

Tells of Witnessing

Volcano in Eruption

Joseph H. Sinclair, representing the American Geographic society, has returned to this country from a hard trip of exploration through Ecuador...

Excellent Work Done

by the Navy Stations

There is a constant increase in the number of compass stations maintained by the Navy department along the various coasts...

A compass station is a wireless plant where special apparatus is used for telling the definite location of a vessel...

Immunity to Poisons Not Yet Understood

One of the most fascinating chapters in animal poisons is the subject of natural immunity...

A case in point is that of desert animals, which are unharmed by a scorpion's sting...

Created Cinderella

It was just three centuries since Charles Perrault, creator of Cinderella and Red Riding Hood...

What Is a Peddler?

The word peddler is derived from an old English word, "ped," as in Spenser's "Shepherd's Calendar..."

Airplanes Cut Journey

An airplane service for gold diggers and others concerned with the newly discovered fields in New Guinea...

Waterproof Glue

Casein glues are exceedingly resistant to the action of water and retain a very high percentage of their original strength...

The Biggest Crater

Two young Swedish students of geology named Wadell and Ygberg, after an expedition in Iceland, have discovered what is believed to be the largest crater in the world...

Too Much Pessimism

Takes Joy From Life

People that are always looking for all the hardships and difficulties that they may meet travel a hard road...

Dear Girls

Amelia Gingham, the noted actress, was bright and gay to the end...

Interesting Old Organ

Count Georg Friedrich Solms-Laubach, flying mate and financial backer of Otto Koennecke, devotes many an evening hour to playing the organ...

Diligence

Our word, diligence, is from the Latin, "diligencia." It means the quality of being diligent...

Hairy Elephants

Historians tell us that, in prehistoric times, mighty mastodons and mammoths were covered from head to tail with a very coarse hair...

Moderation

There is a wide difference between the confidence which becomes a man and the weakness which disgraces a fool...

Large Sums of Money

Forwarded by Wire

Money orders to the number of 3-798,548 and calling for the payment of more than \$250,000,000 were handled last year by the Western Union Telegraph company...

The 1-cent transaction grew out of a difference arising when a person in New York sent an acquaintance in Chicago a postcard bearing a 1-cent stamp...

The three greatest sources of money order business are listed by the company publication as workmen employed on jobs away from their home town...

Remodeled Barn Made

Into Camp for Girls

How an old gray barn in the country near New York city was remodeled into a girls' camp by the New York Association for Improving the Condition of the Poor...

It was an enormous barn, with numerous stalls, three floors, a silo, harness rooms and a magnificent view of the Catskill mountains...

Fifty-five girls were accommodated for five weeks at a time. The time was a radical departure from the usual plan of keeping children for two weeks...

Ol' Dobbin

O horse, you are a wonderful thing; no buttons to push, no horns to honk; you start yourself, no clutch to slip; no spark to miss, no gears to strip...

For State Builders

They who preach patience to the people as the sole remedy for the ills by which they are oppressed...

Bobwhites and Quails

Many people think that the bobwhite and the quail are distinct species of birds. "Bobwhite" is merely the common name for the native American quail...

Forged Cameos

Hundreds of treasured cameos and intaglios, for which large sums have been paid, are spurious, although many of them are masterpieces of art...

Eased His Conscience

In 1882 David Nightingale bought a pair of shoes in John Dickman's store at Peekskill, N. Y., and then left for California without paying for them...

Wrong Beliefs About

Exercise and Heart

The old belief that the heart increased in size according to the increased amount of work it is called upon to perform is a myth...

If an athlete's heart increases in size it is not because of the exercise he has performed, but because there was something fundamentally wrong with it to begin with...

"It is now found," he says, "that the predisposition of the heart to enlargement is the result of infectious diseases, such as scarlet fever, pneumonia, rheumatism and too strenuous exercise in youth..."

"Exercise for pleasure causes no enlargement of the heart, but on the contrary produces a strengthening of the whole body and, normally, even a smaller heart."

Cubans Cling to Old

Instrument of Death

The one machine that the Spaniards are credited with having imported into Cuba 134 years ago is still in use.

It is the "garrote," instrument of death, which greatly resembles an old picture of an Inquisition machine of torture. For many years the garrote served the Spaniards, dealing death to Cuban rebels...

No place but in Cuba is the garrote used officially in executions. A prisoner operates the beholding device and gets money and a time decrease in compensation for his services.

The Havana garrote is said to have taken 184 lives since it has been in Cuban use. Before that it was used in executing Spaniards accused of high treason.—Kansas City Star.

On Molding Character

Now, it is better than nothing for a bad man to have one virtuous impulse; it is better than nothing for a man in a rocky field to find one place where there is soil...

Too Rough

She didn't understand football "Why did they knock that man down as soon as he touched the ball?" she asked.

Rejecting a Compliment

A well-known member of the stock exchange, who is now giving up the close of a strenuous life to philanthropic efforts, was in his hey-day a tremendous gambler in stocks...

Jail Bird

It was one of those little parties at which an out-of-town girl was a guest of honor. In the course of the evening she was introduced to a young man from the prep school...

English Tongue in France

English in eleven lessons so equipped twenty Paris policemen that they answered 350 questions in the new language. This encouraging result caused the prefect, Jean Chiappe, to order 250 more of the force to go to the school...

Snow Storm Formation

Potentially snow storms form in general region of warmth, strange as it may seem. The area of low barometric pressure, or storm sea, comes whirling eastward across the Gulf states and then generally takes a twist northward along the Atlantic seaboard...



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