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MEN WELL KNOWN.

What Paragraphists Have Written About

Them Personal Gossip, Lieut, T. J. Clay, champion rifle shot of the United States army, is a grandson of Henry Clay

George Francis Train has taken up his abode at the famous Berkeley Springs of Virginia. He is writing for the press, lecturing and making himself generally felt as

Allen Crosby claims to have beaten the record on consecutive days' work in shoemak-ing. He has not missed half a day from the bench since May, 1881,

Bismarck is said to be rooted in the belief that his son Herbert will succeed him as the power behind the Prussian throne. This thought gives the old gentleman great joy.

The grave of Richard Wagner at Bayrouth is in a deplorable condition. Weeds cover the marble monument and neglect has cast its blighting influence over a spet that should

Robert Louis Stephenson is still cruising per. The effect of the illustrations is Robert Louis Stephenson is still critising heightened by the use of four colors. Also about the South seas. He is in better health printed on coated paper. than he was. In fact his appetite has improved so much that his yacht was obliged

to stop at the Sandwich Islands. Simon Cameron, although nearly 90, enjoys fine health. He breakfasts on toast and ten at 8 a. m., drinks a pint of champagne at 11, dines at 12, and takes mush and milk for supper. He goes to his room about 8 and reads till 11.

Sir Alexander Cockburn, late chief justice of England, used to work out the first three books of Euclid every year so as to keep his logical faculties clear and prevent him from falling into a slovenly style of reasoning.

It is said that Mr. John Hoey, now president of the Adams Express company, made his mark three years ago by having such a retentive memory that he could recollect the rates to every shipping point. In this way he was able to mark the packages at a won-derfully fast rate, as he never had to refer to the list of rates.

Robert Harding, a young English Socialist, when he wants to make a speech on the streets or public squares, padlocks himself with a chain to an iron fence or some similar fixture. Then when the police come to take him in they have to spend a long time in getting him unfastened, and he can make a pretty long speech before he is carried off.

The Marquis Alexandre R. de Sainte Croix is a clerk in a Chicago hotel, and he is said to E. T. ROBERTS & SON, be much less haughty and arrogant than the average hotel clerk who can write no titles before his name. The young marquis is only 26 years of age, but he has had an adventurous career, covering both hemispheres and the two Americas.

S. Govinda Row Sattay is the name of a Hindoo Brahmin who is passing the summer at Saratoga. His description of India under English government is not creditable to the British. He says that the morals and habits of the people have become corrupt and that they indulge in excesses formerly unknown

It is said that when Jay Gould is very much absorbed in thinking out some big railroad scheme he seems to be very idle, for he sits tipped back in his chair tearing bits of paper into thin strips. Ho is very particular to have the strips of the same width and perfectly even, and his whole mind is apparently given up to this diversion, while he is really not thinking at all of what he is doing with

Doubtless with a prince for a physician many sensitive patients would be hastened along the road to convaisseence through the influence of the imagination alone. This admitted, there seems to be no reason why Prince Louis Ferdinand of Bavaria, who has standing the passed the final medical examination quali-fying him to practice as a physician, should not work up an extensive practice for him-

been reduced to about half to about half the former Professor George Davidson, who recently examined the great Lick telescope on Mount price we have examined the great Lick telescope on Mount Hamilton, Cal., says that when the astronomers in charge make known their discoveries the world will be astonished. Some of the discoveries are, in fact, so novel and wonderful that Professor Holden and his assistants are timid about announcing them for fear the world will consider them illu-

The late Henry Scarlett, of New Orleans, was buried near that city last week, under a rock about 100x200 feet in dimensions. He had amassed a considerable fortune and became possessed with the desire of being buried under the largest possible tembstone. He selected a huge bowlder for this purpose, sent to Atlanta for a stone cutter and had a suitable inscription placed upon the rock, and then a cave was dug down under it, where a coffin was placed to await the corpse. The cave was then sealed up tightly.

Speaking of Bismarck a correspondent says: "If the prince is not a lover of paint-ings—it is said that be has never put his foot inside the Berlin museum-he is fond of music, and when Pauline Lucca used to sing at the opera house he was one of her most assiduous listeners. Bismarck knows and appreciates the great poets, Goethe, Shakespeare and Schiller, and quotes from them frequently in his discourses. He also likes to read sentimental and dramatic novels. Weak in science, he is strong in history and mod-ern languages. He speaks French and Euglish fluently, and knows Russian, Italian and

Paper Pulp from Cotton Stalks.

Several samples of pulp made from the hulls and stalks of the cotton plant have lately been on view at Atlanta, Ga. The pulp is as white as snow, and it is said that it can be converted into the finest writing paper. The ligneous substances of the hulis and stalks are removed by a new process. Fifty per cent. of the fibers are extracted from the hull, which has hitherto been used either for fuel in the mills or for fertilizing purposes, and 38 per cent. is obtained from the stalks, which are generally allowed to rot in the fields. If the process proves successful, the value of these comparatively useless products will be increased tenfold.—Once a Week.

British Civil Service Extravagance, The extravagance of the British civil service has been revealed by a recent investigation. It was found that the solicitor of the treasury had a staff of forty-eight colleagues, that when special work was on hand outside help was obtained, and that the office was so man-aged as to produce the least work at the greatest expense. All the arrangements are wasteful and costly. The yearly outlay is \$110,000, and the same work might be done for half the money.—Foreign Letter.

To Rebuild a Japanese Temple, A correspondent writing from Nara, Ja-pan, says: "The priests of the Dai Butsu pan, says: "The priests of the Dai Butsu temple are trying to raise money to rebuild it, and by small contributions they hope to gather a fund in time. Foreign visitors are handed a book, on the fly leaf of which is written: 'This temple has broken very much, therefore we have the plan to beg all our friend's sociable minds to repair it. We wish all our friends will cast some money.'"

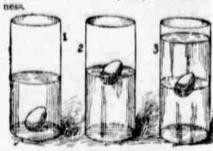
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SCIENCE AND PROGRESS.

THINGS THAT ARE TALKED ABOUT IN THE SCIENTIFIC WORLD.

An Egg Experiment That Illustrates in a Simple but Very Effective Manner the Difference in the Specific Gravity of Liquids.

The egg experiment shown in the accomoanying illustration, while without novelty, is, says The Scientific American, interesting on account of its simplicity and effective-



THE EGG EXPERIMENT.

Two pint tumblers, or similar vessels, are necessary for this experiment. Half fill one with water and the other with strong brine. Into the water drop an egg. It goes to the bottom (see Fig. b). An egg dropped into the brine floats (Fig. 2). By carefully pouring the brine through a long funnel or through a funnel with an attached tube, which will reach the bottom of the tumbler containing the pure water, the water and the equilibrium at the middle of the tumbler.

The first experiment shows that the egg is a little more dense than pure water, the second that brine is more dense than the egg. and the third that the egg can be supported in equilibrium between two liquids of differ-

Photography as a Detective.

Photography is gaining prominence in the criminal courts. With its help a Berlin merchant was lately convicted of crooked ways in keeping his accounts. The slightest differences in color and shades of inks are made manifest in the photographic copy. Blue inks appear nearly white; brown inks, on the contrary, almost black. A contemporary states that the books of the accused were sub mitted to a photographer, who took off the pages concerned and brought into court the most undoubted ocular proofs of the illegitimate after entry of some of the accounts. subsequent chemical test substantiated this ovidence

The photography is to be preferred to the chemical test, explains Scientific American, because it brings its proofs into the court, and submits them to inspection, at the same time leaving the document under examination un-harmed; while the results of a chemical test must be taken on the evidence of the chemist alone, and the writing examined is perhaps destroyed. In another case similar to the above, the changing of the date of a note by an insignificant erasure and addition was proved by means of photography.

Irrigation of the Arid Region.

The appropriation of \$250,000 for the purpose of investigating the extent to which the arid region of the United States can be redeemed by irrigation, and the segregation of the irrigable lands, and for the selection of sites for reservoirs and other bydraulic works necessary for the storage and utilization of water for irrigation, and to make the necessary maps, which was attached to the sundry civil appropriation bill by the senate, will be agreed to by the house. In authorizing the beginning of this important work, the government enters upon an enterprise of greater magnitude than any of the kind it has ever engaged in. Director Powell of the Geological survey has estimated, that, of the arid region, now not susceptible of cultivation, 15 per cent., or 150,000 square miles, or an area exceeding that of one-half the land now cultivated in the United States, may be re-

Egg Shell Method of Preserving Food. The egg shell method of preserving food. particularly meat, without cans, recently patented, consists essentially in inclosing the meat or other article in an expansible wrap-per, such as animal membrame, and subjecting it to a sterilizing steam heat long enough to kill off all germs. It is then immersed in melted vaseline, which forms a permanent coating on hardening, and finally inclosed in a protective wrapper, such as gauze coated with plaster of Paris, or the coating of plaster of Paris may be applied directly on the expansible cuvelope, and the article then placed in a bath of vaseline or other plastic substance, the package thus prepared being wrapped in paper or tinfoil.

An Amusing Experiment.

A very amusing experiment may be performed, claims Popular Science News, by taking a saturated solution of nitrate of potash (saltpeter), and, with a quill pen or fine brush, drawing any picture, design or words upon a piece of white absorbent paper. The lines should be kept away from each other; and the entire subject coarsely drawn in outline, like the elephant in the illustration. When dry, the lines will be nearly invisible; but if one of them be touched with the glowing end of an extinguished match, a spark of fire will run through the paper, following the lines already traced, and cutting out the design as if with an invisible knife.



A PIRE DRAWING.

This experiment is explained by the chemical constitution of the saltpeter. This salt contains a large amount of oxygen, so loosely combined that it readily leaves the nitrogen and potash, and unites with the carbon of the paper, when heated to the point of ignition. The heat developed by the combustion is not The heat developed by the combustion is not sufficient to ignite the paper, except where it has been saturated with the oxygen giving salt; and so the spark of fire, which is really only an indication of a violent chemical reaction, follows the lines previously traced. If an actual flame was brought in contact with the paper, of course the whole would be consumed; but the heat of the glowing charcoal is just sufficient to start the combustion, by the aid of the oxygen in the saltpeter.

Bult may be placed on the table in the large cut glass or silver cellars inherited from one's grandmother. Guests transfer a portion of it to individual cellars with the old time salt apopt.

ITEMS OF ALL SORTS

A mocking bird in Albany whistles Boulanger's march The Germans calls this the "sauergurken-

zeit," or the pickle season. Irrigation has produced a great erop of

musquitoes at Los Angeles, Cal. Italy has admitted 2,000,000 more persons to the right to vote at local elections.

The wool interests in Australia have suffered severely from drought. The sheep have died by millions.

There will be an international horse show in Paris next year, where \$45,000 will be distributed in prizes. The slowest train in this country is a North

Carolina "express," which consumes nine boars in running 100 miles. The Craig-y-Nos property, which Mme. Patti-Nicolini wants to sell, comprises 350 acres, and boasts the finest trout streams in

There are a dozen men in Milwaukee who carry a life insurance of more than \$200,000 each. One, a prominent railroad

man, is insured for \$500,000, Because a Texan woman had not \$60 ready to pay a discharged laborer he went into her field and shot seven mules and a horse that were worth \$1,200.

A citizen of Winneconne, Wis., has succeeded in tempering brass, and has exhibted brass knives and axes that will cut seasoned hemlock knots without turning the

The only recognized G. A. R. post outside of the United States is said to be in Honolulu. It is called Post George W. De Long, and always observes Memorial day with fitting

Editor Criswell, of The Oil City Derrick, has a cane made from the skin of a rattlesnake, tanned, stretched tightly over a hickory stick, varnished and handsomely mounted. It looks as though made of highly polished mottled wood.

The waiters in a New York restaurant having struck, the sharp proprietor rang for a number of district messenger boys, and thus temporarily supplied the places of the strikers until other waiters could be secured.

There is remarkable activity in London in the formation of stock companies, and the class known as "promoters" are waxing wealthy. One of them is said to have made nearly two million and a half of dollars this

An eagle six feet from tip to tip and with talons near two inches long was killed in Georgia the other day, but it took two loads of shot and a rifle ball to do it, and then the bird took such a death grip on its perch that the tree had to be cut down to secure it.

Samuel Nickerson, president of the First National bank of Chicago, has probably the finest collection of rock crystals in the world. One of them is as big as a goose egg and is valued at \$15,000. It is supposed to be the largest in existence.

One of the English regiments is experi menting with a machine called a centercycle, which has four small wheels a foot in diameter and one large one in the center. It is said that the invention makes climbing a hill as easy for a cycler as rolling off a log.

A butcher in Liverpool was recently summoned before a magistrate on the ground of selling horseflesh for beef. He was fined fifty shillings, not for selling the horseflesh, but because it was unsound. The magistrate said that he knew of nothing to prevent a butcher from selling such meat, provided it were good and sound. A bill in the English parliament proposes

to compel the sellers of foreign ment to an-

nounce that fact by a conspicuous placard

on their shop or stall, the idea being that people are deceived into buying foreign meat for the English article as they are into purchasing oleomargarine for butter. The latest gratuity of the eigarette makers is a little vial of cachous for the breath packed in every box of the goods made one firm of manufacturers. Something for the breath was always needed for cigarette

smokers, but no maker ever before showed

the candor to acknowledge the fact in this substantial way. The khedive of Egypt has, by a decree, taxed land devoted to the growing of tobacco in his domains \$157.50 an acre, and the Egyptians have refused to grow tobacco. The result is that, instead of the usual crop of 13,000,000 pounds, not more than 1,000,000 pounds are expected this year, whereat to-

bacco manufacturers particularly rejoice. Twenty bags containing \$50,000 were being conveyed by two men in a cab from one of the London banks recently, when the bottom of the cab gave way and all the bags fell into the street. It was a minute or so before the men could attract the attention of the driver and get him to stop, and the bags were left some distance behind. They were all there, however, when the men hurried back. There were few persons on the street at the time.

Married on Probation.

One of the curiosities of Newport is a pair of young and excellent persons, who reside in Fifth avenue when in New York, who belong to a very fashionable circle of society, and who have married on probation. That is to say, they are betrothed, and the wedding is to take place in October, unless they become convinced in the meantime that they would not get along well together in matri-monial harness. Their method of testing the question is to sustain toward each other for three months, so far as in perfect propriety they may, the relations of husband and wife. She agrees to submit to his dictation as to how she shall clothe herself, with whom she shall dance, and, in short, ascertain by experience whether she would be willing to make him her lord and master for life. In case she finds his dominion irksome she has only to say so and the match is off. On his part, he has the same privilege of breaking the engagement if he discerns evidence that she would be not the kind of a wife he desires. The arrangement is approved by their families and is well known to their acquaintances. - Pittsburg Bulletin.

Family Tomb of Sophocles.

The tomb of the family of the poet Sophocles, mentioned by his ancient anonymous biographer, and constructed in the fifth century before Christ, has just been discovered a mile and a balf from Palæokastron, the supposed ancient rock of Decelea. The artificial tumulus contained three tombs, which were opened in presence of the king of Greece and were found to consist of three funeral urns, one in Poros stone and two in marble, The body placed in the first appears to have been that of a woman, as a mirror was found in it; the other two appear, from the strigils found in them, to have belonged to two young men. No inscriptions were found.— Home Journal.

A familiar figure at the White Su'phur Springs is Gen. Custis Lee, a son of the great Confederate leader and president of Washington and Lee university, at Lexington, Va. He is about 50 years of age, is a bachelor and is held in great esteem by the people of VirNOBBY

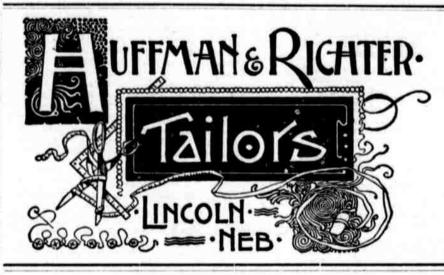
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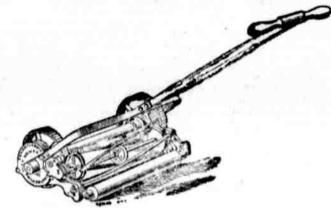
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