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There is not space here to give even a summary of the features to appear next year, but among other things there will be a **NEW DEPARTMENT** and **ADDITIONAL PAGES**, and groups of illustrated articles will be devoted to the following subjects:

- African Exploration and Travel.
- Life on a Modern War Ship (3 articles).
- Homes in City, Suburb, and Country.
- Providing Homes through Building Associations.
- The Citizen's Rights.
- Electricity in the Household.
- Ericsson, the Inventor, by his Authorized Biographer.
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There will be 3 serials. Robert Louis Stevenson will contribute in 1890.

Each subject, and there will be a great variety this year, will be treated by writers most competent to speak with authority and with interest. Readers who are interested are urged to send for a prospectus.

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### ODDS AND ENDS.

In Bohemia there are 2,000,000 Germans and 3,000,000 Czechs.

Tennyson's popularity is evidently not on the wane in England. Within a week after the publication of his new book of poems, on Dec. 13 last, 30,000 copies had been sold.

During the calendar year 1889, 109,140,917 pieces of coin were executed at the mints of the United States, having a total value of \$58,194,032.

Bryennos, archbishop of Nicopolis, has found in a Turkish library at Damascus a manuscript of the New Testament dating from about the middle of the Fourth century.

The Italian government is making a persistent effort to improve the quality of horse-flesh in Italy. It has just bought Melton, the winner of the Derby in 1888, for \$60,000.

The Chinese government has just ordered a new edition of the famous encyclopedia which was originally compiled during the reign of Kien-Lung. The index alone fills twelve folio volumes.

The death of Sappovono, the most influential of the Utes, calls attention to the fact that Sitting Bull is now the oldest Indian of prominence in the United States.

At present 588 periodicals appear in Berlin. Thirty-six of them belong to the political daily press, 491 are the organs of special, social, educational and industrial interests, and fourteen are devoted exclusively to military matters.

There has been a monster baby show in Melbourne. Upward of 700 infants were on view, and 30,000 people went to see them. The exhibition has aroused an indignant protest against the employment of babes for the entertainment of adults.

The petroleum production of southern California last year reached 18,000,000 gallons, valued at \$1,300,000. The article is of special value to that region. Its utilization as fuel for manufacturing purposes has had much to do with solving a vexed question.

The London Zoological society now possesses a white peacock. The bird preserves the markings which distinguish the species, particularly the large eye-like spots on the tail feathers. The effect of these spots is remarkable. They are exactly like the pattern on a damask tablecloth.

The work of making a public park out of Gen. Putnam's revolutionary headquarters at Redding, Conn., carried on at the expense and by the direction of the Connecticut legislature, has been finished. A thicket surrounds the park, and the Putnam monument faces the entrance. There are a mile and a half of driveways, seven springs of water, apple trees a century old and many log houses.

The pleasant French custom of interchanging visiting cards through the post on New Year's day with one's friends and acquaintances is fast dying out in Paris. The postal authorities declare that there has this year been an immense falling off, and it is well known that several members of "high" have for the last year or two studiously avoided the practice.

A periodical for betrothed is the most recent venture in Vienna. It is published twice a month, and its contents are suited to its aims, which really are advertising, for the editor tells his prospective readers that every announcement of a betrothal or marriage will be inserted gratuitously, provided the happy couples will buy their trousseaux of the tradesmen advertising in his paper.

A curious watch has been brought out in France. The dial is transparent, but there are no works behind it, and the hands appear to move by magic. The secret lies in concealing the works at the edge of the case, and communicating the motion to the hands by means of a glass disk, which acts as a toothed wheel. The disk revolves between the front and the back of the dial, which are both of glass, and hence its motion is unperceived.

The Germans have been the pioneers in scientific forestry, as in so many other lines of progress. With a total forest area of only 34,346,000 acres, of which 11,334,000 belong to the state, the German empire now has no less than nine schools of forestry, and during the three years ending with 1888 it published 177 books on the various branches of the subject. There are also ten periodicals devoted to forestry, and a general association of foresters with annual meetings, and ten local societies.

British literature in 1889 was not so productive as during the previous twelve months. Theology, educational works, travels, history, poetry, science, art and political economy all showed a slight decrease, but, on the other hand, the lighter style of literature was in advance of 1888. Thus more books for young people were published, while there were no fewer than 1,040 new novels and stories, besides 364 reprints. In "Belles Lettres" more fresh editions were issued than new books, owing to the large number of reprints of the classics.

Some of the new English freaks in table-decoration are almost incredibly tasteless. Boxes imitating battle axes, helmets, spears and keys are made the receptacles for blossoms, and ribbons of frosted gauze are used to hold the stems together. The helmets would be tolerable at a military dinner, but elsewhere they are absurd. Why not use a silk hat for a flower vase?

### The Russian Exile System.

"Of the solitary confinement in the Russian castles the most frightful stories have been told," said George Kennan in a recent interview. "It means absolute burial, insanity and finally death. You might as well put a man in a sepulchre in a graveyard and seal him up with the scantiest supply of food that will sustain life, as to immerse him in one of the cells of the Fortress Petropavlovski, which translated means the Fortress of St. Peter and St. Paul."

"Happily a movement has begun in the United States, which it is barely possible may lead to an amelioration of the condition of many of these unfortunate exiles. Petitions are to be circulated throughout the country addressed to the czar and conveying to him the sense of the American people on this subject, in the hope that he may take a more merciful view of the exile system than has heretofore prevailed and make such a revolution as will rob it of its greatest horrors. This expression of opinion will be presented to him through the International Prison association, which meets in St. Petersburg during the present year, and instructs as the czar is not an overbearing or relentless man, the effort is worthy of the largest encouragement by our people."

In conclusion, Mr. Kennan remarked that the subject was an exhaustless one, and though many books had been written, the half had not been told, nor could the half be conceived of the frightful results of this peculiar system of punishment.—F. G. De Fontaine.

### She Took Her Dick.

He took a her-  
Dick one stormy night  
And went to see a maiden fair  
Beneath her par-  
Let's dim, uncertain light,  
On bended knee his love did swear  
She took her Dick!  
—Boston Herald.

# A CRUISE IN THE OLD ARM-CHAIR.

## CHILDREN'S SONG.

Words and Music by HUBERT WATKYN.

*mp* (Verse 3 to be sung slowly, in a doleful manner.)

1. Oh, who will come a-sail-ing with me  
2. Our snow-y sail (a ta-ble-cloth) is  
3. Oh, dear! oh, dear! our voy-age is o'er—Our

*Con moto.*

*mp*

cross the o-c-ean foam?... We'll sail to lands a-cross the sea, Then back a-gain to  
think of us up-on the sea, Al-though not out of sight.....  
help poor ship-wreck'd mar-i-ners— A most un-luck-y band?.....

home.... Our ship shall be the old arm-chair, The ear-pet shall be the sea;... For a  
hind;... See, there they stand up-on the quay, Be-side the fen-der bright;... They'll  
last;... With aid of fa-ther's walk-ing-stick We all got safe to land;... Who'll

**CHORUS. mf**

must we fa-ther's walk-ing-stick—So come a-board with me..... 1 & 2. Heave ho!  
think of us up-on the sea, Al-though not out of sight.....  
help poor ship-wreck'd mar-i-ners— A most un-luck-y band?..... 3. Heave ho!

*mf*

heave ho! Now we're off to sea!... Our boat's a-rock-ing up and down—The  
heave ho! Now we're back from sea!... Our boat's, etc.

winds are blow-ing free;... We've a bon-ny craft a-fore and a-aft; Our crew's be-yond com-

pare;... So off we go—yeo ho! yeo ho! For a cruise in the old arm--chair!  
3. And soon we'll go—

*Sec. ad lib.*

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