TE LAUDANT.

Nature sings today in gladness, earthly strife is stilled in song,
All creation chants thy praises, joy pervades the human throng;
Sings the morning of thy beauty—and when Vesperus draws near,
Eve repeats, in rhythmic music, that it is thy birthday, dear.

Leaves of autumn rustle proudly, through the trees one song resounds,
It is for thee, it is of thee, in the forest peace abounds.
Waves of ocean join the anthem; sea, the monster, waits good cheer,
While the billows murmur sweetly, glad it is thy birthday, dear.

See the sun in glory sliding; hear the music of the spheres,
See the rainbow in the distance, radiance of God's own tears—
Tears that flow as holy symbols that the earth will no'er be drear;
God himself bids thee be happy, hallowing thy birthday, dear.

And when stars above thee twinkling to the skies thy worth proclaim,
All the dewy paths of Luna write in starry gems thy name.
Herald stars are they, O fair one, prophets of thy future, clear—
Heav'n, with all its hosts and voices, bless thee on thy birthday, dear.

—Chicago Saturday Herald.

Governmental Thermometers.

"The United States government don't go in for expensive thermometers," said Lieut. Finley. "I don't suppose the finest one at the headquarters of the weather bureau in Washington is worth over $100. The thermometers used at the signal stations cost $5. A thoroughly reliable instrument can be purchased for that amount. These thermometers are about twelve inches long. Each station has several of them. It is necessary to have two kinds, the spirit thermometer to measure minimum temperature and the mercurial thermometer to measure the maximum temperature. There are three famous makers in the United states, two of whom are in New York. A thermometer," Lieut. Finley remarked, "improves with age. The older it gets the better it is. It is absolutely necessary for the tube to season. It must be several years old before it becomes reliable."—Jewelers' Review.

A Delicious Meal.

Anything more toothsome and nutritious than the vintager's pot au feu, which I lately tasted in the Medoc during the gathering of the grapes, cannot well be imagined. It was so delicious that a supply of it was ordered into the chateau for midday lunch, and it was voted by acclamation worthy of a cordon bleu. It was made with a leg of beef, onions, carrots, cabbage and the like, and poured smoking into bowls over slices of thin bread. What a lesson it conveys to the managers of our soup kitchens, and what a meal for our harvesters!—Cor. British Medical Journal.

Suicides Want Solitude.

Dr. Cushing, a retired physician on the West side, gave me an interesting fact a day or so ago about suicides.

"Not once in a thousand times," said he, "do either men or women kill themselves while in the presence of another person. The tendency of the suicidal mania is always toward solitude. This is why, in all the asylums of the land, people who have a disposition to kill themselves are always kept together, and there is no danger then."—New York Star.

Where Olives Come From.

The olive has been cultivated in the regions of the Mediterranean coasts from time immemorial. Olive oil there takes the place of butter. Spain has about 3,000,000 acres in olives; Italy, 2,250,000, and France about 300,000 acres. Forty-five varieties of the fruit are described.—Popular Science.

Pretty Dresses for the Home.

Many of the actresses, who are as particular about their house as their stage dresses, wear a long coat or opera cloak, tightly girdled at the waist and left open in front to show a pretty white petticoat. A lady up town, a doctor by profession and something of a crank on hygienics, wears cheese cloth yoke dresses that cost $1 each, and she has a new one every six weeks. The neck is yoked, made of silk or velvet, to which the straight breadths of cheese cloth are gathered. Three yards of ribbon, sewed over the shirred belt, is the only attempt at decoration. One month she receives her morning patients in pale blue cheese cloth, worked with navy blue silk; the next month the cloth is pink and the yoke maroon velvet, and just now she is wearing cream cloth gathered to a yoke of brown velvet. Brown ribbon is girdled about her waist, brown half shoes cover her feet, and the whole toilet—shoes, dress, ribbons and all—cost her $1.80. Pretty woolens can be bought for forty cents a yard, and six yards, with one and a quarter yards of plush or velvet for trimming, will make a Josephine dress. Why disfigure yourself when a pattern and a day's work will reproduce the artistic, tidy, easy and world renowned dress?—New York World.

An Old Idea of Insulation.

After all, these insulated coffee pots do but represent the application of a device familiar centuries ago to the fishermen of south Normandy and the Brittany coast. It has been for an indefinite period the custom there for these toilers of the sea to start out with their nets in the afternoon, carrying with them a warm meal for the day following. The pot containing the stew or heated delicacy is wrapped in a mattress stuffed with feathers or inclosed in a box with feather lined cushions, and after fifteen hours the dinner is spread as hot as if it had just come off the fire, not more than three or four degrees being lost at all events. I know a man who made a little feather stuffed box on that idea and put his newly boiled shaving water in it just before he went to bed every night. In the morning, when he got up early and shaving water would not have been easy to get off hand, he opened the box and took out the water still scalding hot.—Washington Star.

The People You Want to Reach.

Every business man should write and place his advertisements in a way calculated to reach and impress the people with whom he desires to do business. Money spent in advertising in a paper which does not circulate in the homes of the people you desire to trade with is practically thrown away. The medium which goes into the homes of the people who must buy your goods is the one in which you should place your announcements. Don't scatter your fire or waste costly ammunition unnecessarily. Decide upon the people you want to reach, and then reach them in the most direct and economical way.

Old Hutch's New Coat.

"I was introduced to 'Old Hutch' in Chicago the other day," said a New England man in the Ebbitt lobby. "He is a typical Yankee of the extremist sort, and you remember he was originally from Vermont. He has a large frame, and in good flesh would turn two hundred."

"Stingy?"

"I guess; at least he has that reputation. You remember he was held up by footpads, and, although he was worth a few millions, they got only twelve cents for their bold undertaking."

"They say he dresses shabbily?"

"There is usually some hayseed under his collar, but I heard a good story about his getting a new coat. His son one day upbraided him on his coarse clothing and urged him to get a new overcoat like his own, which, though it cost $100, he assured his sire was made to order for $40. The old man yielded, and the son sent word to the tailor if his father came in to make the price $40 and he would pay the balance himself. The $100 coat was soon on the old man's back, and the next day on the board of trade a broker inquired if he was not getting rather extravagant in his dress. 'That's a fine coat you have on; I would be willing to pay $75 for one just like it.'

"'You may have it,' quickly responded the king of the pit, thinking only of the $35 profit, and, suiting the action to the word, peeled his covering as quick as a country sucker would shuck a nibbin. That day there was a net loss in the 'Hutch' family, but the old man never knew it."—Washington Star.

The Foolish Czar.

When we hear the stories about the czar's peril from Nihilists, we cannot help wondering why he does not take the most natural means of lessening his danger. The threats against his life are not made in mere wantonness. The men who would assassinate him with as little compunction as they would shoot a mad dog, feel that they have provocation and that they would be doing a service to the world by sending a tyrant out of it. The outrages in Siberia, that seem to have assumed a more horrible character lately than for some years previous, have stirred up the feeling against the government to a greater height than ever. It is as the incarnation of the government that the czar is execrated. Would not the simplest way to restrain the indignation of the people be to show a disposition to institute a thorough reform in the methods of ruling?

The czar has been told in plain words, by the representatives of the awful power that opposes him at every turn, and that is all the more to be feared because it works in secret, that if he will make certain concessions his life will be safe. He refuses absolutely to treat with the secret element that will yet surely compass his death. And he wears armor under his clothes and sets his police to work to keep assassins away, even when he goes to church to commune upon his knees with his maker. In what sort of spirit he pursues his devotions can only be surmised. To the ordinary observer, it appears very much like impious mockery for a man, be he emperor or beggar, to enter a place of worship under such conditions.—Pittsburg Bulletin.

A New Way to Sharpen a Razor.

Use two hones—an Arkansas oil stone and a fine razor hone. The razor is first applied to the Arkansas stone, using fair pressure, and finishing with lighter and lighter pressure strokes. Remove razor from the coarse hone to the fine razor hone, upon which oil is also employed. With a few light strokes on the fine hone an enduring hair splitting edge is formed. If the razor be kept on the finishing hone too long the fine edge will be lost. If this be the case, the process must be repeated; that is, the razor is again applied to the coarser hone and again finished upon the fine hone, care being taken to cease honing after the razor has acquired the hair splitting edge. Very little practice is required to ascertain when that point is reached, a few hairs of medium fineness supplying the required test. The coarse hone employed should be of sufficiently fine texture to put a smooth edge on a pocket knife, but not fine enough to give a smooth cutting edge to a razor.—New York Journal.

Talking and Reading.

It may be doubted if there are any "dumb animals." We do not call a Hottentot dumb because he cannot speak English. Why, then, should we call a dog or a horse dumb, simply because its language is wholly or partly unintelligible to us?

The prosecutor in a recent horse stealing case in London, according to The Telegraph, declared that his colt, of which he had been robbed, "spoke to him like" when he found it.

On being asked to explain himself, he answered that the colt "whinnied," which "was speaking to me as plain as anything not a Christian could."

The same paper reports that an over inquisitive gentleman asked a cabman if he thought his horse preferred standing "on the rank" or pulling the cab.

"Well, sir," replied cabby, "I thinks, on the 'ole, he'd rather pull the cab. You see he reads the names over the shop windows, and they make 'im laugh."

What a Woman Will Do.

A woman will take two hours to dress and run into the house three times if she is going over to Minnie's to spend the afternoon, and, the next day, when she has a sudden chance to go to San Francisco, she will pack a tooth brush and her purse in her pocket, button her cloak and gloves on the street car and be at the station three-quarters of an hour ahead of train time.—Buffalo Express.

St. Louis has two wealthy colored people. Mrs. Amanda Labadie pays taxes on $100,000 and Alfred White, caterer and confectioner, is worth $74,000.

The first fair on the new state fair grounds, at Syracuse, N. Y., is announced to be held next September.

An Alabama correspondent claims that the farmers of his state are learning that it pays to raise sorghum for sirup, and that early orange cane is the preferred variety.

Professor Fernow figures that the annual revenue from the forests of the United States is over $1,000,000,000.

The state entomologist announces the appearance in New Jersey and Pennsylvania of the cowhorn or buffalo fly. The worst effect apprehended is a decrease of the milk supply by worrying the cows. He advises the bathing of the animals' hides in oil as a preventive.

Sugar beets are attracting considerable attention in Colorado and Nebraska.

The production of olives is increasing in California, both for the manufacture of oil and for pickled olives.

A Boston florist says that he seldom fails to root slips of the most tender and rare kinds. He credits his success to a layer of oats placed under the usual layer of sand in which the slips are planted. When moistened it acts as a stimulant and feeder to the tender roots of the slips.

Belligerent Owls.

A plague of owls has for two weeks disturbed the peace of John Mayer's home, in the outskirts of Plainfield, N. J. The first appearance of the owls was noticed by one of Mr. Mayer's sons, who in romping about the barn discovered a nest of the young birds. There were no larger owls in sight, and the boy made one of the owlets captive and carried it to the house. His mother compelled him to return it to its nest.

He had no sooner placed it with the others than one of the older birds appeared and attacked him furiously, beating him in the face with its wings and scratching him with its claws and bill. Shielding himself with his arms the lad ran away. The owl left him at the barn door. That afternoon one of the young ladies of the family had occasion to visit the carriage house, when a great owl flew down and alighted on her back. She shook it off with difficulty, and in the struggle had her garments torn.

Since then owls have taken complete possession of the outbuildings and their surroundings. Scores of the birds, which are of the day owl species, have followed the first comers and have made their nests in the barn. Several have been killed, but this seems only to make the others more fierce. Even the men dare not venture near the nesting places without masks or other protection.

The novel defense of umbrellas has been at last adopted, and now when any member of the Mayer family visits the owls' castle he holds a parachute over his head. Already three umbrellas have been ruined by the birds dashing against them in vain endeavors to reach the faces of the carriers. The Mayer family are in a state of mind. They don't want to move out, but they cannot dispossess their belligerent tenants.—St. Louis Globe-Dispatch.

A couple from New York state who were married Thursday by a Newark, N. J., justice, on being questioned explained that they had simply come to town on business, and while shopping made up their minds to get married. The groom is 57 years old, and the bride, who was his housekeeper, is 22 years younger.

Wasteful Advertising.

Discriminating merchants long ago abandoned the circular and gutter-snipe methods of advertising. For the amount of hard cash it takes to fairly circulate 5,000 hand bills you can place an attractive ad. in a reputable and well circulated newspaper in a way to bring many times the returns that can possibly come from the older and nearly obsolete method of announcement.

People buy a newspaper to read it; they do not buy or want the gutter-snipe, and they don't read it. Not one person in ten ever glances at the dodger that is thrust in his hand at the street corner before he consigns it to the gutter. He only consents to receive it at all out of sympathy for the poor fellow who is making a more or less honest effort to get rid of his armful of bills; and the one fellow in ten who does look at the dodger first sweeps the horizon with his weather eye to see that no one observes him reading the affair! An announcement read in this way—or not at all—isn't going to startle any one by the magnitude of the returns.

A Safe Investment

Is one which is guaranteed to bring you satisfactory results, or in case of failure a return of purchase price. On this safe plan you can buy from our advertised Druggist a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. It is guaranteed to bring relief in every case, when used for any affection of the throat, lungs or chest, such as consumption, inflammation of lungs, bronchitis, asthma, whooping cough, croup, etc., ect. It is pleasant and agreeable to taste, perfectly safe, and can always be depended upon. Trial bottles free at Budwell & Christian's drug store. my25 tf.

A candidate for Congress in Georgia rides to church in an ox cart. He is trying to capture the Farmers' Alliance, but he will discover that the Granger vote is not to be caught by such chaff.

The First Symptoms of Death.

Tired feeling, dull headache, pains in various parts of the body, sinking at the pit of the stomach, loss of appetite, feverishness, pimples or sores, are all positive evidence of poisoned blood. No matter how it became poisoned it must be purified to avoid death. Dr. Acker's English Blood elixir has never failed to remove scrofulous or syphilitic poisons. Sold under positive guarantee by Budwell, Christian & Barbee. may25-tj

Said a sweet, charming, lovely young Mrs., "I really don't know what a Krs?"

A rogue heard her speak,
Kissed her plump on the cheek,
And said as he did it, "Why, Thyrs!"

—Lawrence American.

DO NOT SUFFER ANY LONGER.

Knowing that a cough can be checked in a day, and the first stages of consumption broken in a week, we hereby guarantee Dr. Acker's English Cough Remedy, and will refund the money to all who buy, take it as per directions, and do not find our statement correct. Budwell, Christian & Barbee, druggists.

The sale of the Bain property is in progress in Norfolk and Portsmouth. Up to Friday evening, the sales had aggregated about $450,000.

Bad drainage causes much sickness, and bad blood and improper action of the liver and kidneys is bad drainage to the human system, which Burdock Blood Bitters remedy.

Clerk—"How did that moth mixture go that I sold you the other day, sir?"

Customer—"Like hot cakes. The moths won't eat anything else."—Greensburg Sparks.

THAT TERRIBLE COUGH.

In the morning, hurried or difficult breathing, raising phlegm, tightness in the chest, quickened pulse, chilliness in the evening or sweat at night, all or any of these things are the first stages of consumption. Dr. Acker's English Cough Remedy will cure these fearful symptoms, and is sold under a positive guarantee by Budwell, Christian & Barbee, druggists.

A meteoric stone fell in Washington county last week which weighed 180 pounds, and yet no one was killed. This seems to disprove the story that you can't throw a stone in that county without killing a candidate.

OUR VERY BEST PEOPLE.

Confirm our statement when we say that Dr. Acker's English remedy is in every way superior to any and all other preparations for the throat and lungs. In whooping cough and croup, it is magic and relieves at once. We offer you a sample bottle free. Remember, this remedy is sold on a positive guarantee by Budwell, Christian and Barbee. my 25, tf.

Is Consumption Incurable.

Read the following: Mr. C. H. Morris, Newark, Ark., says: "What down with abscess of lungs, and friends and physicians pronounced me an incurable consumptive. Began talking Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, am now on third bottle, and able to oversee the work on my farm. It is the finest medicine ever made."

Jessie Middlewart, Decatur, Ohio, says: "Had it not been for Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption I would have died of lung troubles. Was given up by doctors. Am now in best of health." Try sample bottles free at Budwell, Christian & Barbee's drug store. may25-tf.

Mrs. Mary Anderson, a respected colored woman in Spottsylvania county, while out picking berries yesterday, suddenly discovered a huge snake at her feet, which so frightened her that she became unconscious and fell to the ground. She was taken to the house, when medical aid was summoned, but it was of no avail. She died that night.

NORFOLK & WESTERN RAILROAD.

Schedule in effect May 11th, 1890.

WEST BOUND.

LEAVE ROANOKE.

10:05 a m. Daily; arrive Bristol 4.00 p m. Stops at all stations, connecting at Radford with trains on New River Branch; arriving Pocahontas at 3:35 p m.

5:45 p m. Daily, arrives Radford 7.20 p. m., connecting with New River branch at 7:35 p. m., for Bluefield and Pocahontas; arrives Pocahontas 10:55 p. m. Arrives Bristol 11:20 p. m., connecting with E. T., V. & G. R. R. for all points south and west; has Pullman Palace Sleeper, Roanoke to Rome, via Calera and Roanoke to Memphis without change.

7:55 a m Daily, arrive Radford 9:15 a m, connecting with New River Branch, leaving Radford 12:10 p.m., arrives Bristol 12.40 p m., connects with E. T., V. & G. R. R. for all points south and west; has Pullman Palace Sleeper from Roanoke to New Orleans without change.

EAST BOUND.

LEAVE ROANOKE.

5:25 a m. Daily; for Lynchburg, Petersburg, Richmond, (via Petersburg and R. & P. R. R.,) Norfolk and intermediate points; Connects at Lynchburg with V. M. R R. for Washington and the east, leaving Lynchburg 7:40 a m daily. Arrives Norfolk 2.00 p m connecting with steamer lines to Baltimore and New York.

7:20 p m. Daily; for Lynchburg and intermediate stations.

10:10 a m. Daily; arrives Lynchburg 11:59 a m, connecting with V. M. R. R. for all points north, arriving Washington 7:05 p m; arrives Petersburg 4:20 p.m; arrives Richmond, via R. & P. R. R., 5:05 p m; arrives Norfolk 7.00 p m;

Cripple Creek Extension—Leaves Pulaski 8:15 a m. Daily except Sunday, and 3:00 p m. Daily, arrive Ivanhoe 9:45 a m and 4:30 p m. Returning leave Ivanhoe 10:25 a m. Daily except Sunday, and 5:25 p m. Daily, arrive Pulaski 11:55 a m and 6:30 p m.

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Schedule in effect June, 2, 1890.

ARRIVE AT ROANOKE.

5:00 p. m. Daily—Memphis Express, from Hagerstown and the north. Through Pullman sleeping cars from New York and Philadelphia to Chattanooga and Memphis via Harrisburg, Hagerstown and Roanoke.

.40 a. m. Daily— New Orleans express from New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore, making connection through to the south Carries through Pullman palace buffet sleeping car from Philadelphia to New Orleans without change via Harrisburg, Hagerstown, Roanoke, Cleveland, Calera, and L. & N. R. R.

LEAVE ROANOKE.

5.45 a. m. Daily—Baltimore express from all points south for Washington, Baltimore, Harrisburg, Philadelphia and New York. Carries Pullman palace buffet sleeping car from Roanoke to Philadelphia without change, via Hagerstown and Harrisburg.

7.20 p. m. Daily—New York and Philadelphia express, from Memphis, Chattanooga and all points south. For Philadelphia and New York. Carries Pullman Palace buffet sleeping cars through to Philadelphia and New York via Roanoke, Hagerstown and Harrisburg.

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