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Sudden Recovery of Speech by a Man Who had been Deaf Seven Years.

Great and sudden shocks have sometimes acted as a curative upon persons who were afflicted with deafness or other nervous affections, but rarely if ever before this present case.

How to Rise.

Some persons are content to be mere hewers of wood and drawers of water. They simply seek for what they shall eat, and what they shall drink, and wherewithal they shall be clothed.

Romance of a Young Man.

A young man from one of the back towns came in to buy a present for his girl last week. His wondering gaze being fixed by the gorgeous display in a dry goods window, he entered the store and bashfully stopped in front of a pretty young lady behind the counter.

The Whistle.

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The Right Ring.

The blue ribbon temperance societies of Iowa have recently held a convention. An ng other resolutions the following were adopted: Resolved, That we deprecate any attempt to prostitute the temperance thought, and the temperance workers of this State to the purpose of partisanship, that we claim our right as temperance men to be Republicans, or Democrats, or Nationalists, and we propose to carry our temperance principles, as individuals into politics, and to assert them when and where we deem it best to do so, and with this view we urge upon the temperance men of the State the duty of securing in their respective organizations the nomination for official position, of such men as have the promotion of the temperance cause at heart, and in whose hands its great interests will be safe.

A Cheap and Useful Paper for our Boys and Girls.

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On the next day he arrived in New York, and as soon as he met his friends he eagerly related to them in writing the hopeful experience which he had so lately had. They hoped, but scarcely believed in his bright anticipation. On Tuesday last he was engaged in discussing some personal and business matters with Mr. McComb, at the office of the latter. Mr. McComb remarked to him that his general health was fully restored, and expressed the most cheerful views about his future. He urged him to make the utmost effort to regain his utterance. Mr. Wood seemed to form the resolution to follow this advice, and became excited and enthusiastic. He then seized a pencil and wrote the last communication which he made on paper. It was as follows: "Don't be surprised, but when I come back to-day I will talk to you with my tongue. I have it now."

Handing this to Mr. McComb he went out. He afterward related that he went to the Staten Island ferry and took passage on one of the boats. Seated on a stool near the rail he opened his mouth and lifted up his voice. Its use and inflections all came back to him in an instant. It did not even sound strange to him. He could hardly realize his own joy. He sang, spoke, shouted and tried his voice in every way which happened to occur to him. It was perfect. He accosted people and they did not stare at him but took it as a matter of course.

The next returning boat brought him back to New York. Breathless and flushed, he entered the office of his brother-in-law and exclaimed: "It's all right!" Mr. McComb jumped up, rushed forward and joyfully embraced him. So did everybody else who was there. "We were almost stunned with amazement," said Mr. McComb last evening. "It seemed so strange to hear him speak. He didn't seem to make the least effort, and his voice sounded exactly as it used to. Every tone and inflection was the same. The scene at home, though, was extraordinary when we came to town. The children, you know, had never heard their uncle speak. They hadn't the slightest conception that he had ever done so, nor ever could. It was long before they recovered from their wonder."

The past three or four days have been spent by Mr. Wood in visiting his friends and receiving their sincere congratulations on the restoration of his voice. In very respect he is now perfectly recovered from the effects of his stroke.

Novel-Reading as a Dissipation. There are millions of people in England and millions in America, and almost millions in Australia, to whose enjoyment of life novels are almost as necessary as food to their life itself, ever one of whom take some credit to themselves for the time they pass in "reading," complacently contrasting themselves with idlers and those who are given up to the frivolities of life. A vain and foolish notion, for there is probably no more insidious form of laziness, no method of passing time more absolutely void of exertion of any kind, than novel-reading, as novels are read by most of those for whom they are written. As a child opens his mouth and has sugar plums put into it, so the ordinary novel-reader sits quietly and thoughtlessly and has a story poured through his eyes into his mind or into what serves him in that capacity. It is quite another spirit and with another purpose that great works of imagination are approached by those who can appreciate them.

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"The Whistle." "You have heard," said a youth to a maiden who stood beside him as he sat on a corn-sheaf one evening about quitting time; "you have heard, I dare say, of the Danish boy's whistle of wood? I would give two dollars and a half if that Danish boy's whistle were mine." "The maiden had heard of the wonderful things which could be accomplished by means of the magic whistle, and, coloring slightly, said: "And what would you do with it, pray?" while a smile played over her beautiful face, extending clear round to her ears.

The Man That Mortgaged His Farm. The Chicago Times, in chronicling the death of M. L. Sullivan, the great farmer of Ford county, Ill., says: "He gave personal supervision to the work of culture and improvement of the farm, employing 400 men, and working from 400 to 500 mules and horses. He built a great number of tenement houses. The farm occupied all of Sullivan township, which contains forty-eight square miles, and in addition extended several thousand acres into Livingston county. At his most prosperous period he had all clear from encumbrances except \$58,000, and to offset this he owned gilt-edged paper to the value of \$150,000. He then commenced rapid improvements, and through money-lenders borrowed from Hiram Sibley, of Rochester, N. Y., nearly half a million dollars, hoping to realize a profit from the expenditure by selling land in small farms: All of this was secured by cut-throat trust deeds. He even mortgaged his personal property deeply. This cost him 10 per cent. interest and 5 per cent. commission. For a year or two he paid \$60,000 interest per year. Values of land and produce fell, and in the fall dragged down Sullivan, who was compelled to assign to H. K. Wheaton, of Chicago, leaving himself in his old age absolutely a beggar. Sixty thousand dollars his wife had left to him, and secured by second mortgage, went with the rest, and when once the great farmer king moved from his residence at Burr Oak he was a pauper. The total indebtedness when he assigned was almost \$2,000,000. Hiram Sibley took possession of Burr Oak, and his agents now manage it."

The Greatest Orator. The following paragraph is from one of Ben. Perley Poore's letters to the Boston Journal: "I have been asked who, among the Congressmen of the past half-century, was the greatest orator, and I reply, without hesitation, Sargent S. Prentiss. Born and educated in Maine, he went to Mississippi, where he was for two years a tutor in a private family, and then—by ability and personal courage—bounced from obscurity to renown, from the very foot to the topmost round in the ladder of fame. In due time he was sent to the House of Representatives from Mississippi, and his election was contested, causing a long and exciting debate in the winter of 1838, in which he was the leader and challenger. He was not a man of imposing personal appearance, and a duel wound made him stand ungracefully and limp as he walked, but before political gatherings or on the floor of the House of Representatives, I have never heard his equal as an orator. His intellectual endowments presented a rare ex-

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trouble the eyes are often strained to answer a purpose. Wash the eyes abundantly every morning. If cold water is used, let it be flapped against the closed eyes with the fingers, not striking hard against the ball of the eyes. The moment the eyes feel tired, the very moment you are conscious of an effort to read or sew, lay aside the book or needle, and take a walk for an hour, or employ yourself in some active exercise not requiring the close use of the eyes.

ing to near \$3,000,000, with power to collect in any way, by garnishment or otherwise. All creditors are ordered to come in and make themselves parties and file their claims on or before the second Monday of May next. The appointment was made on bills filed by Myers & Sneed, attorneys, representing nearly \$2,000,000 claims against the city. The other creditors have consolidated their claims, making a total exceeding \$2,500,000.

They are going back to the whipping-post in Wisconsin. One step only from civilization to barbarism. Published figures show 68 men killed in the lumber regions of Michigan, this winter, by accidents, and 102 injured. It is a singular fact that this season nearly as many hogs were packed for the six warm months as for the six cooler ones. A correspondent of the London Times says that celery cooked in milk and thickened with flour will cure rheumatism. Russia is making preparations to comply with the terms of the treaty of Berlin. This is a far as Russia can be expected to go. The ordinary life of a locomotive engine is stated at thirty years. But some of the small parts require renewal every six months. The Sultan of Morocco has been struck by paralysis. It is the only instance of striking a tyrant when he did not strike back with a sword. An international convention to devise means for stopping Sunday trains on all the railroads in the world, will soon be held in New York. Senator Butler, of South Carolina, is authorized by the statement that Wade Hampton will have to submit to another amputation of his injured leg. The earl of Limerick has ordered an importation of wild cows, or bisons, to stock his Irish estate, and those familiar with the habits of the animal think there is fair ahead. Ex-Gov. Horatio Seymour is described as being as youthful in appearance as he was twenty years ago. He now occupies himself with agricultural interests and the question of transportation. The New York Herald says that there were five times as many unemployed mechanics in that city three years ago as there are now, and argues from this that times are getting better in New York. Lucy Hooper quotes General Grant as saying that all the humiliation suffered by France in 1871, and all her losses in lives, treasure and territory, constitute a small price to pay for getting rid of the empire. Ezra Perkins, the great railroad contractor, who died a few days ago, obtained a wife in a peculiar manner. He took a fancy to Mrs. Hardy, coolly hired her husband to permit her to get a divorce, and then married her. From all sections of the great lumbering regions of the great Northwest the reports are most encouraging. The season's work has been good, and the weather most favorable. The demand for lumber the coming season promises to be large, and the new supply will be all that could be desired. The average age of sheep is ten years. Cows have an average of fifteen years. Hogs have been known to live forty years. The average of the horse is twelve years. The elephant lives to a very great age. There is a white elephant now living in the Imperial menagerie in Russia that is said to be over 150 years old. The Christian people of Louisville, Ky., are waging a war against Sunday amusements, theaters, and open saloons. The ministers last Sunday all preached upon the subject, and large mass meetings have been held protesting against the custom. The opposition has been aroused, and a bitter warfare is promised. Governor Vance has pardoned the only Hebrew in North Carolina Penitentiary. He was under a ten-years sentence for manslaughter. The Governor indorsed upon the paper: "I take pleasure in saying that I sign the pardon in part recognition of the good and law-abiding character of our Jewish citizens, this being the first serious case ever brought to my notice on the part of any of that people." The thirteenth annual meeting of the North-western dairymen's association was held at Chicago last week. President Hiram Smith, of Wisconsin, delivered the annual address, in which he held that there was a bright future for the dairy industry. He stated last year's production in the United States to be of cheese 350,000,000 pounds, and of butter 1,500,000,000 pounds. The value of the butter and cheese exported last year is \$27,000,000. Judge Baxter of the United States circuit court, appointed Thomas J. Lathan receiver to take charge of the effects of the late city of Memphis, including taxes unpaid, amount-

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