

KENTUCKY COLONELS.

How it Happens that They Are So Numerous in the Blue-Grass State.

It is somewhat hard for an outside barbarian to understand why "Colonels" are so plentiful in Kentucky.

In the first place Kentucky furnished a great many soldiers, both to the Northern and to the Southern armies, during the war, and naturally some of these soldiers are sure-enough colonels by rank and service.

Some executives have been more lavish than others in the distribution of these gilded honors. That kindly old gentleman, Gov. Luke Blackburn, M. C., was fond of conferring honors.

During his term of office, sixty colonels in the city of Louisville alone, if I remember the figures correctly. There are various reasons which entitle a man to this gubernatorial compliment.

Col. Will Hays is a colonel because he is such a gifted poet. During his term of office, he gave his title by Gov. Knott because he was the greatest business manager on earth.

I trust the facts will make it somewhat clearer to the wondering Northerner why colonels are so plentiful in Kentucky. But there are other reasons. Many prominent citizens are honored with this complimentary title simply as a recognition of their merit by the community.

SUB ROSA.

Under the rose is a thorn, we know, And ever in life we find it so, Under the sweetest flowers that blow, Hides the thorn that hurts us so.

Under the rose, but the rose is sweet, Fairest of all the flowers we meet, And never in life will it seem less sweet, For the thorn that pierces unwary feet.

Under the rose that we pick today, The rose that the months are speeding away, The thorn that hidden safely away, Will we find that thorn some other day?

—Emma S. Thomas.

A PAIR OF BRACELETS.

Mrs. Horshaw was unusually fond of her diamonds. Why not? She had not worn them long enough for sweat to rob possession of its first sweet flavor.

There was a ring at the front door and a house maid announced: "A man from Jaecard's Mum."

"What can he want?" she said wonderingly. "However send him up."

Presently a gentlemanly young man entered, his hat in one hand and a small portmanteau in the other.

As an adjunct of fashion, had certain business instincts, and this procedure struck him as unusual, if not queer.

"Well—we'll see when he comes back. But he did not come back. They waited until four o'clock, then Mr. Horshaw, taking the pearls along went to Jaecard's with many misgivings.

"The poorest grade of imitation. Hope you did not think them genuine."

"Evidently a case of gross swindling," said the salesman. "We have no such man in our employ, and you like these pearls he eyed them contemptuously, 'we never handle on any pretense.'"

"There seemed nothing for it but to inform the police, which Mr. Horshaw did forthwith. Then he went home and lectured his wife, aside from grief over her loss, felt quite humiliated at having given her husband such good grounds for asserting himself.

"You may regard yourself as a shining light, my dear," said he, "yet how egregiously you were imposed upon. Grumley intimated that such veridancy was accountable only to the fact that you are a woman."

"I hope so," said the lady weakly, yet dubiously.

WINGED MISSILES.

Rose Elizabeth Cleveland now publishes her own novels. Her latest is said to be engaged on a novel of Washington life.

Marion Crawford, the novelist, says she can walk forty miles at a stretch. Christian science is said to have gone quite out of fashion in Philadelphia.

Jay Gould has an orchid in his conservatory at Irvington that is valued at \$5,000. Thirty million books in the British Museum and the cry is, "Still they come."

The Grand Duke Constantine, cousin to the czar, has recently published a book of poems. A man can attract more attention asleep than awake, if he will only sit down in a public place.

This country is afflicted with what a colored brother would call a "surplus of poor white trash."

Mr. Selah Chamberlain, of Cleveland, gave his beautiful niece \$10,000 as a wedding present. An English lady has left \$50,000 to be devoted to the photographing of stars, planets and nebulae.

Many of us who want to reap the reward of success before we have earned the title to a fair beginning.

HOW CHARLES IRON IS MADE.

A Norwegian engineer, Herr Olsson, of Christiania, has obtained a ten-year patent for a new process for the manufacture of chrome iron.

All that we can say as to the merits of Dobbin's Electric Soap, pales into nothingness before the story it will tell you of its own perfect quality, if you will give it one trial. Don't take imitation. There are lots of them.

A woman without whom is the kind of lady we are all afraid of, but seldom meet. Man will never be a free agent so long as woman chooses either to rule or bamboozle him.

A sure sign that your girl will go by when you are smoking an old pipe. Buenos Ayres is to have a world's fair. Buffalo, N. Y., claims a population of 250,000.

Millions of small black rats infest the corn fields of Texas. Utah has a colony composed of natives of the Hawaiian Islands.

"I am a merchant and planter," writes Mr. T. N. Humphrey, of Tennessee, "and it gives me great pleasure to say that for several years I have used your Epps' Cathartic and I have induced many to try it, with the best of results."

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