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A DEBT of 3 cents, which she has owed for 43 years, has just been paid by a Philadelphia woman.

At Dwight L. Moody's Northfield (Mass.) seminary, the science of house-keeping is taught the young ladies.

NEW YORK World: Gov. Campbell's administration has been an honor to the state and a credit to himself and the party that elected him. Moreover, it has been an essentially democratic administration. It has given to Ohio the secret ballot and to the larger cities of the state home rule. Whatever opposition to Gov. Campbell exists in his own party arises from local and personal causes— from matters in which the national democracy has no interest. The coming Ohio election, however, is of national importance, and the citizen of that state who permits petty and provincial causes to imperil Gov. Campbell's chances does not deserve the name of democrat.

THE St. Paul Pioneer Press is a republican paper in good standing, the leading republican paper of the northwest, but the peculiarities of the Niedringhaus plan of Americanizing Welsh tin-plate under McKinley taxes are too much for its partisanship, says the St. Louis Republic. It repudiates it. "It is a good deal easier," it says, "to overlook some things than others in the heat of debate. Some of the particular admirers of the tin-plate feature of the McKinley bill claim that its opponents are trying to make capital out of the fact that a St. Louis man bought a vast amount of the Welsh tin-plate and made money on the advance. What they overlook is the fact that the man's name is Niedringhaus, that he was a member of congress, that he voted for the McKinley bill, and then forthwith bought the tin."

Here the Pioneer Press stops. It has gone far into the merits of the case, but it might have gone farther. One of the essential points it brings out when it shows Mr. Niedringhaus laying in his huge stock of Welsh tin-plate immediately after having voted for a tax against its importation and immediately before this tax went into effect.

But a still more important point is that this Welsh plate is now as thoroughly Americanized as Mr. Niedringhaus is himself. It has good and patriotic stuff in it, and is so deserving by virtue of its naturalization that it is protected against foreign competition by a duty of 2.2 cents a pound. Mr. Niedringhaus can make Americanized campaign tin cups out of it, and no outside Welshman can compete with it. If he tries he will be fined 2.2 cents on every pound of tin-plate he brings in here to be manufactured. This is because it is unpatriotic and un-American to use tin-plate that has not been naturalized and Americanized by the Niedringhaus method.

THE Keokuk Constitution-Democrat thinks Clinton is a Jonah in the way of a show town. It says:

When Forepaugh's show was in Clinton a week ago and preparations were being made for the exhibition, Harry Barnum, the superintendent, was depressed and filled with forebodings of evil. He pointed out an approaching storm and the story which follows demonstrates that the showman's title for the town, "Calamity Clinton," seems to be well founded. The special correspondent of a Chicago paper was on the ground. He tells the story: Sharp flashes of lightning and rolls of thunder told of the approaching fight. It was the elements battling against the canvas. The great tops groated, ropes strained, wind whistled, poles danced, then the heavens poured down a flood of water. The tents stood, but great openings showed that it had received a few wounds. Through the rain the parade marched. Then the sun again appeared and all was once more smiles. "I hope that ends the trouble," said Henry Barnum. "It was coming into Clinton with the Coup show tent we struck a bull and wrecked the train, killing lots of horses and all of Freyer's dogs. The old London was blown down here. Barnum & Bailey's shows had a storm, cut their show and ordered the spectators out in order to prevent a panic. Another small show had an Indian exhibit, and by mistake used leaded cartridges instead of blank ones and killed three persons, besides injuring several others. I tell you boys, there is a fatality about this town."

The performance commenced. Three handsome young men, splendidly formed, with muscles hard as iron were about to enter the arena. The smallest was racing about the dressing room, followed by a strapping youth. They were playing tag at touch with straps instead of hands.

"That's one on me, Harry French," said the gymnast. "Wait until I come down and I will get even."

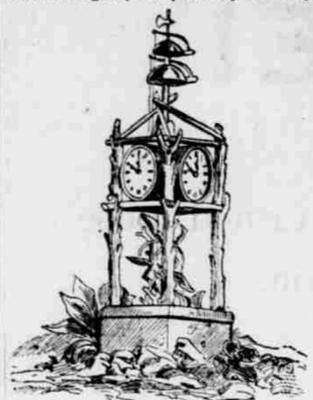
Then he rushed out to join his brothers, these with whom for 24 years he had performed feats that placed them upon the highest round of the ladder of fame.

Within the canvas dressing-room a prostrate form lay, and as the doctors raised their heads from the chest of the body, their voices seemed to echo the words—"All is over."



THE MONTE PINCIO CLOCK.

A Beautiful Piece of Work Run by Water Power and Requiring No Winding. One of the attractions of the beautiful Monte Pincio gardens, at Rome, is a really unique clock, which is usually an object of interest to groups of passersby who stop



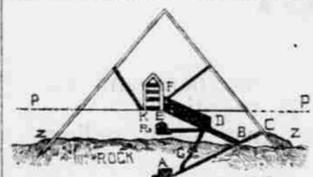
THE CLOCK ON MONTE PINCIO.

to minutely inspect it. A general view and description of this curious and artistic piece of mechanism is given, as follows, by The Horological Review:

The very charming case is composed of three branches in rustic work. It stands upon a square stone block, surrounded on its four sides by beautiful leaf plants, ivy and grasses. The stone foot stands within a water basin. The upper part of the case contains a dial covered with glass on each of its four sides. Upon the cupola stands a staff which carries the two bells for the full hour and quarters. At its upper end is a small vane in the shape of a battle ax. The frame for the wheel and levers of the striking work, in which a small centrifugal pendulum takes the place of the fly, is close underneath the dial. At the back of the clock frame oscillates the second pendulum, and before this is located a mass of rustic work, similar to a large coral growth, from which issue small jets of water at regular intervals. Two of the uppermost coral branches are water conduits, from which empties alternately, at each swing of the pendulum, a small quantity of water into two leaflike spoons underneath, imparting to them an up and down motion. The peculiar motive power furnished by the water keeps the clock in motion, by a very remarkable escapement, so that it never requires winding. The construction of the clock is due to a monk, as is the case with so many old pieces of art work.

Theories of the Great Pyramid.

There has always been more or less mystery surrounding the origin and purpose of the pyramids of Egypt. Popular Science News says we may turn to certain facts which indicate that the builders of the pyramid of Cheops possessed a certain amount of astronomical knowledge. In the cut a vertical section of the pyramid in a north and south direction is given. From the entrance at C a passage leads to chamber (A) excavated in the rock underneath. The sides of the pyramid exactly face the four cardinal points of the compass, and



VERTICAL SECTION OF THE GREAT PYRAMID.

an observer standing in the chamber A, about 3,500 B. C., and looking through the passage A C would see at the end the pole star, or rather the star Alpha Draconis, which was the pole star at that time, but which, owing to the precession of the equinoxes, has since been replaced by our present pole star, Alpha Ursæ Minoris.

The construction of this passage gives an approximate date for the erection of the pyramids which agrees with that established by the best authenticated traditions. P P represents a supposed platform of observation; K, queen's chamber; K, king's chamber; G, natural grotto in the rock; Z Z, accumulated debris; A, subterranean chamber; D E, grand gallery. Branching off from the descending passage C A is an ascending passage, B D, leading to the grand gallery, D E, which in turn leads to what is generally known as the king's chamber.

A new theory advanced by F. de Ballore in La Nature is that the pyramid was only completed during the lifetime of the reigning monarch as far as the fiftieth course of stones, thus forming a platform of observation upon which astrologers could observe the movements of the heavenly bodies and cast the horoscopes demanded by the king. After his death the platform was completed into a pyramid, and the observatory of the monarch became his tomb and monument.

Two Novel Modifications of Sulphur.

According to Industries two novel modifications of sulphur have been recently discovered by Engel. The first, like that proved to exist in Wackenroder's solution, is soluble in water and very unstable. The other is crystalline, soluble in carbon bisulphide and chloroform, and polymerizes slowly in the cold and quickly at a temperature of 100 degs. C.; but, unlike prismatic sulphur, which changes on keeping into the octahedral variety, it becomes converted into the white insoluble form which commonly constitutes so large a percentage of the material known as "flowers of sulphur."

Paper Horseshoes.

The composition of horseshoes of compressed paper, which have been introduced into the artillery and cavalry of the German army, is described by The English Mechanic. The shoe is made of sheets of parchment paper cemented with a preparation of turpentine, Spanish white, lac and boiled linseed oil. The separate layers are stamped out, cemented and consolidated by a hydraulic press. When dry the shoe is rasped to fit.

HIS GREAT MIND.

It Was Embarrassing at First Until He Explained.

As a means of going through life pleasantly the virtues of a gentle, quiet disposition have been praised by nearly all ages. To stand unshaken amid the shock of systems and the clash of worlds is regarded as one of the most valuable attributes of the real hero and the genuine philosopher. Possibly in the greater crises of existence the truth of this proposition will pass unchallenged. That it is entirely beyond criticism in some of those that may be considered as of less importance remains a question.

Sanftherz was a student at one of our leading colleges and boarded during the term and in the vacation with a widow to whom he had been recommended on his first arrival. He was the only boarder, and his landlady and her daughter, who did the general housework, looked upon him as the center and paragon of all the virtues. In fact it was a subject of comment between mother and daughter that they would take his weekly pay with better heart if Sanftherz only gave them a little more trouble.

Such being his disposition, it was a matter of some surprise when he came to the top of the landing one morning and called softly down the stairs: "Mrs. Bengel: Miss Mary, please?"

The latter heard his voice, and going up in a flutter of astonishment saw him standing at his room door.

"I'm very sorry for troubling you, Miss Mary, but won't you kindly bring me a glass of water."

"Of course, Mr. Sanftherz, with the greatest pleasure."

Down she went and returned with the desired liquid.

"Thanks." Thereupon he retired to his chamber, but scarcely had the girl reached the lower floor when he again called her and requested, with a confused blush at the inconvenience he was causing, that she bring him another glass of water.

This was likewise brought up and the previous thanksgiving was repeated. On this occasion, however, she had hardly moved from the spot when he once more came out and repeated his former request.

All wonderment, she once more filled the glass, but as he instantly reappeared after taking it into his room and begged her to fill it up again, she could not contain herself and had to inquire the object of so much water.

The red flush of painful embarrassment rushed over his face and brow. That he should trouble any one so much that they must bother themselves this way about him drove the steel of anguish to his gentle soul. But this very meekness of spirit forced him to answer, painful as it was:

"Well, you see, Miss Mary, my room is on fire, and I'm afraid it's likely to burn down the house."—Philadelphia Times.

A Martyr to Style.

I despise this way of wearing "shows that trail into the dust. But the other women do it. And so I suppose I must.

It is neither neat nor noble. To be wiping up the street. And the only ones who like it. Are the women with big feet.

If only had the courage To endure the scornful smiles Of my fellow female creatures I would cling to olden styles.

I would always have my dresses Short enough to miss the dirt, And I wouldn't wear mud ruffles (On the bottom of the skirt).

But I am too great a coward A decided stand to take. So, with all the rest I follow In a foolish fashion's wake.

And my newest gowns I'm making With a hateful horrid dip. Over which some luckless mortal Will some day be sure to trip.

But I hold I am a martyr Almost worthy of a crown. For my meek and mild adoption Of the now prevailing gown.

—Susan M. Best in Epoch.

The Long and the Short of It.



Short McWade—Shure and ye're twice as high as meself, and I kin do more work than you.

Tall Flynn—En there's nothin' strange about that. Ye're nearer yer work.—New York Recorder.

The Voice of Nature.

Visitor (to proprietor of menagerie)—Good gracious! What excruciating cry was that? Has anybody been attacked by the wild beasts?

Proprietor—Oh, no. It was only Franlein Ohmfurcht, the lion tamer, frightened by a mouse that ran across the floor of her dressing room.—Splitter.

A Practical View.

Professor Potterby—Can you give any example of Spartan simplicity, Mr. Jenkins?

Jenkins—About the simplest act I can think of just now was their staying at that pass until the whole batch was killed.—Indianapolis Journal.

Might Be Worse.

Sally Simm—I've been down to Sandbar beach, and I was almost eaten up by mosquitoes.

Polly Plumpp—Well, dear, they left you the bones, anyhow.—New York Weekly.

Long Toward Morning.

Harry (at the ball)—You look bored and tired, old man.

Jack—Well, who wouldn't? I've been swinging dumbbells all the evening.—New York Herald.

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