

POINTERS.

SIGNALS THAT TELL OF TROUBLE AHEAD.

Are Loath to Face the Fact That the Human Machine is Wearing Out—A Heavy Heart—Gray Hairs—Other Warnings.

Nature is one of the kindest of mothers. She is ever on the affectionate alert to let her million children know of the ills that menace them and to hold the danger signal that tells of trouble ahead.

The trouble with us is that we will not prepare for the tornado until it is upon us; that we want a clubbing to find out that our skull can be cracked.

BETTER AVOID A RUSH.

That heavily beating heart that thumps against your ribs when the run is over is one of nature's pointers, and one given with a good deal of seriousness.

Your barber one day sends the cold shivers down your back by telling you that your hair is getting thin on the top of your head.

GET AWAY FOOLISH THINGS.

It is, perhaps, impossible to imagine any one of nature's pointers that is more unwillingly received than this.

The scientific of these pointers is by no means exhausted, however. The tailor has one or two of them in store for us.

An Example of Free Agency.

E's mamma having been very ill in the spring, I presume some one had told him that God had sent the illness, for, in the summer, after partaking a little too freely of watermelon, he came and stood by my side and, looking very uncomfortable, said: "God didn't send this stomachache, did he? That's my own business, 'cos I ate too much watermelon."

A CURIOUS MIMETIC FRAUD.

One of the Phasimide Family—Like a Wisp of Hay.

My introduction to them occurred on the borders of Lake Shirwa—one of the smaller and less known of the great African lakes—and I shall record the incident exactly as I find it in my notes.

The hay itself was the chirombo. I do not exaggerate when I say that that wisp of hay was no more like an insect than you catch him his limbs are twisted.

Having once assumed a position, by a wonderful instinct, he never moves, or varies one of his many angles by half a degree.

Fasting and Poisons.

The advance of rational therapeutics will be characterized by increased precision in instructions as to the mode of taking medicaments, their relation to food, their state of dilution, difference of action according to temperament, and so forth.

Impertinence of Little Mice.

I am free to confess that I love old clothes, boots, hat and everything else, simply because I dislike the unmanly remarks of those I meet.

Cotton Mills of the South.

Cotton mill building in the south is being pushed with almost blind zeal. Within two months announcements have been made of sixty new mills.

Imbedded in a Brick.

George Herrick, of Logansport, in watching the demolishing of an old building in that city recently, saw a clay pipe imbedded in a brick.

The Chilean government is advertising in this country for proposals for the construction of 800 miles of railroad in Chili at an approximate cost of \$17,000,000.

PRENTICE AND TRAIN.

INTERVIEW BETWEEN THE AGITATOR AND THE FAMOUS EDITOR.

Pen Portraits of Two Noted Men—Prentice in Everyday Working Dress and Train in a Dandy Suit—Dictating to an Amanuensis.

One afternoon about twenty-two or three years ago, a debonaire young gentleman walked into the editorial rooms of the old Louisville Journal and asked to see Mr. Prentice.

Being then Mr. Prentice's amanuensis and private secretary, I presented Mr. Train to the immortal George D., wit, poet and editor. Train seemed to be a little staggered.

This was the famous editor, the author of "The Life of Henry Clay," the champion and bosom friend of "Frisco Harry" of the West.

Boating in a Big Fiddle. A German newspaper, in its account of the floods at Tenesvar, reports the salvation of an old gypsy fiddler upon the quaintest boat, probably, that has ever been seen.

Heaving a Cetero. Tito Vignoli, an Italian scientist, furnishes to the Rendiconto del Reale Istituto Lombardo a detailed account of the obscure physiological phenomenon known as "color hearing."

The Shingle in Decoration. The very thing in decoration is a shingle. The selection is made of one as free from defects as possible, and upon it is painted a figure, often a tambourine girl or a copy of Whittier's "Barfoot Boy."

A Gorgeous Drawing Room. The drawing room in Potter Palmer's Lake Shore castle, in Chicago, has just been furnished and decorated at a cost of \$40,000.

Hunting for Lost Gold. The muddy bottom of Chippewa river, Ontario, is being raked for gold.

What! The United States? The name of our country ought to be the same in all languages.

In France and French Switzerland we are "Etats Unis;" in Austria-Hungary, Belgium, Germany and German Switzerland, "Vereinigte Staaten;" in Bolivia, Brazil, Chili, Colombia, Costa Rica, Salvador, San Domingo, Ecuador, Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras, Mexico, Monaco, Nicaragua, Venezuela, Uruguay, Spain and Portugal, we are "Estados Unidos;" in Norway, "Forenede Stater;" in Sweden, "De Forenede Stater;" in Greece, "Enomenai Politai;" in Russia, "Soedineneia Stadts;" in Italy, "Stati Uniti."

Besides the British Empire, we have the honor of being called by our own name United States, only in the limited and despairing republic of Liberia, in Africa.—New York Mail and Express.

Slippers for Clergymen.

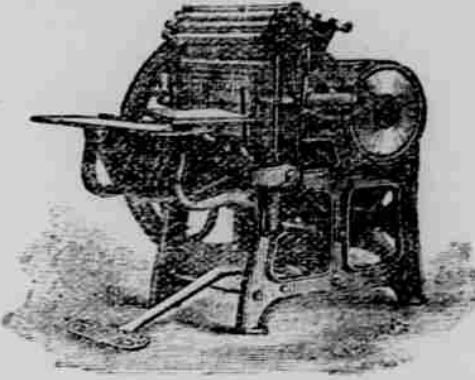
Why are women forced by a blind necessity of their being to offer slippers to clergymen? The clew will be found in the love of spinsters for their pet animals.

But why slippers? the thoughtless reader afflicted with a chronic paresis of memory may ask. Ah, they do not remember, then, a thin clinging bit of leather wielded by a gentle but determined hand which smote them unawares—or other wheres?

Vandalism in Public Libraries. "Cranks are not the only people who strive to make a librarian's life burdensome," said the manager of one of New York's big public libraries a few days ago.

Book vandalism is not confined to one class of library loungers, however, for while thoughtless schoolboys and silly maidens are the principal offenders, clerks, students, lawyers, doctors, and even clergymen form the majority of book abusers.

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