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A Plum Pudding in Russia.
 Does any one remember Byron's famous plum pudding story? If so, the Nikita plum pudding story may strike them as somewhat of a parallel. While staying at St. Petersburg for Christmas, some English friends of the young singer, thinking to please her and regardless of the effects on her voice, sent her a monster plum pudding as a surprise. Imagine her amazement and trepidation when it was announced in every morning paper that a large box, supposed to contain an infernal machine, directed to the young singer, had been deposited at the nearest police station. A letter reached her from an authority—there are many authorities about in St. Petersburg—informing her that the police were chary of opening the box, fearing it might be dangerous to their lives, but did she know of any one valiant enough to attempt the deed, the box should be hers.

Her impresario undertook to die in the attempt, and on arriving at the police station for that express purpose was somewhat relieved to find the huge package reposing quietly enough in a tank of water. Now came the moment for the untying of the Gordian knot, and there reposed, wrapped in linen within an earthenware bowl, the pudding dearest to the heart of Englishmen on the 25th of December as every year comes around. The police still refused to be satisfied, and insisted that the terrible thing might shroud a mysterious bomb. After a vast amount of probing and pronging, the pudding was at length conveyed to its destination, and both it and the joke were heartily enjoyed by the Nikita party.—Gentlewoman.

A British Officer's Invention.
 Captain Wilson, R. N., of the torpedo instruction ship Vefnon, has invented an appliance for cutting through the torpedo nets with which modern warships protect themselves from torpedo attacks. The experiments already made prove to the fullest extent the tremendous power of the new invention, which has fully realized all its originator claimed for it. The inventor of the torpedo net ridiculed the idea of any instrument being able to cut through his tough steel wire netting. But the trial just made has proved the emptiness of his boast. The great momentum of the Whitehead torpedo, armed with Captain Wilson's new torpedo cutters, enabled it to cut its way through any torpedo net, even when the latter was set an angle of 45 degs., without apparent retardation of its flight. The cutter consists of blades arranged scissor fashion, which sever the wire meshes of the net, making an aperture sufficient for the entrance of the torpedo.—Electricity.

A Unique Theater.
 A stock company in Vienna is about to begin building a unique theater in one of the recently annexed districts. The cost is to be \$250,000 or \$300,000. The roof is to be a great rolling iron curtain, after the style of iron curtains now used before shop windows, and on hot summer nights it is to be drawn aside so that the audience may be refreshed. With that arrangement the company expects to be able to carry out its plan to give a performance every evening in the year, or 422 performances annually, including routines. The theater will accommodate 3,000 persons, and the highest price for a place outside of the boxes is to be only forty cents, although the heaviest classical plays and the works of the best modern dramatists are to be produced on its stage.—Architecture and Building.

A Rubber Pavement.
 When I was in Germany a few years ago I was shown a street pavement that had been laid which was made of rubber. It was almost noiseless, and some went so far as to say that if it proved successful otherwise it would do away with vehicle springs. The only objection made to the pavement was that it was feared it would be affected by the change of temperature. I saw a man the other day who had recently arrived from Germany, and he told me the pavement of which I have spoken has proved to be a complete success. That it is not changed by cold or hot weather, and that it wears well even under the heaviest teaming.—Interview in Chicago Tribune.

A Blind Black Eel.
 Mr. V. N. Edwards, of the United States fish commission, has obtained from Cuttyhunk pond a very singular eel. The eyes are entirely concealed under the skin and the color is uniformly dark, almost black. In form and proportions it is like the common eel, and may prove to be merely a dark colored blind example of this species. Trout and other fish become dark in color as a result of blindness, and this may be another illustration of a phenomenon which is often observed by fish culturists. The length of the specimen is about thirteen inches.—Forest and Stream.

Everybody Was Mad.
 Nate Cook, of Brownsburg, Ind., purchased an old house, in which was stored a photographer's outfit. People curiously inclined broke into the house and examined the pictures, but carried nothing away. Cook was very much incensed, and he caused the arrest of eighteen or twenty of the very best people of Brownsburg, charging them with trespass. The cases were afterward dismissed, but not until all Brownsburg was mad enough to wreak vengeance on everybody concerned in the prosecution.—Philadelphia Ledger.

A Hungry Eagle.
 One day last week Mr. P. C. Thorp shot a sea gull in the harbor of Southport, N. C., but before the bird could be secured a large bald eagle, hitherto unnoticed, swooped down and carried off the gull, soon disappearing with it in the direction of Fort Caswell.

Paris Libraries.
 In spite of the pressure of modern life and the abundance of periodical literature, 1,277,436 books from the Paris municipal libraries have been read during the year.—European Herald.

An Officer in the Militia.
 "Did it ever occur to you," said a West Point graduate and a national guardman the other day, "what it means to be a popular officer in the national guard? Something quite different, I assure you, from being a popular officer in the regular army. Why? For this reason: In the army, if an officer takes care of his men, sees that they get their clothing and pay promptly, looks out for their interests in case they are so unfortunate as to be locked up in the guardhouse, no matter how strict a disciplinarian he may be, or how he may make the men stand around, he will be popular with them. But here in the guard the relationship between officer and men is entirely changed. The rank and file, who are men that need no supervision of their personal affairs, expect their officers to be 'good fellows' socially.

"An officer need not be a strict disciplinarian to be very popular, but it is only fair to say that the majority of national guard officers, especially in some of our crack commands, have just as thorough an understanding of military requirements as regular army officers. Everything else being equal, therefore, the popularity of the men may be compared as that of a man among employees or among his club equals. I mention these facts to show how easily a regular army officer could fail to succeed in the guard, and vice versa, how impossible it would be for a guard officer, whose easy going society ways are an essential part of his success in his rank, to make a name for himself in the army."—Brooklyn Eagle.

Pedigree of Boston's "Four Hundred."
 "Every chap in Boston has been running for a pedigree lately," said a good natured son of the Emerald Isle yesterday at the North End mission, "and some of them fellers up there on Bacon's Hill, as have been putting their names in the Four Hundred lately, ought to be ashamed of themselves for trying to deceive people. Sure, one of them that goes a strutting about with his eyeglass came from just the same stock as meself and has nearly blinded his two eyes looking for his name in the book of martyrs.

"His grandfather and mine came over from the old country in the ship Marianne about fifty years ago, wid the same intention of making a home. "Begorra, there was no aristocracy on board the Marianne, for he washed the dishes and me grandfather did chores around the vessel. "And ye should see them now. Know me? Faith, if there wasn't anybody else in the city to know, they wouldn't know Tim Doherty. "It's nothing but the ancientness of their families you hear of these days. But we'll all be dead some time and then the families of all of us will be ancient enough to put in the Four Hundred."—Boston Herald.

Fraud Worth More Than the Original.
 The art frauds that have taken shape and substance, which remain to outnumber the world as false coin ever circulating from hand to hand, are of all times and periods. The archeology of fraud even has become a science; some of the overt and acknowledged frauds themselves have attained the status of precious and coveted works, more valuable in the strange gyrations in the wheel of time than the originals they simulated. Michael Angelo's marble Cupid, for instance, which he made in secret, broke and mutilated, buried in a vineyard, and dug up again himself, all for the express "taking in" a certain cardinal, collector of antique marbles and connoisseur of modern art, is a case in point. If this particular Cupid could now be identified it would probably be worth more than the most beautiful genuine antique work of its kind which Italian soil still enshrouds.—Nineteenth Century.

Meat and Water Diet Gives Strength.
 Sir Francis Head tried the diet of the Pampas Indians, which consists of the flesh of mares, for these savages eat neither bread, fruit nor vegetables. He says: After I had been riding three or four months, and had lived on beef and water, I found myself in a condition which I can only describe by saying that I felt that no exertion could kill me, although I constantly arrived so completely exhausted that I could not speak; yet a few hours' sleep upon my saddle on the ground always so completely restored me that for a week I could daily be upon my horse before sunrise, could ride till two or three hours after sunset, and have really tired ten or twelve horses a day. This will explain the immense distances which people in South America are said to ride, which I am confident could only be done on beef and water.

To Cut Glass with Shears.
 A sheet of glass—a window pane for example—can be cut as easily as a sheet of cardboard. The secret consists in keeping the glass, the shears and the hands under water during the operation. The glass can be cut in straight or curved lines without a break or a crack. This is because the water deadens the vibrations of the shears and the glass. If the least part of the shears comes out of the water the vibration will be sufficient to mar the success of the experiment.—L'Illustration.

A Candid Reply.
 "Now be honest," said the second party to a horse deal, as he slipped the halter on his exchange. "Is the animal worth carrying home?" "No," replied the former owner frankly, "he ain't, but he's worth leading home, if you're going in that direction."—Kate Field's Washington.

America's Seven Wonders.
 The seven wonders of America are classed as follows: Niagara falls, Yellowstone park, Mammoth cave, the Canyons and Garden of the Gods, Colorado; the giant trees, California; the natural bridge, Virginia, and the Yosemite valley.

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