

MINNESOTA'S WILD GIRL.

Clothed Only in Her Own Hair and Howling like a Beast.

A remarkable human monstrosity has been discovered at Paysonville, Minn.

The daughter of a rich widow at that place, sixteen years old, in all that time has never seen the free light of day, except what occasional glimpses she could catch from two small, barred windows of the little room in which she is confined.

At times she makes noises like those of a bleating calf, and then she is supposed to be happy. But they do not continue for any length of time.

She has many times been examined by physicians, who pronounced the case hopeless. No one can suggest a remedy for it.

Her health has always been good, and it is possible that she will live to an old age. Naked, chained, unintelligible and apparently subject to the most terrible mental depressions and bodily pains she is still doomed to live.

MOTHERS AS MATCH-MAKERS.

The Point at Which the Parents' Interference Ought to Stop.

There is a kind of match-making which it is a mother's duty to attempt, writes Amelia E. Barr in the Ladies' Home Journal. But it has strict limitations.

It resolves itself into the simple duty of introducing to her daughter young men whose moral character is good, who are in a position to marry, and who, physically, are not likely to repel her.

MORE THAN UNIQUE.

A Railroad Party Passes Through a Lake Full of Black Snakes.

On his recent homeward trip from San Francisco, C. P. Huntington and party had a unique experience, says the liar of the Buffalo Courier.

For about twenty miles before reaching the last named city the train passed over a soft, yielding track through what appeared to be a lake.

Rarely Called For.

After a young woman in Philadelphia had made a purchase and had gone the druggist remarked: "That's the first time in five years I've had a call for dragon's blood. What is it? Well, it's a vegetable substance, obtained from the fruits of several small palms in the East Indies.

AN INGENIOUS CIPHER.

How the Friends of a French Thief Got Themselves Into Jail.

Some years ago the friends of a Parisian thief adopted a decidedly unique method of carrying on a clandestine correspondence with him while he was awaiting trial.

A day or two later a similar inclosure was handed in at the prison gate and shared the fate of the predecessor. In the course of a week another was left by the same person.

After changing them about several times he discovered that each hair pointed to a different letter, and the combination thus produced formed a slang sentence.

Taking the cue the governor adopted every precaution to frustrate the well-laid plans of the outsiders; the attempt was made and, as a natural consequence, the conspirators soon found themselves in the same condition as the one for whom they had planned the rescue.

Wedding Gifts.

The wedding gifts of to-day are marvels of the jeweler's art. And how wonderful are their uses! Think of a diamond-studded toothbrush!

Candidly, we did not know what she would think. We are inclined to believe that she would shake her head in deprecation of such magnificence, and cling all the more closely to the little silver sugar bowl that she received when love was young and take comfort in counting over the battered, homely dozen of spoons that filled her soul with delight in the days gone by.—Continued.

Keep Away From Australia.

"The streets of Melbourne and Sydney," says a gentleman from Australia, "swarm with the unemployed. They are not vicious or lazy—on the contrary, are many of them, intelligent to a degree.

Our Small Coins.

Half dimes were first coined in October, 1792, and continued at intervals until 1806, then discontinued until 1828. The issue ceased in 1873. The 3-cent silver coins, first issued in 1851, ceased in 1873.

Hard Drinkers.

Mrs. Stanley is amazed at the quantities of ice water Americans drink. But then they drink last year over 20,000,000 barrels of lager beer, also, not to mention numerous other things.

A Discontented Spirit.

Wife: "Do you remember ten years ago you promised me when you had made \$500,000 you would retire from business. Now that you have it [sobbing], why do you go on?" Husband: "That's just like you. You are never satisfied."

Practical Economy.

Clerk—This is only a two-line note. Shall I use a whole sheet of paper? Merchant—Whom are you writing to? "To Mr. Hardhart." "One of our heaviest creditors. Use a half sheet. We must show him that we practice economy."

THE ARIZONA KICKER'S RIVAL.

A Utah Editor Tells How He Came to Fracture the Statute.

The Arizona Kicker man has a formidable rival in the editor of the Nepheli Ensign, a paper published about sixty miles south of Salt Lake. He had a battle with his postmaster of the town a few days ago, which he describes as follows:

While passing W. H. Gage's saloon yesterday afternoon we stepped inside on a matter of business and were accosted by our unesteemed, half-drunk Postmaster, John Witbeck, with the request that we have a drink with him. Being particular about our company, we politely but firmly declined, only to be urged again and again in a brutal manner, while we positively declined to accept.

"We went before Judge Stout and pleaded not guilty to a charge of fighting, but after hearing the evidence of a few witnesses his honor decided that we had fractured the statute, which would take a \$2.50 bill to repair.

"He did not offer any suggestions as to where we could get so much money, so we went out and 'dug up.'"

"The other fellow blundered up and deposited the necessary amount in postage stamps, which released him from custody, when he waddled back to the saloon to renew his alcoholic saturation. It will now be in order for him to attack our office boy."

Absinthe, Production and Effects.

The distillation of absinthe is carried on in the valley of the river of Aigues in eastern France. Its production and use in the form of liqueur are so rapidly increasing and with such unfortunate results in the French population, as to constitute the question one of national importance.

Baby Logic.

She was ironing her doll's new gown, Maid Marian, four years old, with her brows puckered down in a painstaking frown Under her tresses of gold.

The Whistling Boy.

If ever in the course of a human events heaven blesses me with an heir of the small-boy class, I shall teach him to whistle early in his young career and encourage him to warble merrily away throughout the sunshine and the shade of youth and age.

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