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SHAKESPEARE'S CIPHER.

Hon. Ignatius Donnelly has taken high rank in the past as a shrewd and successful politician. He was a master hand at the "machine" and reaped not a scanty harvest from his labors in that field. With a quick, perceptive mind, and the faculty of absorbing the ideas of other men in a very unusual degree, he has devoted much time to what he perhaps deems "culture," and now apparently thinks he can take as high position among politicians as erst he did among politicians. It is the old story over again. The showmaker should stick to his last. Out into deep sea much over his head has the well-meaning but shallow Minnesota politician floundered, and he is liable to drown before aided by the only help applicable to his case can reach him—the recovering of his senses by the loss of his self-conceit. In the great ocean of politics Donnelly never wanted for a sound plank between him and the waters, but in the wider and greater ocean of literature and scholarship he has not so much as even a straw to save him from drowning. This ocean in which Donnelly is now drowning is composed of an imaginary cipher manufactured by Lord Bacon and supposed by almost everybody to be a congeries of dramas written by one William Shakespeare. As exhibitions of the loftiest poetry ever conceived by mortal intellect, as the composition in its most exacted moods of the grandest and loftiest mind of humanity, the world has never grown tired of them but finds new beauties in them every year. Mr. Donnelly, however, finds they are but a cipher, very ingenious, very intricate, very wonderful, but only a cipher, composed with much labor by Francis Bacon, Lord Verulam, simply to let posterity know that he was the said Lord Bacon. The great Viscount of St. Albans was undeniably one of the greatest of men, intellectually. He ranks in the same scale with Aristotle and Spinoza and Newton and Plato, only a little below Shakespeare and Homer, but this idea of Donnelly's make him the greatest magician of the ages. For if it be true, then the glamor of his spells has convinced humanity that what it considers the loftiest and purest poetry the world has ever seen is only an involute and ingenious cipher, a verbal cryptogram, requiring for its perpetration only the same kind and same amount of intellect necessary to write an acrostic or manufacture an alternative head line for a newspaper. Such a preposterous idea, however, could never have been conceived in the brain of a symmetrically rounded man. Mr. Donnelly is perilously nigh to the borderland that divides the speculative theorizer from the crank, and if he continues he is likely to convince people not that Bacon wrote Shakespeare's plays nor that Shakespeare's plays are a cipher, but that he himself is but a cipher.—Washington Gazette.

WASHINGTON advises that the naval department has invited proposals for five more new war vessels. Three of the new vessels will be cruisers and two gunboats. For the cruisers a maximum speed of nineteen knots an hour must be guaranteed. Every quarter knot of speed above or below this limit is to be compensated for or deducted from the contract price at the rate of \$50,000 per quarter knot. All the material used must be of domestic manufacture. The vessels must be built where the department directs. Each proposal must be accompanied by a certified check for 5 per cent of the amount of the bid. The cost of one cruiser (the Newark) is not to exceed \$1,300,000. The other two cruisers are to cost not more than \$3,000,000 for both. The gunboats are to cost not more than \$550,000 each. Full plans and specifications will be prepared, and will be on exhibition at the department on and after June 1st. Proposals will be received until noon of August 1st.

THE silken ties that used to bind us to the railroad magnates—our passes—have been substituted by pine ties, which other common tramps use. We have received, however, from the different ticket departments numerous letters requesting a rate on our long and short haul advertisements.—Ex.

A Pet Whale's Antics.

An immense whale is "knocking about" in the water at Santa Monica. It is quite tame, and the inhabitants take great pleasure in feeding it and watching its antics in the water. It is so friendly that he will follow a boat at a respectable distance and eat the food thrown to him. He is especially fond of fruit. Of course there is no way to fill him up; but he knows when he has enough, and when satisfied takes a plunge and disappears. Whales are shy monsters, and when it comes to enjoying the company of human beings, no such fact was ever recorded before. Some years ago a whale was captured and placed in an aquarium in Paris, where he became the object of great interest. It grew to great size and was not slow in responding to the calls of its keeper. The constant stream of visitors naturally made it lose its shyness, and it often seemed to enjoy the presence of sight-seers. This whale was in 1884 sold to a showman in London for the handsome sum of \$25,000. Great trouble was experienced in loading it on the schooner Misty Way; but the trouble did not end there. While in a gale in the channel the vessel was badly wrecked, and the huge wooden tank, which stood on the upper deck, was smashed and the valuable inmate escaped. The sailors, when they saw the whale floundering on the deck, were thunderstruck and made for the rigging. It is just possible that this most precious whale at Santa Monica is the same one that endured captivity at Paris and made its escape. He evidently belongs to the species known as the seballidus siffurans, as the body is large and relatively slender, and is capable of great speed. Just how long this marine visitor will remain in these southern waters is not known; he may disappear as mysteriously and unconcernedly as he appeared upon the scene. The Santa Monica people are enjoying him, and it is to be hoped no attempt will be made at a capture.—Los Angeles (Cal.) Express.

Food Products of China.

In an interesting article on "The Food of China" the North China Herald says that the greatest part of the soil of the Celestial empire which is cultivated is devoted to the production of food. There are no flocks or herds, and the areas devoted to cotton and mulberry are very small compared to the extent of the empire. Of the 250,000,000 or 260,000,000 of China three-fifths live on rice and two-fifths on small millet and wheat. In the dry, dusty soil of the northern provinces millet and wheat grow well and form the food of the inhabitants; in the moist soil and hot climate of south China rice prospers and forms the chief produce and food of the people. Maize extends over a wider area every decade. Valuable, too, is the glutinous rice, from which the old undistilled wine is brewed, and which is itself an appetizing article of food. Cabbages and carrots, with the best turnips, onions, melons and radishes, have come into China from the west; the kind which are indigenous are inferior. Western gardening, which has improved so many vegetable productions, has done much for China in supplying her markets. Spinach was introduced 1,600 years ago from Persia, and the name pot-sia, by which it is known, means the Persian vegetable. Lately beet root has come in from Europe, for though the Chinese cannot make up their minds to make railways, they like new fruits and vegetables well enough. The introduction of European and American vegetables, seeds and fruit trees into China is improving and varying the food of the people, just as western arts and manufactures are increasing their luxuries and comforts. And in these ways many changes are being brought about quietly but effectively, which are to a considerable extent altering the old life of the Chinese and almost imperceptibly opening the way to further departures.—Chicago Times.

The Science of Noses.

The nose, we all know, forms a prominent feature in everybody's career, but it has been left to M. Sophus Schack, a Danish disciple of Lavater, to find out that it is an infallible index to human character. He tells us in a book just published that his discovery is the result of a long and patient study of this facial organ among people of all nations. According to his experience, the moral and physical nature of a person can be gathered from the formation of his nose. A well developed nose, he says, denotes strength and courage; a little turned up nose indicates cunning and artfulness; a delicate, straight nose, taste and refinement; a curved nose, judgement and egotism; and a thick, misshapen nose, dullness and want of tact. But this is not all. "The nose," proceeds our physiognomist, "discloses to the intelligent observer the faculties possessed by the owner. It also indicates the intensity of his intellectual activity and the delicacy of his moral sentiments. Finally, the nose, which belongs both to the mobile and immobile parts of our visage, reflects faithfully the fugitive movements of our inclinations." If all this be true, it is evident that people who desire to disguise their character or dissemble their passions must in future beware of their noses, or, rather, they must wear false ones.—Pall Mall Gazette.

Beautiful Women of Cuba.

Among our Cuban women the eyes, the supple grace of the person and the dainty, delicate foot are the most striking points. Their faces are interesting rather than beautiful, being oval, with delicate protruding chins. Their mouths are generally large but well formed, with a suggestion of pathos in the slightly drooping corners. Their complexions are pale and creamy, but their lips are scarlet, mobile and tremulous. The teeth perfect in form and dazzlingly white, in contrast with the lips. The hair is lead black in youth. But the eyes are the priceless, crowning loveliness, the never ending power and charm of the fair Cubane. When you say that behind their long lashes and languidly moving lids they are large, dark, dreamy, yet glowing, flashing with fire or melting with languor, you have only hinted at the inexpressible expression. They talk with their eyes no other women in the world do.—New York Mail and Express.

The appropriations made by congress from 1860 to date for the erection and remodeling of the United States Capitol amount to over \$15,000,000.

Rome Viewed from a Housetop.

The pleasantest thing in Rome, the thing which no creature, however great his power, has been able to touch, is the sunshine. To live on a Roman housetop, as I do, is in itself a great happiness. It is a long climb, but who minds that, once up? The roof is a terrace where plants and ivy grow, and leaning over the eaves you can watch the busy life far in the street below, or wait while the day goes behind the Mous Janiculus. The ragged pines that crown the hill stand back against the sky, and one knows that below is the old convent where Tasso died. The statue of St. Paul, on top of the pillar of Marcus Aurelius, is silhouetted very clear; and near the black tower of St. Andrea del Valle, where in the evening hundreds of birds come to rest. The pigeons do not swoop; instead they wheel and circle, shining like silver, then settle down about the fountain of Trevi—nestle close about the water gods grouped there. It is pleasant, too, to stand upon the bridges and watch the passing crowd—to listen to the ripple of the water and know the voice is that of Father Tiber; to take a sun bath on the Pincio, with Rome lying at your feet; to pause and watch the orange sellers and match sellers, and models, and beggars on the Spanish steps; to journey to the Campo de Fivel; to the fair on Wednesday morning, where all the old odds and ends of the continent seem collected for sale. So much there is to see in Rome; so much to do.—Cor. Louisville Courier-Journal.

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