

### A Month in California.

Here is an estimate of the cost of a trip to, and a month's stay in California at the time of the Epworth League meeting in San Francisco, in July:

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| Round trip ticket.....                              | \$45  |
| Berth in tourist sleeper (both ways).....           | 10    |
| Meals en route.....                                 | 8     |
| Four weeks' board and lodging in San Francisco..... | 30    |
| Sundries—Excursions, street cars, laundry, etc..... | 15    |
|   | \$108 |

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### LOST AND FOUND.

I lost a maiden long ago;  
Last night I thought I'd found her,  
And as my loyal heart's one queen  
I quietly recognized her.

'Twould not be truth to say she seemed  
Untouched by time, since fairer  
Even than of old I found her face,  
The roses in it rarer.

Her halo had more golden glow,  
While locks once hyacinthine  
Upon my own poor pate, alas,  
For many a year have been thin!

The eyes—whose shafts the little god  
Employed to overcome me—  
Shone brighter. Smiles were on the lips  
Whose "No" did once benumb me.

My heart beat high with hope, but when  
I spoke her name another  
Who stood beside the maid replied,  
The maiden called her "Mother."

The matron smiled on me. I dared  
Not tell her that I'd sought her  
Through long and weary years, at last  
To find her—in her daughter!

—Boston Globe.

### FRIGHTENED HIS WIFE.

Forty Cents Almost the Cause of a Catastrophe.

Before Mrs. Browley was married she scoffed at the misguided girls and women who kept personal accounts. Her argument was that if you know how much money you had and it was all gone what was the use of piling on the anguish by having your folly and extravagance in black and white to stare you in the face, especially as you had no more money at the end of the month than you had without an account book?

But since she has been running a house she has achieved not one but nearly a dozen account books. There is one devoted to the grocery man, another to the butcher, personal accounts take a third, and so on till she spends nearly all her glad young life balancing sums. It is a matter of pride with her that they shall come out even, and so there was woe last month when 40 cents refused to be accounted for. She and Mr. Browley had a grave and lengthy discussion over the missing 40. Each accused the other of frivolling the sum away and neglecting to enter it on the proper book, "Sundries." Mr. Browley insisted strenuously he was not guilty. Mrs. Browley looked pained and urged him to confess. He left for down town vowing vengeance. It was late that afternoon when Mrs. Browley was entertaining a roomful of aristocratic callers that a telegraph boy appeared. The maid brought in the fatal yellow envelope, and at once the bride knew her husband had been fatally injured and was sending for her. Some one revived her with smelling salts, a lady in purple velvet fanned her with a hastily snatched lamp shade, and a third visitor with more presence of mind than the rest opened the telegram. The message read:

"Honest, now, what did you do with that 40 cents?"—Chicago News.

### The Breton Peasant.

If there is a country where the tradition of hatred of "the Englishman" as a hereditary enemy still holds it is in Catholic Brittany. In the eyes of the Breton peasants and fishermen the Englishman is the enemy with whom they have fought battles and will fight them again.

That is to say, the Englishman stands for the typical sailor of a man-of-war or torpedo boat, whom they will fight when the time comes for the attack, but no one thinks of him as a man. The enemy is a unit of war, something outside ordinary life, a being in uniform whom it is glorious to kill. He is "the enemy"—something which will do great mischief to France if one does not take care, something which must be much more terrible and dangerous than they can imagine, since all the men of France lose the best years of their youth in learning to kill this eventual adversary.

If ever the peasants come clearly to realize that the only use of war is to kill people like themselves; if ever each soldier becomes capable of imagining what the shock of two armies is and by what complicated series of lies and intrigues peoples are brought to the point of killing each other, the work of peace congresses will be wonderfully simplified.—Contemporary Review.

### Reading as a Cure.

The practice of reading aloud at regular intervals is of great benefit to any one affected with a chest complaint. In all cases of lung trouble it is important to indulge in those exercises by which the chest is in part filled or emptied of air, and reading aloud, singing and whistling are three of those exercises.

There are many who cannot sing, and we do not expect the fair sex to whistle, but reading aloud can be practiced by all. Care must be taken not to overdo it, of course, and the body should be in such a position as to allow the chest to have free play.

Reading aloud, if we pay attention to what we are doing, will not only be beneficial from the standpoint of health, but will also have the effect of making us better speakers by teaching us proper modulations of the voice and by increasing our knowledge.

This is where it has the advantage over whistling and singing.

### In Extenuation.

A little girl between 4 and 5 years of age came running in from sliding one day and exclaimed to her mother: "Oh, mamma, did you see me go down? I went like thunder."

To her mother's astonished question as to whom she had heard say that the little one replied, "Well, mamma, you know you said one day 'as quick as lightning,' and it always thunders after it lightens, doesn't it?"—Boston Christian Register.

When the rainy day saved for finally comes, a man finds that it is a deluge, whereas he only saved for a shower.—Acheson Globe.

### TRICKS IN THE SILK TRADE.

How Shoppers Are Fooled—Tests Which Show the Pure Material.

Pure silk, when it has been through all the processes necessary to bring out all its good qualities, is worth its weight in silver, said an expert the other day. Therefore the women who expect to buy pure silk at little more than the price of cotton must expect to be fooled, and there are lots of ways by which the manufacturer gets even with them.

They make stuff that is called silk and passes for it with credulous persons who don't know any better out of nearly any old thing now. One favorite imitation silk is made of cellulose treated with chemicals. It isn't a good material to get on fire in. Then there are south sea island cottons and some mercerized cotton which after treatment look something like silk, though of course they wear very differently, and their silken appearance soon vanishes.

But it is in adulterating goods which really have some silk in them that the greatest skill is exercised to deceive the buyer. To obtain the required rattle and body rough floss is often used for the wool of the material. This soon causes it to wear shiny.

Another trick is to increase the weight and apparent solidity of a flimsy silk material by using metallic salts in the dye vats. Pressing with some kinds of silk increases the weight also, but at the sacrifice of strength. Cheap, crackly, stiff silk which has heavy cords is good silk to avoid. It won't wear.

There are several tests which reveal readily the purity of a piece of silk. The microscope of course will show it at once, even to an unpracticed eye. Pure silk has the appearance of fine, smooth tubes. Another good test is by burning. Pure silk burns slowly, with a slight odor. Cotton flares up quickly and would throw off a decidedly disagreeable smell.

Then the tongue will readily reveal the presence of metallic salts. There is no mistaking their taste. But all these may be disregarded, said the expert, when silk is offered for the price of cotton. You need not bother to test that stuff.—New York Sun.

### LINCOLN ADOPTED IT.

His Famous Phrase, "Of the People," Originated by Theodore Parker.

William H. Herndon, Lincoln's law partner, knew Theodore Parker well and had much correspondence with him, and after the Lincoln-Douglas debate he came on to Boston and saw Parker and other antislavery men with an eye to Lincoln's political prospects. Going back to Springfield, he took with him some of Parker's newer sermons and addresses. "One of them," he says in his "Abraham Lincoln," "was a lecture on 'The Effect of Slavery on the American People,' which was delivered in the Music Hall, Boston, and which I gave to Lincoln, who read and returned it. He liked especially the following expression, which he marked with a pencil and which he in substance afterward used in his Gettysburg address: 'Democracy is direct self government, over all the people, by all the people, for all the people.'" The address referred to (Parker's last great antislavery address) was delivered July 4, 1858.

Here, I submit, was the probable origin of Lincoln's phrase. In one variant or another it was a great favorite with Parker, often taking the exact form that Lincoln gave it, with his sure intuition of the best where there was any choice of words. In a speech delivered by Parker in 1850 we find it imbedded in a passage which might have been the inspiration of Seward's famous "irrepressible conflict" or Lincoln's "house divided against itself," a view to which Parker continually returned. In two other speeches it stands "government of all the people, by all the people, for all the people." Its earliest appearance that I have discovered in his writings is in a letter to Rev. Samuel J. May in 1848, where it is simply "government of all, by all, for all."—Review of Reviews.

### Antiquity of Man.

From a review in Science of De Mortillet's great work on prehistoric times the following is condensed. Twelve chapters are devoted to the question of tertiary man. It is concluded that while man did not exist during this period, precursors of man more intelligent than any of the living anthropoids did exist.

Pithecanthropus erectus is considered as the immediate precursor of man. The Calaveras skull is rejected. The paleolithic period is considered as corresponding to the early quaternary, and 222,000 years is assigned as the length of this period. Add to this number 10,000 years for the protohistoric and neolithic periods and 6,000 years more for the historic period, and we have 238,000 years, which is, according to the authors, a moderate estimate of man's antiquity.

### A Polley Approved.

"No," said the policeman kindly, but firmly, "you cannot photograph that statue."

"Why not?" asked the tourist. "Because it is against the law." The tourist looked at the statue in question, a massive piece of contract work, and then answered:

"Well, I don't blame you. It's always decenter for people to keep their troubles to themselves instead of letting them be advertised all over the country."—Washington Star.

### What Puzzles Young America.

It is a puzzle to the modern youth how so many old duffers managed to get along in the world without the knowledge of things in general possessed by the modern youth.—Boston Transcript.

### WHY THE BOILER BURSTS.

Scientific Explanation of Some Phenomena of the Kitchen.

When you hear the kitchen boiler cracking, there is no cause for alarm. There is a prevailing impression that the cracking is produced by steam and that there is therefore an increased pressure on the boiler at such times. But this is an error. If the boiler is in good condition, with the water turned on as usual so that the boiler is kept filled, the only pressure that it is subjected to is the same as that in the water pipes, from which of course there never is the slightest danger. And this is true no matter how hot the water in the boiler may be.

The reason is very simple. As long as the boiler is kept full of water there is no room for steam. If you open the hot water cock, the water pours out, and steam rises from it, because it then has a chance to escape into the air. In other words, evaporation takes place. But as the hot water pours out water from the pipes rushes in to take its place, and thus the boiler is kept full.

The cracking noise referred to is heard when the water is unusually hot and is nothing but the expansion of the boiler under the influence of that heat. It is in no degree an indication of danger unless indeed the boiler is worn out or defective, which is a matter entirely outside of what we are now considering.

When a kitchen boiler explodes, it is generally because a fire has been kindled in the range while the boiler was empty. It happens sometimes when people come back to town after spending the summer away. The fire heats the boiler, of course, and when the water is turned on it is converted suddenly and violently into steam, and the boiler cannot stand the enormous pressure. Fortunately few persons are thoughtless enough or silly enough to build a fire before opening the cocks connecting the boiler with the water pipes.—Chicago Chronicle.

### HOTEL KLEPTOMANIACS.

Presumably Rich Guests Who Appropriately Other People's Property.

I was much struck with the habits of kleptomania common to some of the presumably rich visitors who engaged expensive suits of rooms and even paid their bills. After the departure of these guests the bed would be found minus the satin or silk coverlet, white towels and pillowslips were also very often removed.

On one occasion a gentleman engaged a double room for one night only, and the following morning the maid, knowing of his departure, made up the bed with fresh linen for the next occupant. However, the visitor had evidently returned to his room after breakfast, deliberately taken the slips off the pillows and packed them with his luggage, for on entering the room shortly after I found the bed made up, but no slips. I happened to know that the maid had certainly put fresh ones on when she made up the bed. What that gentleman could want with these two pillowslips is difficult to understand.

Of course candles, matches and soap (supplied gratis) are commonly removed, and even the sheets on the beds are not spared. Once a large double sheet was cut into pieces, the visitor evidently requiring sufficient linen for a petticoat or lining to a skirt, judging from the shape of the pieces left. The hotel sheet was no doubt the nearest thing available, so it was taken to save time and trouble, and the pieces left were found carefully rolled up and thrown into a cupboard outside the room which was only used by the maids and strictly private. Needless to say, before the remains of the sheet were found the visitors had departed, leaving no address.—Chambers' Journal.

### The Colors of Eels.

The eel is very unpopular with many people; but, like many unpopular things, he improves with acquaintance. In form he is long, slender and graceful, in color dark green above and yellowish white below. Many believe that there are two distinct varieties, the salt and the fresh water eel, but I am inclined to think that, like all other fishes, the eel partakes much of the nature of his surroundings. A long summer vacation in a pond or brook renders him darker in color, and daily feasting on landlocked delicacies renders him more corpulent.

Just so codfish take on the color of their habitat, gray when on muddy bottom, bright red when living among kelps and gay colored marine plants. I believe, too, that the eel often forgets to return to salt water, but never breeds elsewhere, for I have never seen baby eels in brooks or ponds. I have known them to be taken every month in the year in the same localities. Some say that half the eels spend the winter in fresh water, coming down in the spring, and that the other half go up for the summer.

### Not Given to Squandering.

Justice—You say that you doubt the statement of the previous witness that the defendant squandered his inheritance. Please give the reason for your doubt.

Witness—I tried three or four times to get him to visit a church fair, but it was useless. He always smiled and informed me that he was not born yesterday.—Boston Transcript.

The Chinese are not entirely clothed in cotton. The ordinary annual crop of silk in China is estimated at about 21,000,000 pounds, of which over 60 per cent is consumed in the country where it is produced.

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