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Before the Flood.
Smiles—Isn't it strange that those old-timers didn't have any clothes they could call their own?

Giles—Why, what do you mean?
Smiles—Well, you know, the Bible says that "they rent their garments."

It Is Not Cold in the South.
The weather this season in the south has been all that could be desired, and all who have already reached the resorts of Florida and the Gulf coast are charmed with their locations. The Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company's arrangements for through service of sleeping cars and coaches from northern cities are unsurpassed this winter. Tourist tickets, good to return until May 31, are on sale by this line from all points, at low rates. For full particulars, write to C. P. Atmore, general passenger agent, Louisville, Ky., or Geo. B. Horner, D. P. A., St. Louis, Mo.

The swiftest bird is the kestrel or English sparrow hawk. It has been known to achieve a speed of 150 miles an hour.

How's This!
We offer One Hundred Dollars reward for any case of catarrh that cannot be cured by taking Hall's Catarrh Cure.

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And is the only cure for Chills, Frost Bites, Damp, Sweating Feet, Corns and Bunions. Ask for Allen's Foot-Ease, a powder to be shaken into the shoes. At all druggists and shoe stores, 25c. Sample sent FREE. Address Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

The largest known flower is said to be the Rafflesia, of Sumatra. It has a diameter of nine feet.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.
Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All Druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c.

Indolence is to the mind like moss to a tree; it bindeth it up so as to stop its growth.

Piso's Cure for Consumption is the only cough medicine used in my house.—D. C. Albright, Millburg, Pa., Dec. 11, '95.

The best way to humble a proud man is not to take any notice of him.

Lifeboat Idea Ridiculed at First.
One of the attractions in the village church at Hythe, England, is a stained glass window, in memory of Lionel Lukin, inventor of the lifeboat. Lukin's body lies in the parish churchyard and a curious inscription records his connection with the invention. He took out a patent in 1785, but the conservative lords of the admiralty saw nothing good in it, and it was not recognized by the government for some time thereafter.

Instrumental Play.
The horn—I'm going out on a toot to-night.
The drum—Well, you can't beat me. I'll bet I have the biggest head in the morning.
The violin—I heard you had an awful head on you this morning.
The drum—Don't you believe it; some one's been stringing you again.
The bones—Shut up, there, will you? You get me rattled.

CHRONIC RHEUMATISM.
From the Industrial News, Jackson, Mich.
The subject of this sketch is fifty-six years of age, and actively engaged in farming. When seventeen years old he hurt his shoulder, and a few years after commenced to have rheumatic pains in it. On taking a slight cold or the least strain, the trouble would start and he would suffer the most excruciating pains.
He suffered for over thirty years, and the last decade has suffered so much that he was unable to do any work. To this, frequent dizzy spells were added, making him almost a helpless invalid.



In all Sorts of Weather.
He tried the best physicians and used several specific rheumatism cures without being benefited. About one year and six months ago he read in this paper of a case somewhat similar to his which was cured by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and concluded to try this remedy.
After taking the first box he felt somewhat better, and after using three boxes the pains entirely disappeared, the dizziness left him, and he has now for over a year been entirely free from all his former trouble and enjoys better health than he has had since his boyhood.

He is loud in his praises of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, and will gladly corroborate the above statements. His postoffice address is Lorenzo Neeley, Horton, Jackson County, Michigan.

Retort Courteous.
"I have no fears as to my daughter's ultimate success," said the ex-prima donna, "for she has inherited my voice."
"Indeed?" replied the visitor. "I've often wondered what became of it."

STILL THERE IS MONEY IN IT.
Carl Vollen sold \$350 of Salzer's Cabbage. Labor, seed, rent and all did not cost him \$50, profit \$300. You can beat that and make lots of money on Early Radishes, Peas, Lettuce, Mushrooms, Onions, Sweet Corn, Tomatoes, Potatoes, etc. Salzer warrants his seeds the earliest in the world. Potatoes only \$1.50 per barrel. Millions of Raspberries, Cherries, Apples and small fruits. Catalogue tells all about them.

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Travel on Belts.
Endless leather belts, acting as moving staircases, convey the patrons of a large Parisian store from one floor to another.

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For only four dollars, a genuine guaranteed watch, with your order for forty boxes, 120 cakes, Red Clover Soap. Retail price 25 cents a box. Any man or boy can sell this in one day. Send 10 cents for sample cake by mail. F. P. DEAN, Sioux City, Iowa.

Delayed by a balky horse on a visit to Cornell, ex-Gov. Flower visited the library and finding more books needed, left a check for \$5,000 to furnish a special library for the veterinary college.



Among the many curious inventions in which electricity plays the principal role is mentioned a pen, provided near the point with a minute incandescent lamp, intended to illuminate a small space on the paper, and prevented from shining into the eyes of the writer by a little reflector placed just above it.

In a concert hall of Paris, electric energy has been put to the novel use of moving the ceiling. This is in two parts, which are drawn back on traveling cranes, opening the hall to the glass roof by day. The opening or closing of the ceiling is effected in one minute by two electric motors.

A wealthy lady who possesses a pet Maltese cat found recently that the cat's eyesight began to fail, so she took him to an oculist. By means of a picture of a mouse the oculist quickly learned what was the matter, and was able to fit the cat with glasses. The lenses were set in gold frames especially made, and now the cat's eyesight is as good as ever.

Dr. G. K. Gilbert, of the Geological Survey, says that a comparison of gage records for a period of twenty years shows that the land surrounding the Great Lakes is being gradually tilted from northeast to southwest at such a rate that, of two points 100 miles apart, the northern rises five inches with reference to the southern in 100 years. At Chicago the lake level rises about one inch in ten years. Dr. Gilbert predicts that, if this movement continues, in about 3,000 years all the upper lakes will discharge into the Illinois River, the Detroit and St. Clair Rivers will flow backward, carrying the water of Lake Erie into Lake Huron, and the Niagara River will run dry.

A new fireproof paper, made in Berlin, is reported to be capable of resisting even the direct influence of flame, while it may be placed in a white heat without harm. It consists of 95 parts of the best asbestos fibre, which is washed in a solution of permanganate of calcium, and then treated with sulphuric acid and 5 parts of ground wood pulp, the entire mass being placed in the agitating box, with the addition of some lime water and borax. After thorough mixing, the material is pumped into a regulating box, and allowed to flow out of a gate into an endless wire cloth, where it enters the usual paper-making machinery.

The electric trolley has been a source of great injury to metallic pipes in its vicinity, causing their corrosion by electrolysis. Recently it has been found that the operation of the syphon recorder of the submarine telegraph cable at Cape Town, South Africa, was interfered with by the new trolley line. The shore end of the submarine cable for the length of a mile was at a mean distance of one-half a mile from the trolley line. As a remedy, a second or dummy cable, with an earth plate, was laid as nearly as possible over the old one, and this effectually cancelled the disturbances. Observations made in London have shown that the earth's magnetic field is disturbed over the whole neighborhood of the City and South London Electric Railroad, and in the United States the utility of the magnetic observatory in the new naval observatory is threatened by the trolley.

QUER STORIES

An American company is making estimates of the cost of a cable road from the City of Mexico to the sulphur deposits in the crater of Popocatepetl.

A doctor says that in society one may always tell the girls whose parents have risen from the humbler class to wealth by the superior quality of their hair.

Some people in the South are predicting that the current trend in cotton manufacture will flood the North with negro operatives and the South with Yankee white girls.

Several cases of bloomers were among the booty taken by tramps from a freight car at Chillicothe, Ohio. The police are puzzled to know what the marauders intend to do with the garments.

Bicycles are used for smuggling on the frontier of France and Belgium. The customs officers at Tourcoing took to pieces the machine ridden by a man they suspected and found that all the hollow tubing was stuffed with tobacco.

A quaint inscription has lately been noted upon a tombstone, without name and without date, in a cemetery. The dead man or woman, as the case may be, had ordered the following words should be placed over the grave: "Pass on, old reader! Waste not thy time in reading vain prose and still less useful words. My tomb tells thee what I am; what I was concerns thee not." "Vanitas vanitatum" was evidently in the thoughts of this philosophically resigned person.

With Things as Well as People.
He—But the worst of cycling is that it brings one in contact with all kinds of people.
She (thinking of her bruises)—It certainly does! Especially the first week or so.—Odds and Ends.

Knocked Out.
It knocks out all calculations of attending to business in the right way for a day when we wake up in the morning sore and stiff. The disappointment lies in going to bed all right and waking up all wrong. There is a short and sure way out of it. Go to bed after a good rub with St. Jacobs Oil and you wake up all right; soreness and stiffness all gone. So sure is this that men much exposed in changed weather keep a bottle of it on the mantel for use at night to make sure of going to work in good fix.

How She Managed It.
Ella—He seemed to question me with his eyes all the evening.
Hattie—Then I suppose you used your no's in answering him.
Ella—On the contrary, I waited until he found his voice, and then—Don't you think my engagement ring is lovely, dear?

1898 Calendars.
A very handsome calendar for 1898, made to represent a Government mail pouch, has been issued by the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern Ry. It is printed in a rich brown and gold on heavy enameled card, size 8x15 inches. The calendar will be sent free anywhere, on receipt of eight cents in postage to cover cost of mailing, by applying to A. J. Smith, G. P. & T. A., Cleveland, O.

Submarine Cables.
The laying of the Atlantic cables was not the uncertain experiment that is commonly supposed, for, years before any attempt was made to connect the old and new world with electric wires, submarine cables had been made a success. The first was laid in 1850 between Dover and Calais, a copper wire covered with gutta serena. It soon failed, and was replaced in 1851 by a cable of four wires, which proved entirely successful. In 1853 six cables were laid between England and Ireland; in 1854 five others, the longest about 100 miles. In 1855 a cable was laid from Varna to Constantinople, 160 miles, for service in the Crimean war. The "Atlantic Telegraph Company" was organized by Cyrus W. Field in 1856, and made two attempts to lay the Atlantic cable, one in 1857, the second in the following year. Both were failures, but the third attempt proved successful, and in August, 1858, telegraphic communication was established between the continents. The cable, however, worked for only a few weeks, and then failed; public confidence in the scheme was lost; the civil war came on, and not until 1865 could the capitalists of Europe and America be induced to take up the project anew. In that year a cable was partially laid by the Great Eastern, but snapped, and in the following year another cable was taken out and successfully laid between Europe and America. Mr. Field devoted over twelve years of incessant labor to his project, and in its interest crossed the Atlantic fifty-three times.

WHERE HARD TIMES ARE NOT KNOWN.
Described by a St. Paul Paper as the New Star of Liberty.

A correspondent, in a communication to this paper, says during the past few months so much has been said and written of Western Canada, and the new provinces forming it, he has been led to give the subject some inquiry, and he has been shown letters written to the Canadian Government from delegates sent out by friends to inspect the country.

One of these delegates who was sent to Western Canada says: "In undertaking to give a description I fear I shall not be able to give it justice, for I hardly know where to begin or when to end. For a plea for my judgment, I will assume, for an illustration, the experience of a man who went from place to place in search of a wife, and finding so many of good qualities and attractions, was unable to determine which to choose, so in looking for a home in Western Canada I like the country well, and two of my boys are going this fall (they have since gone, and each has a homestead), where I am satisfied they will do well. The lands which I have seen are far superior in every respect and beyond my expectations. Lakes and streams to be found in all districts abound with innumerable kinds of water fowl, while fish are very abundant. On all sides we see innumerable stacks of grain, proving beyond doubt the fertility of the soil. On either side of the track can be seen in addition to the grain herds of cattle, horses and flocks of sheep. I have traveled over a great portion of the Western States and I have seen nothing to compare with this country. One hundred and sixty acres of land are given free to actual settlers, and I saw cases where as high as \$20 per acre had been cleared in one year. I do not wish to advise anyone, but as for myself I shall leave as soon as I can arrange my affairs." The agents of the Canadian Government are now at work organizing excursion parties, and the Department of the Interior at Ottawa, Canada, will be pleased to supply the information to those who are not within reach of an agent.



Equal to Leap Year.
Miss Autumn—I'm going down to that auction sale on State street.
Miss Young—What do you want to buy?
Miss Autumn—Oh, I don't know that I will purchase anything; just going to satisfy my curiosity. I've heard of a nice-looking man gets up on a platform every day and says: "Won't some one make me an offer?"
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As a bone in the throat thakes away the appreciation of the most appetizing dish, so a thoughtless word marreth the sweetest compliments.

Hawaii and Japan.
Dispatches from Washington state that there are about to be important developments in the Japanese imbroglio with the Government of the Hawaiian Islands. However this may be, certain it is that the disturbance of the stomach caused by simple indigestion will develop into chronic dyspepsia unless checked at the start. The finest stomachic is Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, which promptly rectifies gastric trouble, and does away with irregularity of the bowels and liver.

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Mamma! If your little ones contract skin diseases—school, apply Glenn's Sulphur Soap. Hill's Hair and Whisker Lotion. Black or Brown Soap.

In the reproach of chance lies the true proof of a good bluffer.

Mrs. Winslow's **Washing Soda** for children's clothing, softens the fabric, removes inflammation, kills pain, cures, and cures. It costs a bottle.

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March 8, 1897: *Samuel Pitcher, Dr.*

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