

The Nitrate Deposits of Chile.
The caliche, or raw nitrate of soda, is not equally distributed over the pampas of Chile. The most abundant deposits are situated on the slopes of the hills, which probably formed the shores of the old lagoons. An expert can tell from the external appearance of the ground where the richest beds are likely to be found. The caliche is not found on the surface, but is found in layers of varying thickness, from a few inches to twelve feet, and is composed of fragments of shells and other fragments of earth called caliche.

The Age of Fresh Eggs.
As to just how old the eggs may be when they get into the hands of the consumer in this town is a matter for conjecture, and a task that would cause pleasant thrills in one inclined to mathematics. Any one who has ever spent any time in the country and made a proper use of his eyes knows it is the habit of farmers to keep their eggs until they have a certain quantity before disposing of them.

The Year 1881.
The year 1881 was a chronological oddity of the oddest kind, besides being a mathematical curiosity seldom equalled. From right to left and left to right it reads the same. Eighteen divided by 2 gives 9 as a quotient; 81 divided by 9 gives 9; if divided by 9 the quotient contains a 9; if multiplied by 9 the product contains two 9s; 1 and 8 are 9; 8 and 1 are 9. If the 18 be placed under the 81 and added the sum is 99; if the figures be added thus—1, 8, 8, 1—it will give 18 as the result. Reading from the middle from right to left or from left to right it is 18 and 18 is two-ninths of 81. By adding, dividing and multiplying, 10 9s are produced, being one 9 for each year to the beginning of the last decade of the Nineteenth century.

A Very Old English Cloth.
Fustian is a species of cotton cloth much used by the Normans, particularly by the clergy, and appropriated to some orders for their casubles. The Cistercians were forbidden to wear them made of any material but linen or fustian. A stronger description was first manufactured in England, at Norwich, temp. Edward VI.

Scared Burglars by His Voice.
The ventriloquist, Fred MacCabe, has put his special gift to good use. Retiring late one night he tossed about for some time unable to fall asleep, and then, hearing footsteps down stairs, he felt convinced that thieves had got into the house. Crawling down stealthily close to where they were at work he, by means of ventriloquism, began a conversation and hullabaloo in many voices: "Here they are! Bring the lights! There they go! Shoot, shoot them quick!" The whole gang of burglars thereupon bolted in panic, leaving all their intended plunder behind.—London Tit-Bits.

A Sufficient Recommendation.
Little Dick—Aren't you goin to call on that new neighbor across the street? Mamma (hesitatingly)—I don't know anything about her yet.
Little Dick—Oh, she's all right. She's the mother of that new boy I play with.—Good News.

Books Versus Light and Air.
Better live in a house without windows than in a house without books.—Ram's Horn.

Two Mythical Islands.
Marco Polo's "Travels" gives a curious account of two islands, "distant from Kanesogoran about 500 miles toward the south, and about thirty miles from each other, the one being inhabited by a company of men without a single woman among them, the other by women without the company of men. They are called, respectively, the Island of Males and the Island of Females."

Boards of Trade in Western Cities.
The novelty in western life is the inevitable combination of leading citizens pledged to promote the best interests of their town. Such a body is variously called a board of trade, a chamber of commerce or a commercial club. It is the burning glass which focuses the public spirit of the community.

And Yet He Gave Him Six Months.
A fine, stalwart man, with a frank, open expression, was arraigned for stealing a pair of shoes from a dealer. "Did you steal the shoes?" asked the judge. "He caught me, judge, with the shoes and the box in my hand. I'll tell you how it was," began the complainant, but he was cut short and reminded that the prisoner had pleaded guilty. "How did you come to steal the shoes?" You look like a hard working man," remarked the court. "Well, I stole them, judge, and he caught me," was the reply. He was committed for six months. The judge remarked later: "I was rather taken with that man. He came up to the bar like a Marc Antony, not with the sleek expression, 'Your honor,' or a whine of any kind. Had he given me any good excuse I would have been very lenient with him, for if I am not very much mistaken in my judgment he is no thief, but an unfortunate fellow who was pinched by poverty."—Brooklyn Eagle.

Carlyle's View of Aprons.
Carlyle in his "Sartor Resartus" was able to find a deep philosophy in aprons. "Aprons are Defenses; against injury to cleanliness, to safety, to modesty, sometimes to roquetry. From the thin slip of notched silk (as it were, the emblem and beattified Ghost of an Apron), which some highest bred housewife has gracefully fastened on; to the thick tanned hide girt around him with thoughts, wherein the builder builds and at evening sticks his trowel; or to those jingling sheet iron aprons, wherein your otherwise half-naked Vulcanus hammer and smelt in their smelt furnace—is there not range enough in the fashion and uses of this vestment?"

A Tree That Furnishes Beal Lace.
The lacabark tree grows in the West Indies. It is a lofty tree, with ovate, entire, smooth leaves and white flowers. It is remarkable for the tenacity of its inner bark and the readiness with which the inner bark may be separated—after maceration in water—into layers resembling lace. A governor of Jamaica is said to have presented to Charles II a cravat, frill and ruffles made of it.—Goldthwaite's Geographical Magazine.

Another Plan.
Aged Admirer—Think of all the luxuries a rich husband like me could give you.
Miss De Young—Oh, a rich father would do just as well. Marry my mother.—New York Weekly.

A Well Made Rope.
A rope two inches in diameter has run at a speed of between 4,000 and 5,000 feet per minute, day and night, for eight years without having apparently approached its limit of durability.—Power.

FACTS FOR AN OBITUARY.
The Good Men Do Lives After Them and Is Detailed to the Reporters.
As disagreeable a duty probably as any that ever falls to the lot of a reporter is the getting of facts for the obituary notices of persons who are not especially prominent. Newspaper men always shrink from the work and are loath to enter a house of mourning. The exigencies of the profession demand it, however, and strange as it may seem, sometimes the men actually have congenial experiences.

"Oh, I'm delighted to see you," replied the woman effusively, in answer to the deprecating words of the man. "I've always wanted to see a reporter," she added, looking curiously at the specimen before her, as though astonished at seeing a respectably appearing individual. Then followed the ordinary questions by which the reporter found out when and where the man was born, where he was educated, the list of clubs and fraternal lodges of which he was a member, whether he had fought in the war, and a dozen other things.

"Indeed?" said the reporter, brightening up at the prospect of swelling his stickful of matter to at least a quarter column. "I had forgotten to ask the occupation. Will you kindly furnish me with a list of his works?" "Oh, he didn't write books!" "Magazine articles?" queried the reporter, with wavering hopes. "No," said the woman. "Newspaper man perhaps?" asked the reporter sadly, for his imaginary quarter column had again shrunk to an actual stickful.

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