, is one of the worst sins that humanity will have to answer for.

The more we make pets of animals the more they know and understand us. I have seen many horses that knew more than their cruel drivers. I once said to a man who had a very knowing dog, "Your dog knows almost as much as his master." His answer, was, "He knows more than I do, as I have taught him all I know, and he knows much that I never can."

Years ago at the home of a friend, I asked where the newspapers were and they said, "We hustled them out of sight when we saw you coming, for we knew we would get no visit if you got the papers." My friend said, "How do you get time to read so much?" I answered, "All the time a busy person gets is what they take. Time to read I always have, it is all the nerve food a lover of reading wants."

In our home a nice editorial, essay or lecture was carefully laid aside and in the evening read aloud to all the family, so all learned to love the best reading.

Any one can, by reading the best newspapers and magazines and studying an up-to-date dictionary, get an education that will be of use to him. Sensational and trashy literature is not attractive to a thoughtful person. The ethical teaching of a child cannot begin too early in life. The golden rule if widely applied, they need but little more; I like to put it this way. Do right because it is right to do right, not for a reward, but because it is the right thing to do.—Word & Works.

Retrenchment.

(Owing to a shrinkage of stocks in the last month. John D. Rockefeller has lost $80,000,000.—News item.)

"We must retrench," the prexie grieved.
"Our monthly gift we've not received.
We've scarce five million left, I fear,
To run our college through the year.
To fierce privation we must yield,
We can't gold plate our football field."

"I must retrench," the chauffeur groaned.
"Farewell, farewell, to all I've owned!
Old clothes I'll wear, free lunch I'll eat,
I'll make my home upon the street,
For when I've bought my gasoline
I'll have naught left, 'tis plainly seen."

"We must retrench," the housewife said.
With tearful eye and shaking head.
"For Rockfeller's wealth has shrunk,
Full eight million in a chunk,
On bread and water we must sup;
'Twill take us years to make it up"

"We must retrench," the world exclaims,
"Fairwell to all our hopes and aims.
For when our master plays the fool,
That we must pay has been his rule.
Come, strip yourself of all you've made:
That eighty million must be paid."
—Council Bluffs Nonpariel.

Wheat Test At Ames.

An important experiment with wheat has been undertaken by the Agronomy Department of the Iowa Experiment Station, under the direction of Professor Olin. The object of the test is to determine the best and hardiest varieties of winter wheat suitable to Iowa winters; also the right time to sow wheat. On each Saturday in September and the first Saturday in October, five in all, ten acre lots are to be sowed side by side and the results compared. It is also expected that some wheat breeding will take place in these plots. The experiment will undoubtedly prove of great value to those who are growing winter wheat. Much good has already been done in our state in the way of improvement of varieties of oats and when we consider the large acreage of oats grown in Iowa each year, it would seem that investigation along this line, also, such as testing varieties and plant breeding, could be carried on and prove of much value to the farmers of the state.—Farmers Tribune.

On Feeding New Corn to Hogs.

The season when new corn will be fed to hogs quite extensively is approaching and farmers who wish to keep their hogs healthy would do well to consider the danger of a sudden change of diet from old corn to new. It is a general opinion among farmers that cholera comes in with new corn and that the cheaper the corn the more cholera among the hogs. While we do not believe that the feeding of new corn without the introduction of the cholera germ will ever product cholera, nevertheless we do believe that its indiscriminate feeding will produce something so near like cholera that it is regarded as the same disease. The corn cribs of the west are unusually empty and there will be a strong temptation to feed new corn exclusively as soon as it is in hard roasting ear. Farmers had better buy corn at present prices than make this sudden change of diet and hence the feeding of new corn should be delayed as long as possible until the corn is quite fully matured and then begun quite gradually so that the pigs may become accustomed to the new diet.

We have spoken about this once before but we think it worth while to take it up again and urge our readers to use their good common sence and not get their hogs out of condition so that in case cholera should appear there will not be an unnecessarily large mortality.—Wallaces Farmer.

Preserving Fence Posts.

Mr. H. W. Gould, of Cherokee, Ia., writes to the Farmers' Tribune as follows: "I should like to know through your columns what is the best thing known for preserving fence posts, what does it cost, and where can it be had? I have heard that coal tar for posts, if poured on while hot, is good. Is there anything better?"

We have fouud in treating fence posts, that lime paint made an excellent preservative, We have used a lime wash for a number of years when putting fence posts in the ground, and found that it preserves the posts in an excellent condition. We have also tried coal tar, but have not found it to be as good as lime. Some ten years ago, we dipped about 300 posts in creosote and found that it preserved them well. This can be purchased from any hardware store. Where only a limited number of posts are to be used, we have tried another plan that worked well, and that was to bore holes in the posts from the bottom upward to a point that is above the ground when the post is in position. Then we bored another hole in the side of the post with a slight inclination downward, making an opening in the center hole. A wooden plug two or three inches long was driven into the hole at the bottom of the post. When the posts were set in an upright position, we poured in a solution of corrosive subimate. These posts were used on a hog-pen and after the upper part of the post had decayed, ten years after, we found that the parts below the ground were in as good condition as they were set. We would not recommend this plan where a large number of posts are to be set, but think there is considerable merit in it when using posts in a building or where only a few are being set. Any preservative, such as petroleum or creosote, could be used. However, where large numbers of posts are to be set we would recommend using lime.—Farmer's Tribune.

COST OF TRAIN LUXURY.

The Reason That Railway Passenger Rates Are So High.

It may be asked why the railway locomotive does not pull passengers at a lower rate. Because it gives passengers so much room, comfort and high speed that it has to carry a ton of dead weight for each passenger. A locomotive weighing 100 tons pulls at 45 miles an hour 12 cars weighing 600 tons and containing 700 people weighing 50 tons, assuming the passengers to be men, women and children, but chiefly men, and to average 131 pounds each; 1,400 pounds of dead weight per passenger when every seat is taken. But cars cannot average more than seven-tenths full.

The railway carries free the passenger's 150 pound trunk and sends with him toilet rooms, heating stoves and fuel, smoking rooms, dining rooms and bedrooms. These houses on wheels and the locomotive which draws them have to be made very heavy in order to get the great strength made necessary by high speed.

If the railway could dispense with these comforts and luxuries and carry passengers packed closely inside and on top of low roofed, ramshackle, unheated vehicles like the old stage and at slow speed it could pull passengers at one-tenth to one-twentieth the price of the old stage.—Engineering Magazine.

Sensible Swiss Covenants.

Some of the ancient agreements between the little Swiss states were very noteworthy. In 1243 Berne and Fribourg made a covenant which lasted for more than 200 years by which they agreed that even a war between them should not destroy their agreement, that no war between them should be entered on without a previous attempt at conciliation and that within fourteen days of the end of any feud all territory conquered and spoils of war must be returned to their owners. Cities which 650 years ago could agree to such terms deserve to live in history. Basel, Schaffhausen and Appenzell a few years later were wise and farsighted enough to agree "to sit still and seek conciliation" in case of difference between them. Just over 600 years ago the Swiss confederation was founded by the three tiny mountain states Uri, Schwys and Nidwalden, which, remaining small and unimportant themselves, have by the force of the idea of union drawn to themselves from time to time larger states and powerful cities till today the Swiss nation can in proportion to its size and population boast of a prouder history and greater benefits to mankind than any other nation in Europe.

Melinda Went.

One of the old governors of the Carolinas was a man who had lived a farmer's life most of the time until he was elected, and his wife, having never seen a steamboat or a railroad and having no wish to test either one, refused to accompany her husband to the capital.

When the governor reached his destination he found that almost all the other officials were accompanied by their wives, and he sent an imperative message to his brother to "fetch Melinda along."

The brother telegraphed, "She's afraid even to look at the engine."

The governor read the message and pondered over it for a few moments. At the end of that time he sent off the following command:

"Bill, you blindfold Melinda and back her on to the train."

Melinda arrived at the capital with the victorious Bill twenty-four hours later.

Ringtail Monkeys.

The ringtail monkey, one of the most valuable and expensive of the smaller animals, is caught in an interesting way. A cocoanut is split in two and a banana with a piece of wood running through it placed lengthwise through the nut, the two halves of which are drawn together by wires. Then a hole is cut large enough for the monkey's paw to enter. The monkey spies the tempting nut from his tree. He hops down, looks it over, sees the hole and smells the banana inside. He is fond of bananas. Putting his paw in, he grasps it, but the wood prevents it from coming out. Then the catchers appear, and the monkey runs for a tree. But he cannot climb because of the cocoanut on his paw, and he will not let go of that, so he is captured, pawing wildly at the tree trunk.

Size of the Oceans.

Most men seem to be as ignorant about the size of the sea as they are of the distance between the heavenly planets. Invention gives a few interesting facts: The Pacific covers 68,000,000 miles, the Atlantic 30,000,000 and the Indian, Arctic and Antarctic oceans 42,000,000. To stow away the contents of the Pacific it would be necessary to fill a tank a mile long, a mile wide and a mile deep every day for 440 years. Put in figures, the Pacific holds in weight 948,000,000,000,000,000,000 tons. The Atlantic averages a depth of not quite three miles. Its water weighs 325,000,000,000,000,000 tons, and a tank to contain it would have each of its sides 430 miles long and deep.

Murdering Shakespeare.

"I never hesitate to cut and slash and change any play until it suits me," said Stuart Robson to his legal adviser on one occasion.

"I suppose you edit Shakespeare with a blue pencil?" replied the lawyer.

"You can just bet I do."

"Then, I imagine, you would plead guilty to an indictment for murdering the Bard of Avon."

"No; I would not, but I would admit dissecting his corpse."

The "Best Girl" Habit.

"Why," asked her anxious and excited mother, "do you think he is coming to the point at last?"

"Well," the maiden replied, looking demurely down at the rug, "when he took me in his arms and kissed me last night he said he'd got so used to me he didn't believe he could ever break himself of the habit."—Chicago Record-Herald.

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The Anthem.

The rustic choir's greatest show was always made in the anthem, in which some bumpkin had generally a solo to exhibit his "rusty voice." It was a splendid musical display—of its kind. People came from a long distance to hear it and felt so satiated that they left without the sermon. No wonder Shakespeare made Sir John Falstaff lose his voice with "hallooing and singing of anthems." To be sure, he was guilty of an anachronism, for there were no anthems in the fat knight's time, but it may reasonably be supposed that he had become so impressed with this part of the service in his own day that he dropped into the nod which even Homer is privileged occasionally to enjoy.

The Jack Tar who explained a "hanthem" to his mate on the simple principles of verbal clomgution was not so far out after all. "If I was to say to you," he began, "'Ere, Bill, give me that handspike,' that wouldn't be a hanthem, but if I was to say to you, 'Bill, Bill, Bill, give, give, give me, give me that, that, that handspike, spike, spike, spike,' why, that would be a hanthem." Just after this fashion did the old village choirs tear and toss their anthem texts.—Cornhill Magazine.

Impressions While Drowning.

Most of us, I expect, at some time or other have wondered what it feels like to be drowned. If we have never seen any one drowning we mean by this that we wonder whether it is at all like what it is represented to be—whether one's whole past life passes before one's eyes like a dream, whether one spends one's last few moments in wishing one had spent more profitably the last few years. If we have seen people drowning we wonder whether it feels as bad as it looks. Now, I cannot pretend to have been nearly drowned. Nor can I say what it feels like to sink after a prolonged struggle in calm water within sight of land. But I can say what it feels like to be quite convinced that one is going to be drowned, and I am happy to know from personal experience that the feeling is one merely of disappointment. One is simply annoyed, certainly not angry, certainly not afraid.—Hubert Walter in Blackwood's.

Carelessness at the Track.

"It was sheer carelessness on somebody's part that caused Charley to lose money on that race," said young Mrs. Torkins sympathetically.

"How do you know?"

"I saw it in the paper. The horse was left at the post. The idea of putting a horse in a race and then neglecting to unhitch him!"—Washington Star.

"I found him in the creek."

An interesting bit of femininity is Gwen, one of the picturesque characters in "The Sky Pilot." The artist caught her here in one of the interesting situations which abound in the story.

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