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THE INDEX.

ARTS. NEW MEXICO

Another eye has been put out by a golf ball. To golf players: Mind your eye.

The sultan of Turkey has written a book, they say, on hypocrisy. Export testimony.

There are any number of young men who start out to get rich by buying lottery tickets.

A volcano has broken out in the Mexican state of Tabasco. A hot time is anticipated.

A lady of 40 has asked \$75,000 for damaged affections. What would she have demanded at 20?

The scent of the moth ball betrays the man who pretends his fall overcoat is just from the tailor.

Nearly every country town now has its carnival queen, and she is generally all right if her picture tells the truth.

The proposed United States of Europe might be the means of driving William Waldorf Astor into exile again.

Dr. Newell Dwight Hollis advocates devoting 30 minutes each day to laughter. We'll try it after we secure some hard coal.

A Kirkville, Mo., farmer owns a mule that is 34 years old. How did he happen to let the British remount agents get past?

The cable reports that the sultan has resolved to reduce his harem expenses. Suppose the inmates form a union and strike?

Over in Australia sheep are selling for a shilling a head. The Australians had better watch or the meat trust will be getting after them.

As betwixt a blushing bride chewing spruce gum and a blushing bridegroom chewing tobacco, give us the sweet boom of single blessedness.

Nearly all of the new plays are first tried in Washington. It is figured that whatever a department clerk will stand for is good for a long run elsewhere.

It appears that certain members of the South Omaha school board have been selling their votes for \$3 apiece. That's almost as slow as working for a living.

The king of Siam has a very small standing army, less than 12,000 men. When he wants to attract attention to something numerous he points to the royal harem.

Prof. Howarth of Chicago, says no woman should allow a man to call her "his." He has references to the custom existing before he entered his professional den.

The National Household Economics convention should take note of the fact that a Chicago woman has just vanquished a thief by using a feather duster as a weapon.

It is still pretty hard to get grouchy old men who don't like the boys their daughters have selected as future husbands to agree that arbitration is a good thing in all cases.

Complaint is entered against the rector of an Episcopal church in New York that he sleeps too much. That is trenching upon the privileges of the parishioners in the pews.

Austria is trying to legislate a settlement of the language question; but to a non-linguist it would seem that peace and the Polish tongue were pretty nearly incompatible.

The Castellanes are having more trouble over their debts. Ah, why will these tradesmen who belong to the cannal insist on vulgarly trying to get what is coming to them?

One of Hayti's revolutions has been taken aboard the United States cruiser Cincinnati and will be landed on some other island. This may be good for Hayti, but what about the other islands.

A herd of from 40 to 50 buffaloes is ranging in one of the most inaccessible regions of Colorado. We had missed some of the members of the order of late and didn't know where they were.

This is the royal month for diseases that the patent medicines can cure and the cereal foods prevent. It is also the season when the doctors can devote their energies to the collection of old accounts.

Mrs. Callaway of Ohio has discovered a new way to get a new stove. She soaked a brick in gasoline instead of oil, and applied the match. After that her husband couldn't question the necessity of partly refurnishing the kitchen.

Application has been made by 150 Essex bicyclists for permission to bring their wheels into the United States from Canada free of duty. Why not? Numerous individuals with wheels are admitted to this country annually without charge.

The editor of the London Tailor announces the important fact that "the trousers of to-day will be the trousers of the next fifty years." This will be good news to the economical.

In New Zealand, where all women over twenty-one can vote, the father of a big family of spinster daughters is a power in the land at election time.

The French expert who declares that Chicago is an art center need not expect to be invited to any baked bean banquet when he goes to Boston.

The Country Road.

From the busy fields of the farmer-folk it starts on its winding way, Goes over the hill, and across the brook, Where the minnows love to play; Then, past the mill with its water wheel, And the pond that shows the sky; And up to the bridge by the village store, And the church with its spire so high. You would never think that the country road, It runs up hill and down, From the hill to the store, could be So long to a boy with an errand to do And another boy to see. You can never dream how short it is From the farm to the frozen pond, Nor how very much further it always is To the school house just beyond. O, the country road! at the farther end It runs up hill and down, To the tolling, rushing town, But, best of all, when you're tired and sick, Of the noisy haunts of men, If you follow it back, it will lead you To the woods and fields again. —St. Nicholas.

A CASE OF RESEMBLANCE

BY TEMPLE BAILEY. (Copyright, 1908, by DAILY SPORT PUBLISHING COMPANY.)

As the Small Girl with the Ruffles faced the Captain in the early morning light, he was again haunted by a resemblance which had startled him the night before when he had met her on the hotel porch.

And all at once he had come upon the Small Girl. She was barefooted and stood where the waves, shallow and foam flecked, touched her toes. Her indistinct skirts were gathered up in a small bunch behind, and more red than ever in evidence.

But his reflections were broken in upon rudely, as the Small Girl rushed straight at him and clung to his white trousers with sand soiled hands.

"It was a bigger wave," she shivered. "And I am awfully afraid of the big ones." With a sudden rush of memory the Captain gathered her up in his arms. Somebody had clung to him once in just that frightened way, and somebody's curls had blown across his lips, and he had kissed them. He put the Small Girl down suddenly.

"Did you get wet?" he asked solicitously. "No," she whimpered, "but it came up to my knees and it looked so deep." He sat down on a piece of driftwood and took her on his knee.

"It's too early in the morning for little girls to be out alone." Over the child's face there ran a ripple of mischievous laughter. "Mother doesn't know," she purred, and clasped her small hands ecstatically. "I ran away."

At the flash of her blue eyes the hand of memory tugged once more at the Captain's heart. "She's asleep," went on the Small Girl, and pretty soon she will wake up and say, 'Margaret, Margaret, darling—'"

"The Captain stopped her. 'Is your name Margaret,' he asked excitedly. 'Yes,' said the Small Girl. 'Is your mother's name Margaret, too?' he went on.

"She nodded and then gasped as the Captain caught her in his arms and held her very close and kissed her. 'Margaret Burton?' So many questions for such a Small Girl to answer.

"Yes," the Small Girl was a little tired of so much emotion which she did not understand. "My father's name was Jack," she volunteered. "How old are you?" he asked, suddenly. "Six," was the proud answer. "I knew your mother once," he said quietly.

"When I was up in heaven?" asked the Small Girl piously. The Captain nodded, and the Small Girl settled herself to listen. "Tell me about it," she said. "Was she a little girl then?" "She was very young and she had curls like yours, and eyes like yours."

"Can't write to him and tell him she is sorry, for he didn't tell her where he was." "The idiot," breathed the Captain, whose face was white and set. The Small Girl slid down from his knee and faced him wrathfully. "You shan't call him names. He's my very own father."

Into the Captain eyes there came a look which the Small Girl did not understand. He caught the small hands in his and drew her to him. "Suppose we write mother a letter and ask her to come down."

"Here." The Captain took out a note book and tore a leaf from it. Then he wrote. "Yes," answered Mr. Clemens, puffing meditatively on his cigar, "I have a distinct recollection of it. When I was a youngster I attended school at a place where the use of the birch rod was not an unusual event. It was against the rules to mark the desks in any manner, the penalty being a fine of \$5 or public chastisement."

"Happening to violate the rule on one occasion, I was offered the alternative. I told my father, and, as he seemed to think it would be too bad for me to be publicly punished, he gave me the \$5. At that period of my existence \$5 was a large sum, while a whipping was of little consequence, and so—" (here Mr. Clemens reflectively knocked the ashes from his cigar) "well," he finally added, "that was how I earned my first \$5."

The Sweet, Long Days. The sweet, long days when the morning breaks Over the mountains in rose and gold, When the shadows linger on vale and lake, And the afternoon suns shed and wold, The sweet, long days when the pasture land Lies dotted with daisies beneath the sky, When the waves wash up on the pebbly strand, And the little ripples leap and ran.

The sweet, long days when the children play Merry and sweet as the day is long, Driving the cows, and tossing the hay, And singing many a snatch of song, When mother is busy from morn till eve, And father is earning the children's bread, In every task when a prayer they weave For blessings to rest on each little head, The sweet, long days when, though trouble may come, We bear the trouble in trustful cheer, A refuge and shelter from grief and fear, The sweet, long days which our Father Foretaste and pattern of days to be, The time when the measure by days Appealing to Colored Passenger.

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"Yes," replied the westerner unblushingly, "and the process of raising it is much the same." "Fawney! Won't you explain further?" "Well, you see, we just get an iron plant, put it in the ground, have the street sprinklers water it, and in a month or six weeks the sky-scraper is full grown."

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THE HEROISM OF MINERS.

Writer Pays Eloquent Tribute to Workers in Rocky Mountains.

In "Winter in the Rocky Mountains," Katherine Sumner pays a tribute to the miners of the mountains. From the article, which appears in the Era Magazine, we quote:

"The hardest and most courageous of the human race are the miners who inhabit the mountainous regions. They spend their lives doling for the gold which almost invariably passes from their rough, toll-strewn hands to enrich the already rich. They are und to danger. It is a part of their lives. A promising claim, half way up the mountain side, must not be abandoned because a quarter of a mile of thick timber near it has been hurled down into the canon, by an avalanche of the previous winter. They take the chance of snow slides as they do that of warning giant powder, and picking out missed shots. Daily they snow-shoe across the track of avalanches, taking the risk knowingly. Nothing but the event itself will stop them, and then—the end of all risks for them.

"It is not so much what the mountaineers are in their daily lives that make them remarkable. It is what they are capable of when a crisis arises. If a comrade is overcome by noxious vapors and falls in the slope or drift, or is impaled by a burning mine, or buried in a slide, it is amazing and pathetic to witness the self-sacrificing that is shown by the mountain miners. They rush to the assistance of unfortunates, laying down their own lives with absolute disregard. No risk is considered when there is the slightest chance of rescue for a comrade, or of even the recovery of a burned, or mangled, or frozen thing for a woman to mourn over."

MARK TWAIN'S FIRST EARNINGS.

Made After Deliberation Worthy of a Philosopher.

While traveling recently, Mark Twain was asked by a friend and fellow-passenger if he remembered the first money he had ever earned.

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Moccasin Snake Is One of the Most Vicious

"When it comes to downright viciousness among snakes," said a man from Arkansas, "I will put the water moccasin against every other kind of snake on earth. I was reading a story about the snakes of Martinique, and it seems that they are afflicted on the island with a rather bad brand of snakes, snakes that really go around looking for trouble. I could not help thinking that the Martinique reptile must be related in some way to the vicious water moccasin which is to be found in the St. Francis basin, up in Arkansas. They are savage, and what is worse and more of it, they seem to have organized for offensive and defensive purposes. There are millions upon millions of these snakes in the basin of the St. Francis river between the Sunk Lands and the mouth of the river, a few miles above Helena. I have seen the lakes alive with them. I have known of instances where it would be impossible for a farm hand to water his horses after his day's work on account of the snakes. The snakes fed in the edges of the lake during the evening, and as soon as an effort would be made to water the horse at a certain place they would make charge of that particular creek, wriggling in from the lake in great numbers. They seemed to re-

sist it as an encroachment upon their rights and no amount of 'shooting' or chunking would drive them away. They would simply chide the drinker. I have seen this same thing happen a number of times. Of course, it would be necessary to take the horse elsewhere for watering purposes. They are extremely poisonous, and I have heard of many instances where the moccasin bite killed animals. Dogs in that part of the country frequently die as the result of being bitten by a water moccasin. They are not bad about running away when they are in a flock. In fact, the running had better be on the other side if it happens to be either near the beginning of or the end of the snake season, for they really seem to be more vicious and more petulant, if I may say it, at the extremes of the season than at other times. I suppose there is some natural reason for the fact. At any rate, it is a fact. Coming back to the point I will put the particular brand of Arkansas water moccasin to which I have referred against anything in the reptilian line to be found in Martinique, or in any other place, for that matter, for I really believe they are the most desperately vicious snakes on the face of the earth."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

Strange Chance Proves the World Is Not So Vast

"I have a cousin in America. No doubt you have met him. He lives in Topeka, Kan."

Few are the voyagers to the other side who have not bumped against some such assertion and then fallen under suspicion of being themselves unknown, since the provincial mind of the foreigner cannot realize that the Western hemisphere is slightly larger than a parish in Kent.

And this, apropos of the fact that some years ago a certain New York man who happens to be a "mighty hunter before the Lord," journeyed to British Columbia in search of big game. While sojourning at Winnipeg he expressed a desire to bag some caribou and a friend who knew the country thoroughly advised him to go to Waubagun, a station on a branch of the Northern Pacific.

"There is nothing but a water tank there," said his friend, "and only one man in the whole section, a Scotch recluse, who looks after the tank; but he is a superb guide, and as he has only one train a day to watch out for he will give you all the sport you want."

Biblical Writings in Old Turkish Mosque

Some very interesting manuscripts have been discovered in the vault of the Jam-and-Kehar mosque, in Damascus. Relying on an ancient tradition, which said that important documents relating to the early Christians were stored there, certain Biblical scholars requested the sultan to let them search the vault, and after considering the matter for a year, and being assured by oriental scholars that there were no ancient documents in the vault relating to the Mahometan creed, he finally gave his consent.

As a result a thorough search was recently made and many valuable manuscripts were found. These were taken to Constantinople, and an examination showed that among them were several fragments of the Old and New Testament in the ancient Syriac tongue, as well as portions of a translation of the Old and New Testament which was spoken in Palestine in ancient times.

THE LOGIC OF THE SABBATH

One Day in the Seven Should Be Kept Free From Work.

As a psychologist, I believe in the Sabbath day. One day in seven should be kept holy from work and sacred to man's primitive paradise of leisure. I am no Puritan pietist or even Sabbatarian in any severe sense, but hold that this is one of the greatest of all human institutions, and that the command to keep it as a day of rest is written in our physiological constitutions. If need be, it may be kept in sleep, man's great restorer. Monday our nerves and brain must be refreshed, and we must start a new weekly rhythm on a higher plane than we closed the old one. The mental scenery must be changed. The brood of our overthought must have enlarged our plans and given us both momentum and direction. What form the rest cure should take differs perhaps for each person. I go to church, but my neighbor should perhaps spend the day in the fields with children, in music, in books, but for all there should be peace, tranquility, repose, surcease of worry and relaxation. In no land should the Sabbath be so halowed as in this land of haste, tension and Americanism.—G. Stanley Hall, in Atlantic.

AS GOOD AS SLEEP.

Why Insomnia Had No Terror for the Late Senator Vance.

During the last term of the late Senator "Zeb" Vance of North Carolina a man noted at the capital and throughout the South as a wit, he was met walking down Pennsylvania avenue about 2 o'clock one winter morning by Maj. E. B. Pope.

Seeing a senatorial poker party somewhere or else a late supper at Chamberlin's, Maj. Pope, with feline seriousness, said: "Good morning, Senator, isn't it a little early for you to be taking a stroll?"

"No, sah," drawled the Senator, with all his Southern dignity, "it is very usual for me to walk about Washington at this hour."

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The number of new settlers going into the Rocky Mountains valleys this fall is remarkable. If you want to get some of our choice lands, with gill-edged water rights, you will need to be about it.

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THE ST. PAUL CALENDAR FOR 1909

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If you don't get the biggest and best it's your own fault. Defiance Starch is for sale everywhere and there is positively nothing to equal it in quality or quantity.

"If you will only marry me, I promise you I'll make you a good husband. Never fear. If I decide to marry you I'll make you that."

There is more catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a life sentence, and the only remedy was by local treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally, and does from its direct action on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. It cures catarrh of the bladder, bronchitis, catarrh of the prostate gland and all other ailments of the urinary and genito-urinary tracts. Address: F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, Ohio. Sold by Druggists, or Hall's Family Pills are the best.

A Welsh rambler in the base fabric of a hideous dream. Bullhead 5-cent cigar. If you have smoked one you will find it good they are. If you have not, try one.

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"It ain't always what you think do too, honey, but hark," remarked Uncle Sam, "but ain't do face a little more do hit dat 70 eyarr unnerstan'."

Pink's Cure for Consumption is an infallible medicine for coughs and colds.—N. W. SAMUEL, Osgood Grove, N. J., Feb. 17, 1900.

"Does absence make the heart grow fonder?" "Yes, fonder of someone else."

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup. For children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, always cures colic, soothes the stomach.

It's a long, long time since "Fighting Bob" Evans has sworn at anything. Perhaps he is endeavoring to break a record.

The little folks love Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup. Pleasant to take, perfectly harmless. Positive cure for coughs, colds, bronchitis, asthma.

The man who wants to get up a new political dictionary will know where to go for words that are to be printed in italics.

It's because of their true merit that so many smokers prefer Baxter's Bullhead 5-cent cigar.

"What do you expect to be when you become an old man?" my little man asked the visitor. "Twenty-one, sir," was the bright one's reply.



Another club woman, Mrs. Hauke, of Edgerton, Wis., tells how she was cured of irregularities and uterine trouble, terrible pains and backache by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

"A while ago my health began to fail because of female troubles. The doctor did not help me. I remembered that my mother had used Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound on many occasions for irregularities and uterine troubles, and I felt sure that it could not harm me at any rate to give it a trial.

"I was certainly glad to find that within a week I felt much better, the terrible pains in my back and side were beginning to cease, and at the time of menstruation I did not have nearly as serious a time as heretofore, so I continued its use for two months, and at the end of that time I was like a new woman. I really have never felt better in my life, have not had a sick headache since, and weigh 30 pounds more than I ever did, so I unhesitatingly recommend 'Vegetable Compound.'—Mrs. MAE HAUKE, Edgerton, Wis., President Household Economics Club. —\$6000 profit if you order of whom letter printing guarantees return on purchase.

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Tigress and Lion in a Fierce Encounter

There occurred the other day in the arena of New York's most important wild animal show a fight between two jungle monarchs that was fiercely thrilling while it lasted, leaving in a terribly mangled condition both combatants, one of whom will probably die. Romeo, a massive lion, and Anna, a tigress, were the participants in the bloody strife which was brought on by Romeo yawning impudently in the lady tiger's face during a full in a rehearsal.

The trainer had led a number of animals into the arena and placed them on their stools. Then he left the circle for a moment during which time the mischief was wrought. Romeo got down from his seat and walked past the other animals over to the tiger's side. He stopped directly in front of Anna and languidly yawned. Quick as a flash she sprang at the lion's throat. Romeo tossed his head and avoided the teeth and while Anna was recovering her balance he leaped upon her, sank his teeth into her flank and bore her down. She got a grip on one of his legs while both of them struck blow after blow with their paws on each other's body. The other animals howled and roared, yet, strangely enough, none of them moved from his place, they seeming to be fearful of their own safety.

When the trainer returned the fight

Immense Sums Raised By Church Members

Those who believe, or affect to believe, that religion is declining throughout the countries of Christendom, will find no support for their pessimistic notions in the figures showing the amounts already collected for the "20th century" funds started by various denominations in this country and Europe, says Leslie's Weekly. These funds have already reached a total of \$40,000,000 and the promoters of these enterprises are confident that they will have the balance of \$10,000,000 more. Of the amount raised, more than one-half is credited to American churches, the Methodists being far in the lead in liberality. The Canadian Methodists started in to raise \$1,000,000 and have already secured that and \$250,000 besides. The Presbyterians of Canada set out for the same million-dollar goal and have already gone nearly a half million beyond it.

Influences of Good Example on Campers

As the conversation was not without moral value, and I am betraying no confidence, as it took place between two young men who sat in the seat in front of me in an express train last Friday, I will tell the part taken by one of them, who was evidently returning from a camping vacation. "I remember when I wrote in my copy book, 'Evil communications corrupt good manners,'" he said, "and we might have written, 'Good communications correct bad manners,' for the result of the combination depends on which communications exert the greatest influence under the existing conditions. "You see, seven of us started in at the camp, and as five of us were harum scarum fellows, whose manners are not much at the best, we all sort of lapsed into barbarism and methods of selfishness that ignored the usual rules of politeness. "Well, there came a most sudden

SIAM AND HER FUTURE.

Little Hope That the Native Race Can Control the Country. Says the author of "Siam in the Twentieth Century": "The Japanese are bright, quick-witted and persevering. The Siamese too are quick in their way, but they are apathetic and indolent to a degree. It is grit they are wanting in. To sum up the difference, the Siamese are a tropical people, while the Japanese are not, and here we are at the root of the matter." This judgment does not hold out much hope for the self-reformation of Siam, and that country has an additional advantage. She stands now between three great empires, two of which have already almost come to blow on her account, while China is daily pouring her surplus population across the border, and Mr. Campbell is of opinion that before many years the Chinese are likely to be the dominating people not only of Siam but of Indo-China. However that may be it is evident that France has made up her mind to be the ruling factor in Siam, or if not, that no other power shall occupy that position. The question is: Can we delay the absorption of Siam until she has so modernized her institutions and organized her resources that there will be no valid excuse for foreign interference with her internal affairs?

CLASSIC DANCING IS DOOMED.

Modern Tendencies in Terpsichorean Art in Europe and America. In England dancing as an amusement is more or less discredited by the men, but on the European continent and in the United States it continues to flourish. In England the dancing master is an individualist who struts his toe brief hour upon the stage. The butt of every jester, he dares not take himself too seriously. Combination rules both in Europe and America, where the associated Terpsichorean b. a. annual conferences and make laws for society ballrooms, and when New York invents a cake walk Munich hears it as barbarous. In fact, the continent condemns

THE TEST OF TIME.

Mrs. Clara J. Sherbourne, professional nurse, of 257 Cumberland street, Portland, Maine, says: "I heartily wish those who suffer from some disturbed action of the kidneys would try Doan's Kidney Pills. They would, like me, be more than surprised. My back annoyed me for years. Physicians who diagnosed my case said it arose from my kidneys. When the grip was epidemic I was worn out with constant nursing, and when I contracted it myself it left me in a very serious condition. I could not attract attention nor do the most trivial act without being in torture. The kidneys were too active or the secretions were too copious, and I knew what was wrong, but how to right it was a mystery. It seems odd for a professional nurse, who has had a great deal of experience with medicines, to read advertisements about Doan's Kidney Pills in the newspapers, and it may appear more singular for me to go to H. H. Hay & Son's drug store for a remedy than to my own physician, and anybody told me before that it was possible to get relief as quickly as I did I would have been loth to believe it. You can send anyone who wishes more minute particulars about my case to me, and I will be only too glad to tell them personally. As long as I live I will be a firm advocate of Doan's Kidney Pills."

Cure Confirmed—5 Years Later. "Lapse of time has strengthened my good opinion of Doan's Kidney Pills, first expressed in the spring of 1906. I said then that had anybody told me that it was possible to get relief as quickly as I did I would have been loth to believe it. Years have passed and my continued freedom from kidney complaint has strengthened my opinion of Doan's Kidney Pills and given me a much higher appreciation of their merits."

A FINE TRIAL of this great kidney medicine which cured Mrs. Sherbourne will be mailed on application to any part of the United States. Address: Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. For sale by all druggists. Price 50 cents per box.

A Fascinating Tale. Father Pablo Martino, parish priest of Yucatan, Mexico, reports that a party of Americans, headed by an archaeological expert, who gave the name of Heverick, went into the mountains accompanied by three Mexican guides and, by means of a chart which he claimed to have copied from an Aztec stone tablet in the national museum in the City of Mexico, located a vast cavern in a mountain near Yucatan. Immense stone images stood about this chamber. In one end was a handsome altar, above which burned a bright flame, supplied by natural gas from a crevice in the wall. In a chamber adjoining this main temple was found a great store of ornaments and utensils belonging to the Aztecs or some other prehistoric race. Twelve burros were required to transport the articles from the cave to San Blas, where they were shipped to San Francisco, accompanied by the Americans.

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He was very quiet during the first course, and every one thought he was there. As dessert was being served, however, the host told a story. When he had finished and the laughing had ceased the little son exclaimed, delightedly: "Now, papa, tell the other one."

Eleven Points in the Evidence. Fast trains that make time; smooth and level tracks; charming scenery; luxurians through sleeping cars; excellent dining cars; barber shop and bath; stock reports and daily and weekly papers; ladies' maids and stenographers; buffets and libraries; courteous and attentive employes, and centrally located stations, are a few of the reasons for the marvelous passenger traffic of the New York Central Lines.

His feet were so big that the cows laughed to see them, thinking of how their hides would not have to be cut to make his boots. Don't you know that Defiance Starch besides being absolutely superior to any other, is put up 16 ounces in packages and also in 12-ounce packages of other kinds?

"How did you enjoy your visit to the Bermuda. Uncle Jed?" "It was a good one, disappointed. The onions didn't come up to my expectations. Why, come, I've eat better Bermuda onions right here in Denver."

You can do your dyeing in half an hour with FUTNAM PALELESS DYES. Farmer Alfalfa—What grounds have you for thinking my daughter loves you? "Si Hays—Eighty acres here and a hundred acres over in Jefferson county."

"I owe my whole life to Durlock Blood Balm. Several years ago I was ordered by a doctor to use it. I secured beyond cost. It has made me a perfectly well woman."—Mrs. Chas. Hottel, Berville, Mich.

Miss Rural—And were you never in the country during the season for husking beans. Mr. Snappy? "Mr. Snappy—No, ma'am! How do you husk a bean, anyway?"

Defiance Starch is put up 16 ounces in a package, 10 cents. One-third more starch for same money.

First English Lord—Did you propose to Miss Pockpucker? Second English Lord—No; to her father. I hate to have any business dealings with a woman.

To Cure a Cold in One Day. Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tab. six. All druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 50.

The duties of the providence are doubtless just as arduous as Mr. Roosevelt's, but he is credited to have worked so hard on the job as he has.

"Mama! Well, I should say so—Barnaby's husband is a saint. Smoke as many as you like, they suit Barnaby."

"That you're prejudiced against him because you don't understand him. He has some strength. He is always true to his principles. In this instance, I don't consider that any very high recommendation."

A household necessity, Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil. Heals lame joints, soothes all sore muscles, cures rheumatism, sprains, aches, and never fails.

"I understand young Willie has left the bank. Has he gone for good?" "Oh, the contrary. It's gone to Canada, I believe."

WEALTH OF WESTERN FARMS.

Beautiful Crops the Rule for Many Successive Years. The big wheat farms of the Dakotas are being broken up into smaller holdings, and the conditions there are becoming like those of states farther south, where the average size of a farm is 250 acres. Out of it all the farmer is growing independent. Five great crop years have just been ended on the plains.

Beginning with the crop of 1897, the wheat has been good every year. Not always has it been a record-breaker in every community, but generally it has returned a great harvest. The farmer estimates the cost of his crop at \$7.50 an acre; if he gets thirty bushels an acre and sells it for 50 cents he has a profit of \$7.50 an acre. On 100 acres it is \$750; on 1,000 acres, \$7,500—and there are many hundred farmers with the latter acreage.

What have they done? A Minor came to York county, Nebraska, ten years ago with just enough to buy eighty acres of land. He lived in a sod house, and lost everything in the hard times of the early nineties. Now he owns 720 acres of land, lives in a ten room house and has a bank account. A man named Harnady rented a farm in Seward county, that state, seven years ago; now he owns the farm and has \$3,000 in bank. J. S. Hollinger came to central Kansas poor; he raised wheat chiefly; he died a few months ago worth with the accumulation of his family of over \$100,000. The Miller brothers rented land of the Ponca Indians, in Oklahoma, five years ago, and put in wheat and raised stock. They are making \$25,000 annually clear profit. Hundreds of instances might be mentioned of farms that have been paid out of the crops of one or two years.—Leslie's Weekly.

A Flowerly Brief. A brief for the state in an early Nebraska case judges in the following prairie flowers of fancy: "Plaintiff in error are afraid that the honor and dignity of the state will suffer, and they invoke for the claimants broad principles of natural equity, and the claim that neither the laws governing courts nor the constitution apply to them. The logical sequence is this—that persons who hold claims against the state are a favored class, who can also make wings of 'justice and right' to fly to that mystic region above and beyond the trammels of law, and where such unjust things as contracts and written constitutions do not exist; but where for them a straight and narrow pathway leads to the treasury, whose doors, without stint or delay, turn soft on golden hinges to admit them. Yet if I do not very much mistake this court, 'these wings' will feather in their flight, and claimants against the state must fall to a common level with all other litigants, and stand up to the rack where is fed that good old fender of 'justice and right' as administered by our courts."

Woman. The earth had been made, and man had been made. But somehow it lacked in the bloom. Till the God of the good to whom angels have prayed. Turned it into a garden with woman.

He builded her fair like a lily of white. And with love did he perfume her hair. And if through her did come the first shade of night. Ever since by her light we've been seeing.

For you know that a new wick gives no light at all. Till it's blackened and trimmed with the shears. So perhaps that is why she has bright eyes that have been dimmed. Through all of its varying years!

And I think it is sweet at the close of his day. When we part hands with all that is human. To be led to the light at the end of the way. As it ever has been—by the woman. —Leigh Mitchell Hodges, in Atlantic City Sentinel.

A Bath for Your Telephone. To distinct your telephone transmitter, that the Chicago Tribune, get a bottle of alcohol and a sponge. Wash the transmitter and receiver daily. This is the advice of the Health department to telephone subscribers who want to guard against the possibility of contagion through the use of the instrument.

Daily baths are necessary if the recipe is to be worth anything. The first act after reaching your office and opening your desk should be to wash the transmitter. Then you may open your mail. There is a possibility of contagion, it is asserted. Aside from this, the daily wash is a sensible sanitary precaution which can be taken with little or no trouble and expense.

Russell Sage's Saving. A solicitor for a Wall street paper had been trying for a long time to secure the signature of Russell Sage to an advertising contract at a cost of \$100 per year, but to no purpose. To show how diligently he had been working, hoping thereby to induce Mr. Sage to sign the contract, he said: "I think, Mr. Sage, you ought to favor me with this order, for I have been after you for three years."

The old financier leaned back in his chair, thought a moment, and then asked: "How long have you been trying to get this contract, did you say?" "Three years," hopefully replied the agent.

"Then, you see," continued Mr. Sage, "I have saved just \$500."

Swords into Plowshares. Many of the block houses built in South Africa by Kitchener's troops are now being used by the poor farmers as residences pending the rehabilitation of their farms.

A Philanthropic Heiress. Miss Mary Morton, youngest daughter of Levi P. Morton, devotes most of her time and income to caring for the unfortunate children of New York city.

Lord Emsley feels that Mr. Safford's shoes would produce a rather nobly effect on the feet of his lady-sail.

WHI Use Improved Coal Chute.

Arrangements are being made by the Union Pacific to spend hundreds of thousands of dollars in improvements in coaling stations all over its system, and the adoption of a new coal chute whereby one man can do the work that formerly needed the services of a dozen. A trial of the new chute has been made in Lexington, Nebraska, and has proved its worth. W. E. Wilmer of the coal department has just returned from a tour of inspection in Nebraska and southern Colorado, and reports favorably on the working of the new chute. It is understood that in all thirty coaling stations in the Union Pacific system will be equipped with the new chute within a year, and that 1,500 new coal dump cars of seventy-five ton capacity will be ordered built. The first one installed in Colorado will be built at Julesburg.

A Useful Insect. Insects imported into Hawaii from Mexico for the purpose of having them attack the wharfedo, which is a most destructive weed throughout the islands, are reported to be doing what was expected of them on the island of Maui. They have attacked some large tracts that are overrun with lanana and are killing the weeds. The lanana covers thousands of acres in Hawaii and is almost ineradicable, except at very heavy cost. Professor Koebele, the Hawaiian government entomologist, is now in Mexico collecting insects.

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Clair Brimhall writes us to change his INDEX from Cortez to Fruitland.

If you are in Durango the White-Hall people invite you to call and see them.

"The Missourians" miss the small boy with his fire crackers these Christmas times.

J. M. Randall has most anything in his store one wants and says he has had a good trade.

C. G. Brewer's store is showing a splendid stock of holiday goods and getting a good trade.

Mrs. J. F. Bell has a nice stock of new and stylish millinery and has had a good holiday trade.

Under the management of Messrs. Jarvis and Baker the Aztec livery stable is as good as the best.

Mrs. H. R. Spinner has been clerking for Col. Williams this week. Helping out the holiday rush.

P. C. Crowley, who is teaching school at Olio, is spending Christmas with home folks near Aztec.

Williams and Lair are displaying a nice line of Christmas goods and catch a good holiday trade.

Ted Waring has a nice stock of jewelry and these holiday times are just what he has been waiting for.

The White-Hall Shoe and Clothing company will give you the profits in up to date goods until Jan. 1.

Mrs. Dalton is displaying a nice stock of confections, nuts and fruits and is enjoying a good holiday trade.

Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Blake's month old baby died suddenly last Friday. THE INDEX extends sympathy.

W. C. Johnson has a store full of drugs, medicines, notions, toys, candy etc., and reports the trade all he can take care of.

A. U. Graves was in from Cedar Hill Tuesday attending to business at the court house and making Christmas purchases.

J. W. Halston, who lives on the Locke ranch at Cedar Hill was doing Christmas trading with our merchants Wednesday.

Our merchants have fine stocks of goods for the holiday trade and they have been selling piles of them the last few days.

George Rathjen's hardware stock is complete and he says people are buying very many of the usefuls for Christmas presents.

This has been a merry Christmas in Aztec. Santa Claus visited the little ones and many a bright face attested the joy felt.

Judge Granville Pendleton took the stage Monday for Durango and will visit Denver and probably Santa Fe returning early next week.

Edwin Block, teacher in the Hood district was in town Wednesday tapping the Treasury and buying nice things for his pupils.

The hotels of Aztec are equal to the best in the county. Clean, well kept rooms and good, nicely served meals make the traveler feel at home.

Mrs. J. A. Keith came down Tuesday from Pagosa Springs and will spend some time here with her husband who is feeding cattle on the Rindeman ranch.

Genial Harry Ware, salesman for the Moray Mercantile company of Denver, was in the county this week visiting our merchants and looking orders for groceries.

John Kinley came in from Pueblo Thursday and will spend holiday week with his family at Bloomfield. Mr. Kinley has a prosperous commission business at Pueblo.

A musical programme will be given at Opera hall in Aztec Dec. 30. A basket supper will take place at the close of the programme. It will be given for the benefit of the Aztec Cornet band All are invited.

Roy Crandall and wife, nee Miss Anos Shelhamer, came down from Bayfield, Colorado Tuesday and will spend the winter at Flora Vista. They say that Bayfield is too cold and snowy for San Juan county people.

Col. W. B. Williams has his big store filled to overflowing with goods useful and ornamental, and there are very few things you need or desire you can not find in his store and at prices so reasonable that all should buy at home.

Mrs. L. L. Thomas and daughter, Lucile, and Bert Woods of Farmington, were homeward bound passengers on the down stage Monday. Lucile and Bert are attending school at Durango and were going home to spend Christmas.

When we tell you Aztec has one store occupying a building 32x130 feet, blind from floor to ceiling with goods and no room to spare, then you can realize that Aztec is a trade center. This is just the kind of a store Col. W. B. Williams has at Aztec.

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The Denver and Rio Grande will make a special rate of one cent plus 2.00 for the round trip to Chicago, for the International Live Stock Exposition, Nov. 20 and Dec. 1st and 2nd, with a final limit leaving Chicago, Dec. 9. The International Live Stock show is the greatest in the world and this year it is projected that it will be greater and larger than ever before. Special attention is being paid to the range cattle exhibit and with the unusually large premiums being offered. There will be a strong competition from the West and more than usual interest in the event. See your ticket agent for complete accommodations early.

Notice.

There will be a meeting of the San Juan Cattle Growers Association at Aztec, New Mexico, on Jan. 8, 1903. Business of importance. All are requested to attend.

E. B. STEWART, PRICE WALTERS, Pres. Sec'y.

New Idea Woman's Magazine.

The Christmas number of the New Idea Woman's Magazine will offer many features that will prove of practical and timely value during the coming holiday season. The second installment of "The Journal of a London Woman," "Christmas presents for Men," "How to entertain a Christmas house party," "Inexpensive gifts for Christmas tree," and "Children's party for Christmas," will each add to the general interest of the book. The contents will be brilliantly illustrated, both in color plates and to black and white, and the regular utilitarian portions will far exceed the same presented by any other magazine of the price.

The Big Stock Show.

There is unusual interest this year in the International Live Stock Exposition which opens in Chicago Nov. 20th, continuing until Dec. 6. According to reports from Chicago, the entries already exceed all previous affairs of the kind and there is every indication that the show will be the greatest ever held in this country. Special attention is being given to the range cattle feature and western men are more than usually interested. The Denver and Rio Grande has made an open rate of one fare plus \$1.00 for the round trip from all points on the system. Tickets will be on sale Nov. 20 and Dec. 1st and 2nd; final limit leaving Chicago on return, Dec. 24th. A large number of stockmen have already announced their determination of visiting this big show.

Rev. H. R. Hicks 1903 Almanac.

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