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A bill regulating the opening and the closing of the ice cream shops in London was recently introduced in the house of commons.

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An expert declares that cut flowers, even of the hothouse variety, may be kept over night with complete success if the stems are clipped a little and the flowers then put in a basin or pail of water deep enough to allow the blossoms to float on the top.

Chrysanthemum straw is the season's novelty in the millinery line and is aptly named. The colors are those of the natural blossomed toned pastel colors and the tresses require but little trimming.

Our common schools should teach the simple fact that a seven and one-half foot drive wheel, running at sixty miles per hour, makes a 119 feet per second; at forty miles, seventy-seven feet. It takes several seconds to cross a railway track.

Sore throats are dangerous and painful. Hamlin's Wizard Oil is the remedy and is prompt and certain. Your mother used it—you should.

The heights of appearance and disappearance of eight meteors were measured last August at two French observatories, the highest record being seventy-four miles and the lowest ten miles.

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Great catalogue, with large number of seed samples, mailed on receipt of 10 cts. Worth \$10.00 to get a start. Salzer's Magic Crushed Shells. Best on earth. \$1.25 per 100 lb. bag; \$3.75 for 500 lbs.; \$5.50 for 1,000 lbs.

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The pyramids of Egypt are not all the same size, nor are they made of stones of the same size. The great pyramid of Cheops, the largest, is now 755 feet square and 451 feet high; when complete it was 786 feet square and 481 feet high. It is estimated that when complete it contained 85,000,000 cubic feet of stone. The steps are about four feet high. M. Metchnikoff ascribes this to a bacillus that consumes the coloring substance; he names it the pigmetophagus. Low vitality from any cause favors its multiplication.

An English fact that has just reached America is that of wearing sandals. These come in several styles, and their use is said to meet with the approval of physicians and chiropodists.

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and he will mail you a booklet telling all about Boyd and Gregory counties and the 416,000 acres of choice homestead land which will soon be opened for free settlement by the government. This booklet contains official maps of all this land. The F. E. & M. V. Ry. is building an eighty mile extension into this country. It is a fine farming country. The readers attention is called to an article published elsewhere in this paper under the caption "Gregory County."

Some Frenchmen make turkeys drunk, then pluck out their breast feathers and put them on a nest full of chickens, or whatever other feathered things they may be raising, and when such a turkey sobers up he feels cold on his chest, and then, finding a panacea in brooding the warm things under him, he goes to brooding. They can make an old gobbler who isn't good for anything else fear out his life in this philanthropic manner—but there is no virtue in it, because he is doing it to keep warm.

An American Horse Trainer.

Morton B. Smith, an American horse-trainer, has been astonishing the natives in Paris by his wonderful methods of subduing wild, untamed and refractory horses. Twenty minutes is considered time enough to break in the most unruly animal for riding or driving.

The method employed is exceedingly simple, though none the less vigorous. The horse to be broken is lassoed, thrown and held down while being bridled. To a stout girth strapped around the horse's body are fastened several cannon balls weighing about six pounds each, a few sleigh-bells and other noise producers. Mr. Smith then takes tight hold of the end of a pair of long reins attached to the bridle, gives a signal to his assistants, who release the animal, and braces himself for the shock that follows.

Every wild plunge of the horse is followed by a dozen thumps from the swinging cannon balls on the ribs or the back. No animal handled by Mr. Smith has fought for more than five or ten minutes against this treatment. Tired out and subdued they have submitted quietly while being harnessed and driven around the arena.

Six hundred French officers of all ranks assembled a few days ago to watch Mr. Smith attempt to tame a number of vicious and refractory animals provided by the French military authorities. The American trainer began with a horse called *Idole*, belonging to Lieutenant Labruyere, of the Ecole du Guerre. This animal, a very fine horse, was useless to its owner, as it refused to be either saddled or harnessed. As soon as Mr. Smith had applied his methods to it it became like

a lamb, was saddled and bridled, harnessed to a carriage, driven through clouds of steam, made to face shrieking sirens, and allowed flags and open umbrellas to be flapped in its face. At the end of a quarter of an hour Mr. Smith flung the reins on its back and stood up in the carriage, while the horse stood quietly facing rushing clouds of steam.

The experiment with a pretty little half Arab mare belonging to Captain Penelon, aide-de-camp of General Brugere, was equally successful. She refused to face steam, trains, smoke, railway trains or tramways, and had twice nearly killed her rider by rearing right back on him. At the end of twenty minutes she faced every possible nerve-trying instrument in Mr. Smith's paraphernalia, and was finally harnessed for the first time in her life to a carriage and driven in double harness with the preceding horse, finally drawing up in a midst of a Vesuvius of blazing and cracking fireworks. Its owner declared the result to be something approaching the marvelous.

A pretty bedroom candle and holder is a convenience to the summer trunk, and it an attractive bon voyage gift. The holder is of silver, about three inches high, with a little receptacle for matches at its base, over which a tiny lid fastens. The candle is thick but very short, and fits tightly in the socket, a flat lid of silver closing over it when not in use. The whole outfit is both compact and handsome, takes a trifle of room in the hand satchel and is of the greatest possible convenience to the tourist in the country or in Europe.

Frozen and Taken for Dead.

Found frozen in a snowdrift and apparently dead after the storm, William Ferry, a farmer near Anthony, N. J., lay for ten hours on the cooling board of an undertaker's shop surrounded by coffins and the paraphernalia of death. But for the absence of the undertaker he might have been buried alive. Ferry is now at home with his family, sobered by his strange experience, which he attributes to overindulgence in hard cider.

Ferry was found lying in the snow, with only his head showing above the drift. The body was cold and Ferry's neighbor, who is also a farmer, could detect no action of the heart. Believing the man to be dead, he raised the supposed corpse into his sleigh and drove back to town, to the undertaking establishment of Burd & Pritts. Both members of the firm were absent, but a clerk received the body and placed it on the cooling board to await preparations for burial.

News of Ferry's death spread rapidly, and half a dozen of his neighbors gathered at the undertaker's shop to keep vigil over the body. They waited the hours until 4 o'clock Saturday morning in recalling the virtues of the deceased and in discussing the storm, which still raged without. At the hour mentioned they left for their respective homes.

When the coroner came at 8 o'clock, the clerk conducted him to the coffin room. The cooling board was there, just as it had been left, but the corpse was nowhere to be seen. The sheet that had been thrown over the body lay on the floor, torn to shreds. Coffins were strewn about the room in confusion.

"Body snatchers," whispered the clerk, and the coroner agreed that the circumstances pointed to the appearance of ghouls, who doubtless had stolen the corpse for one of the medical colleges in New York. This theory

was strengthened by the testimony of a woman who reported that she had seen a wagon stop in front of the undertaker's at 5 o'clock in the morning. The clerk set out for Ferry's home at half past 8 o'clock to break the news of the farmer's death and the disappearance of his body to his family. He entered by the kitchen door, and before him, seated at a table, he beheld Ferry, surrounded by dishes of sausage, buckwheat cakes and honey, relating the details of adventure.

Ferry said he went to sleep in the road after drinking some hard cider. He remembered nothing until he awoke in the undertaker's shop at 5 o'clock in the morning. He was still dazed, but the sight of the coffin sharpened his intellect and he dashed from the room without stopping to inquire how he came to be there. He seemed none the worse for his strange experience.

While in South Africa Maj. H. A. Cummins found that the air of Pretoria valley becomes very hot and dry, and the severe storms generated include whirlwinds carrying dust, paper, leaves, etc. From a gelatine plate exposed one second to the dust storm thousands of colonies of bacteria were developed. It is believed that fevers are spread in this way, and the possible distribution of tropical epidemics is appalling.

A staircase has just been invented which plays tunes as it is being walked up and down upon. A series of pins are pressed by the feet and play gongs and drums, while others are connected with collapsible chambers, which blow trumpets and similar instruments.

The power of perfecting the present is worth more than the power of prophesying the future.

Palmyistry and Science.

It appears that palmistry, stripped of the nonsense and occultism in which it has been befogged by itinerant quacks and fortune-tellers, has a scientific basis. Dr. William G. Benham, who has made a life study of the human hand from a purely scientific point of view, gives the results of his investigations in a volume just published by G. P. Putnam's Sons, called "The Laws of Scientific Hand Reading."

The volume is a sort of modern text book and guide to the real truths which the human hand contains. Dr. Benham declares that there is so much information in the hand it will be a surprise to many, and when it is seen how logical, rational and even commonplace hand-reading is, perhaps it will then be taken out of the occult class, to which it distinctly does not belong, and placed among the other rational means at the service of mankind whereby they may be enabled to gain a better knowledge of themselves.

"In the preparations of this book," he says, "my ambition has been to present this matter to the public that they would see it from a novel point of view, and by discussing the logical basis on which it rests, presented without a vestige of mysticism or occult halo, lift it from its position as an effete superstition and place it among the modern sciences. My ambition has been to make palmistry not an amusement nor a center around which cranks might congregate, but a study worthy of the best efforts of the best minds. When we can tell our sons and daughters what sphere in life

they are best fitted to occupy and what studies they can best master we shall have largely reduced the failures of young men and women. We can prevent the marriage of people whose temperaments make it absolutely impossible that they should live together harmoniously, then we shall have largely decreased the number of divorces and wrecked lives."

In regard to the world's centenarians it is said that more people live to be more than one hundred in warm climates than in the higher altitudes. Here are some figures recently published: The German empire, with 55,000,000 inhabitants, has 75 centenarians; France, with 40,000,000, has 213; England has only 145 and Scotland 46; Sweden has 19; Norway 23; Belgium 5; Denmark 2; Spain 40 and Switzerland none. Servia, with a population of 2,500,000 has 55 people over 100 years old. It is said that the oldest person living is Bruno Cotrim, of Rio Janeiro, aged 150.

To make soap for washing blankets shave five two pounds of good white soap, and put into a saucepan with two quarts of boiling water. Keep on the fire until the soap is dissolved, stirring occasionally. Add four ounces of borax, stir well, and the soap is ready for use. Never use brown soap when washing woolen goods.

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In the gulf of Mexico there is an island where the beaches change color twice daily with the tides. When uncovered the sands are purple, but when the tides flow they speedily transform them to gold.

Deafness Cannot Be Cured.

by local applications as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by Catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

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Miss Louise B. Pierson, daughter of Rev. Arthur T. Pierson, editor of the *Missionary Review of the World*, has gone to India for the Women's Union Missionary Society of New York.

Dear Sir—Three months ago my husband was injured and lost his position and we did not know what to do. When I was almost desperate I happened to hear of another woman similarly situated who had found a comfortable living, and a representative agent for Fred Facker, 22 St. Madison St., Chicago. I wrote to this gentleman and accepted the proposition he made me and am now supporting my entire family with the money I am making. I feel so grateful for his assistance that I want other women in like hardships to know about it. If they write him they will not regret it. Yours sincerely,
MRS. L. E. WILEY,
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