

A RIDICULOUS CLAIM.

That Natural Laws Can Operate While Trusts Are in Full Control. Most of the witnesses who have appeared before the industrial commission representing the trusts have taken the view that these combinations can be relied upon to conform to the natural laws governing commerce and industry without the intervention of legislative enactments.

NEW JERSEY'S TRUST LAWS.

Amazing Disclosures Made Before Industrial Commission by Ryan. The amazing disclosures made to the industrial commission by Dennis B. Ryan of Jersey City in regard to the flagrant violations of the New Jersey corporation laws will be presented in strong form to the proper authorities of New Jersey.

GREENBACKS THE BEST.

The Only Scientific Method of Providing the Circulating Medium. Away back in the seventies we had the honor to support Peter Cooper on a platform that we helped to write. The older we grow the more inclined we are to the opinion that greenbackism comes nearer being right, so far as the money question is concerned, than gold and silver.

WISE WOODPECKERS.

How They Drive Worms from the Inside of a Tree. A Chicago professor who has been in the Maine woods this summer tells an interesting story of the intelligence of a family of woodpeckers which he encountered near the headwaters of the Allegash, and which were most uncommonly bright birds.

SAILOR'S SUPERSTITION.

Some of the Things That Bring Bad Luck to a Ship. Pets are believed to bring good luck, and when, in the recent war with Spain, a man was struck and killed by a bursting shell on the Texas, all the sailors in the fleet said it was because the battleship was without a mascot.

PRESIDENT'S PERQUISITES.

France Far from Liberal with Her Chief Executive. France, which assumes the responsibility of furnishing the president with his household needs, is not particularly lavish in this respect. The highest representative of the republic receives free his heat, light, kitchen utensils, linen, porcelain and glassware.

How to Lay Bricks.

Estimates are based by the 1,000 bricks laid in a wall. It is customary to deduct for doors, windows, arches, etc., but not for flues, ends of joists, girders, window frames, sills or lintels.

A Clean Coal Mine.

The Hillan coal mines, opened in 1855, seem to be nice places to work in. The seam of coal runs from the shore under the waters of the Pacific ocean, and the tunnels are so clean that you could walk through them in a dress suit without making yourself dirty.

Belgian King a Speculator.

The king of Belgium is a born speculator. From his parents he inherited three-quarters of a million sterling. With this capital he began to speculate, and showed his masterly skill as a financier in his dealings in Panama canal stock.

Window Guards.

Windows without guards, especially in nurseries or chambers or playrooms occupied by small children, are sources of terrible accidents. In fact, they are invitations to fractured skulls and sudden death.

A Michigan Miracle

Speech Restored after Nearly 13 Years.

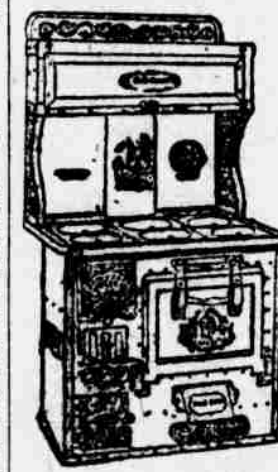
The Ypsilanti Commercial, Ypsilanti, Mich. Many things appear miraculous that are really the result of natural laws, the workings of which can be accurately predicted.



Mrs. Harriet Begole.

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