

Sir Edward Elgar, the distinguished composer, was at one time like the immortal Wagner, glad to earn a few shillings by putting together quadrills from operated popular airs.

Senator Tullio Massarini died recently in Milan at the age of 78. He was extremely wealthy and noted for his charitable bequests. He had a reputation as a painter and writer on literary subjects, and through his work the German poet Heine exercised considerable influence in Italian belles lettres.

In the mountains of the Tyrol it is the custom of the women and children to come out when it is bedtime for the youngsters, and sing. Their husbands, fathers, and brothers answer them from the hills, on their way home.



To have nothing to hide is a thousand times better than to keep others from finding out our wrong deeds.

**Torture of Women.**  
It was a terrible torture that Mrs. Gertrude McFarland of King's Mountain, N. C., describes, as follows: "I suffered dreadful periodical pain, and became so weak I was given up to die, when my husband got me Wine of Cardui. The first dose gave relief, and with three bottles I am up doing my work. I cannot say enough in praise of Cardui." A wonderful remedy for women's ills. At druggists, \$1.00.

A new slang expression now in popular use in London's smart set, is "Pull up your socks!" It is uttered in contradiction of something that has been just said, or is equivalent to a surprise, as "You don't mean it?" Fancy young man saying to an elderly dowager, who has narrated a strange story, "Oh, pull up your socks!"

In 1833 the German novelist William Raabe wrote a story in which one of the characters remarked that the time would come when there would be an "England of the Pacific ocean," which would then be very animated. "We call it today Japan and stand before it as before a dark riddle."

Expert testimony is likely to depend largely on the man who is paying for the expert.

A waiter in a Seattle restaurant, Martin Kellar, by keeping his ears open, received a tip on which he made a big sum. He heard some guests at his table discussing the chances of making a fortune in Tacoma tide lands. Having saved up two thousand dollars, Kellar boarded the next train and secured an option on a block of tide lands, and in a few days afterward received an offer from the Union Pacific of eighty thousand dollars for the block of lands on which he held the option at twenty thousand dollars. He cleared up sixty thousand dollars on his investment of two thousand dollars.

### REPAIRING BRAIN.

**A Certain Way by Food.**  
Every minister, lawyer, journalist, physician, author or business man is forced under pressure of modern conditions to the active and sometimes overactive use of the brain.

Analysis of the excreta thrown out by the pores shows that brain work breaks down the phosphate of potash, separating it from its heavier companion, albumen, and plain common sense teaches that this elemental principle must be introduced into the body anew each day, if we would replace the loss and rebuild the brain tissue.

We know that the phosphate of potash, as presented in certain field grains, has an affinity for albumen and that is the only way gray matter in the brain can be built. It will not answer to take the crude phosphate of potash of the drug shop, for nature rejects it. The elemental mineral must be presented through food directly from Nature's laboratory.

These facts have been made use of in the manufacture of Grape-Nuts, and any brain worker can prove the value of the proper selection of food by making free use of Grape-Nuts for ten days or two weeks. Sold by grocers everywhere (and in immense quantities). Manufactured by the Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

## Topic Times

The speed of the electric current in copper wire is 463,500,000 meters a second. The fastest ocean steamer makes only 0.8 meters a second.

For swinging a monkey round his head by its tail, George Brown, a showman, was sentenced to twenty-eight days' imprisonment in Liverpool.

The population of Morocco can only be guessed. No census has ever been taken. The best authorities estimate the inhabitants to number about 7,500,000.

Manhattan, Nevada's latest gold mining camp, which is eighty-two miles from Tonopah, now has a newspaper, the Mail. W. F. Bond paid \$40 for the first copy of the press.

Miss Margaret Putnam, of Westfield, Mass., was the only woman who had the honor of passing the examination for admission to the bar of that State out of a mixed class of 235.

In the first edition of the London Medical Credit Guide, shortly to be issued, will be the names of 20,000 living in London and vicinity who have forgotten to pay their doctors' bills.

In order to test the quality of mind of French soldiers, a set of questions—a kind of "general paper"—was sent to sixty-two soldiers at random. Of the sixty-two, seventeen could not write, and so did not answer at all.

Tobacco, which used to be the medium of exchange in the early Colonial days of Virginia, is to-day the currency of British New Guinea. The British administrator there reports that the medium is not the means of a lively trade.

Europe, in comparison with America, has not one-fifth the railway mileage per capita, the figures being 4.5 miles per 10,000 of population, as against 25.9 miles in the United States. The mileage in Prussia per 10,000 of the population is about 18.

Winifred Davidson bought an automobile from a dealer at Santa Rosa, Cal., and started for a town called Occidental. The machine did not take the grades as well as Mr. Davidson had expected, and on his arrival at Occidental he borrowed an ax and chopped his auto to pieces.

Linley Sambourne, the famous English cartoonist, always works from models, and the details of his drawings are subject of the greatest care. He goes to considerable expense and trouble to get a uniform that he may sketch it, and he has a collection of 12,000 photographs of all sorts.

The widow of Don Miguel of Brazil, who ruled for several years over Portugal, is the only member of any royal family in Europe who has taken full vows as a nun. Don Miguel was driven into exile to make way for his niece, Queen Maria della Gloria, the grandmother of the present king.

The recent visit of the Prince of Wales to Burma has attracted notice to the wonderfully rapid growth in size and prosperity of Rangoon during the last twenty years. Then it had a population of only 20,000, whereas today it has nearly a quarter of a million, and a trade inferior only to that of Calcutta and Bombay.

The first inmate of the new jail at Grant's Pass, Cal., a public improvement of which the Grant's Passers are proud, is a pretty 19-year-old girl, who is accused of murdering her father. She is not confined to her cell, is provided with every comfort, including the latest magazines, and is allowed to go out shopping when she so desires.

The Gaekwar, of Baroda, the Indian potentate who has been entertaining the Prince and Princess of Wales, possesses the most wonderful necklace in the world. It is a collar composed of five rows of 100 diamonds each, the whole set between rows of emeralds. Some of the stones are as large as walnuts and all of them are of the greatest purity.

### CLEVELAND'S ODD DISTINCTION.

Ohio's Metropolis is the Savings City of the World.

Eight million persons in the United States have on deposit in savings banks three thousand million dollars. Six per cent of all this money is in the banks of the city of Cleveland, says H. S. Beardsley in Leslie's Weekly. Although Cleveland's population is only one-half of 1 per cent of the population of the whole country, the metropolis of Ohio holds in savings \$185,000,000, or more than 6 per cent of the country's total savings bank deposits. In the proportion of this fund to the number of people, the largest city of the Buckeye State far surpasses any other American or foreign community. Cleveland is the savings city of the world. The reasons for this condition and its effects involve the same importance and interesting facts.

Not long ago a deposit came to a Cleveland savings institution all the way around the world from Bangkok, Siam. Another came from Shanghai,

China. Hundreds of them have come from the Philippines. Money for savings has been sent to Cleveland from every country of Central America and half of those of South America. Cuba, Porto Rico and Hawaii have contributed. England, France, Germany, Italy and Spain have all sent money to be kept in the savings banks of Cleveland, Ohio. Accounts have come to these banks from two of the countries of Africa. Every State in the Union and four of the provinces of Canada have persons who are depositors in the Cleveland savings banks.

You will ask two questions: "How does it happen that these deposits from all parts of the globe are attracted particularly to Cleveland?" And the other question is: "Why does Cleveland hold such a large percentage, proportionately, of the savings bank deposits of the United States?"

The answer to the first question is the spread of banking by mail idea; and the answer to the second question involves the commercial condition and growth of Cleveland itself, by which its savings banks are enabled to pay 4 per cent on deposits, while the savings institutions of New York, Chicago, Philadelphia, Boston and other cities dare not pay usually more than 3 per cent.

### MAIL IN THE WILDERNESS.

The annual mail for arctic circle points within the Dominion of Canada has just been despatched by way of Edmonton, Alberta, over a trial which is not only the longest mail route in the world, but the most desolate and most difficult. Letters only are carried, says a British Columbia correspondent of the New York Sun, and these are limited to one ounce in weight, as the entire bulk of the packet when it leaves Edmonton must come within 300 pounds.

For the 2-cent stamp which decorates the corner of the envelope the letter will be carried in some cases from the extremities of South Africa, Australia or India, and it will most probably be necessary to have the carriers go five or six hundred miles into a frozen, forbidding wilderness. The government expends upon the redemption of the contract of the stamp very many thousand times what it receives, and the carrier must fight single-handed with savage nature. His life and the safety of the precious packet entrusted to him are at all times in hazard.

This is the first year in which the postoffice department of Canada has assumed the delivery of mail in the extreme north. The Hudson Bay Company has heretofore carried messages to and from the arctic and subarctic country. Increases in the numbers of trappers, missionaries, prospectors, settlers and policemen in the extreme north explain the taking over of the responsibility by the Postmaster General of Canada.

The mail is divided into two packets at Edmonton, one for points as far north as Lac La Biche and Fort Resolution, and the other for the straggling outposts of empire as far north as Fort McPherson, the most northerly depot even of the Hudson Bay Company, nearly one hundred miles within the arctic circle, where the year is divided into a single day and night.

The Lac La Biche mail goes by horse only one hundred and twenty miles out of Edmonton. Thenceforward the dog and the reindeer are the carrier's assistants. From Edmonton to Fort McPherson is over a thousand miles. Ten intermediate deliveries are made, and the mail arrives at the fort in April—if it has no exceptional delays.

Besides these packets, several other packets go to the northland about this season, so that all the posts will receive at least one mail a year. There is a mail made up at Prince Albert that goes as far as the head of Reindeer Lake, at the edge of the great Barren Lands. The York Factory packet runs to the far north by way of Windy and the Nelson River. The Moose packet is made up at Mattawa, and goes by way of Abitibi River.

The carriers for the east and west shores of the great bay sometimes meet at the southern ports on the shores of the bay, and the meetings are made the occasion of brief but hearty jollifications. Then each passes on his way.

Newspapers and packages are carried to the north by the annual steamers of the Hudson Bay Company on the Mackenzie River in the summer. Of course letters are also carried, but newspapers convey the tidings of the world, and are treasured as fine jewels.

**Chasing Home the Visitors.**  
"Why do you teach your children to recite and sing?"  
"Well," answered the practical woman, "there has to be some way of starting people who come to see you and forget when it's time to go home."—Washington Star.

**Wayside Chat.**  
"Travel broadens the mind," observed Hamlett Fall.  
"That may be," responded Yorick Haman, "but it's mighty hard on the feet."—Pittsburg Post.

### UNITED STATES SENATOR FROM SOUTH CAROLINA PRAISES PE-RU-NA.



Ex-Senator M. C. Butler.

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