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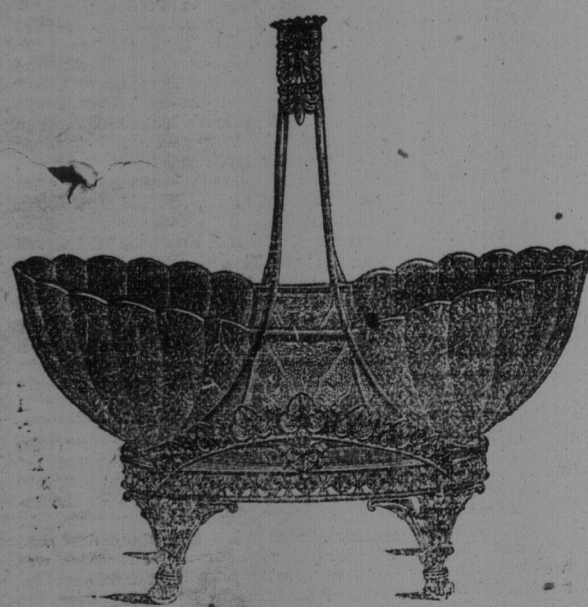
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ODD ITEMS FROM EVERYWHERE.

Good Things Picked Up in all Corners of the Earth.

The latest rumor with regard to Lord Randolph Churchill is that he is to be made Ambassador to Russia. It is also said that his present visit to Russia is for the purpose of arranging for a marriage between the eldest daughter of the Prince of Wales and the Grand Duke Michael. He is said to have taken letters from the Princess of Wales and from the Duchess of Edinburgh to the Czar with regard to such an alliance.

Terrific accounts of the severity of the winter in the south of France reach Paris. A report from Clermont-Ferrand says that the wolves entered the town and dug up a body in one of the churchyards and devoured it; and that the outraged inhabitants have organized a league to protect their dead. Some \$10,000 has been paid this year in premiums for the destruction of the beasts by the government.

The Spanish Government decided to celebrate the fourth centenary of the discovery of America by Columbus. This will not occur until 1892, but a sum of about \$100,000 is to be annually set apart for the next four years towards creating an official fund for the celebration; besides which, public subscriptions will be opened.

The library presented to the Pope by the English deputation was unique in its character. It is described as Catholic, but it is Catholic only in the sense that all the volumes in it were written by English Catholics. It includes works of every kind, from novels and poems to scientific and theological treatises. The Pope does not know English, and it is expected that His Holiness will present the volumes to an English college.

Moses Raphael, a commercial traveller of St. Paul's Road, London, must at some time in his life have had an experience wonderful even for commercial travellers. He was taken ill two weeks ago and removed to a London hospital. He died on Tuesday, and Dr. Doyle, who had charge of the case, performed an autopsy and found a penholder and nib about three inches long inside his head and attached to the right orbital plate. It must have been in the brain for a long time, as the bone had partly grown over it. The question which puzzles the doctors and which the East London Coroner has just vainly investigated is, how did it get there? The only way that it was possible for a pen and holder to get to the brain was by passing through an eye or up a nostril. The widow of the deceased traveller said that he had never complained of any accident, but that he occasionally had curious headaches. The Coroner's jury agreed that it was a most singular case, and gave it up.

Old silver cups, silver spoons, silver and silver pots are very fashionable now in Paris for table decorations, filled with flowers. At ball suppers little tables accommodating four, or at the most six, are now almost invariably used, each table being decorated in a different style. Menus are still preferred plain and are usually written in blue ink on white card. Sometimes one corner is tied down with a piece of silk ribbon, and the heather is passed through the loop. Only one glass is set with each cover, being changed with each course. Though Japanese bric-a-brac is no longer fashionable and has made way for Indian curios, many Japanese fruits and a new vegetable known as "Cresson du Japon" are still in vogue at dinner parties. At the soirees now in Paris it is usual to see all kinds of entertainments, comedies and even operas being given in some drawing-rooms. At others the new fashionable "ombres Chinoises" introduced by Caran d'Arche at the Chat Noir, are given. The days of conversation as a fine-art having passed away, it is necessary to invent another form of pastime.

Gossip has already compiled the names of other young royalties, including Princess Louise of Wales and Grand Duke Michael, the youngest brother of the Czar, Princess Victoria of Wales and the Duke of Sparta, heir to the throne of Greece, and the Prince of Wales's eldest son, who will be King of England some day; to Princess Alexandra, the eldest daughter of the King of Greece.

Joseph Chamberlain is said to be much taken with the charms of Miss Winslow of Boston, who is now rivaling Miss Adele Grant as the belle of Washington. Mr. Chamberlain does not believe in the "three mile limit" theory, so far as American beauties are concerned.

The most gorgeously dressed person at the Court of Spain is the nurse of the young King. She wears a rich velvet skirt, with two broad bands of gold round it, a blue velvet apron, also trimmed with lovely silver buttons, which opens on an inner bodice of fine lawn with rich lace. Round her neck are five or six rows of coral beads, and she wears long earrings of the same material. A rich silk handkerchief is fastened over her dark hair, which is arranged, Madonn-fashion, in front.

The man who bought a last year's almanac in preference to one for 1888, because he got it at half price, will be badly fooled when he goes to read it, the several Saturdays during the year, thinking the day is Sunday.

The Breton Mills, the greatest Serial ever written will be found on the Second Page.

The Earth Moves.

Any one can prove the rotary motion of the earth on its axis by a simple experiment, for making which an educational journal of Frankfurt, Germany, gives the following directions: "Take a good-sized bowl, fill it nearly full of water, and place it upon the floor of a room which is not exposed to shaking or jarring from the street. Sprinkle over the surface of the water a coating ofycopodium powder—a white substance which is sometimes used for purposes of the toilet, and which can be obtained at almost any apothecary's. Then, upon the surface of this coating of powder, make, with powdered charcoal, a straight black line, say an inch or two inches in length. Having made this little black mark with the charcoal powder on the surface of the contents of the bowl, lay down upon the floor, close to the bowl, a stick or some other straight object, so that it shall be exactly parallel with the mark. If the line happens to be parallel with a crack in the floor, or with any stationary object in the room, this will serve as well. Leave the bowl undisturbed for a few hours, and then observe the position of the black mark with reference to the object that it was parallel with. It will be found to have moved about, and to have moved from east to west—that is to say, in that direction opposite to that of the movement of the earth on its axis. The earth, in simply revolving, has carried the water and everything else in the bowl around with it, but the powder on the surface has been left behind a little. The line will always be found to have moved from east to west, which is perfectly good proof that everything else has moved the other way."

The World's Rulers.

A European paper figures that the Christian and monarchical world counts among its combined reigning families 408 princes. If the female contingent was taken into account, this figure would almost be doubled. The most flourishing dynasty is that of Holstein, which holds the thrones of Russia, Denmark, Greece and Oldenburg, and numbers fifty-three princes, including twenty-five grand dukes, two kings and an emperor. Next to it is the House of Stettin, uniting the royal crowns of Saxony, Great Britain, Portugal and Belgium, besides the ducal and grand ducal sceptres of Walmer, Altenburg, Coburg-Gotha and Meiningen. The Bourbons, with their forty-seven princes, have held Sicily, Parma and Spain. More numerous than the Hohenzollerns, the Hesses and the House of Saxe, are the imperial Hapsburg-Lorraine, with their thirty-three archdukes, and the old race of Wittelsbach, numbering twenty-three princes of or in Bavaria, a distinction to which great importance is attached. The once reigning families, mediatized since the Congress in Vienna in 1815 are represented by 726 princes, and these have retained but a small portion of their privileges. The Hapsburgs and the Wittelsbachs are closely allied, not merely because they both belong to the Teutonic race and flourish on the same German soil, but because for many years and generations they have constantly intermarried. The lovely Empress Elizabeth of Austria is the daughter of Duke Maximilian of Bavaria, and her daughter Gisela is the wife of Prince Leopold.

Publications.

From D. McArthur the GAZETTE receives Zadkiel's Almanac for 1888, of which it is announced that the annual sale exceeds 140,000 copies. Earthquakes are predicted in France and Italy, about January 21 to 28; Feb. 11; soon after March 9 and April 4, 11 and 19. Early in July London is promised some great fire, and early in August Italy, France, Turkey, Greece and Russia are to suffer from earthquakes. At the end of September, "Saturn afflicts a certain statesman born in 1831." The year, according to Zadkiel, is likely to be an uneventful one in Canada.

Everybody who reads Grip is familiar with the wise saws and pungent wit of Hugh Aclie, whose Epistles, fully illustrated by Bengough, are for sale at McArthur's bookstore. A series of sketches on Tenant Right in Tipperary, comes from the press of Wm. Love, Glasgow. The sketches overflow with Irish wit, but at the same time are not without their serious lessons. Sold at McArthur's bookstore.

Who Does the Work.

There is much food for thought in a recent statement by the Manufacturing Review, to the effect that the Knights of Labor at work in this country represent one person in forty, and now that a split has come in the organization as a result of the Minneapolis convention, this body, whose members too often advance the assertion that they represent "all labor," represent not over one in sixty or seventy of those who do work. One sixtieth of the labor in the land makes a large and respectable body, but it is just as well to remember that it is only a fraction, and a very small fraction, of the great army of labor which makes itself useful and keeps this country great.

See the Second Page for the opening chapters of The Breton Mills.

THE NEW COLLEGE COSTUME. My darling is a student in a famous female college. And though I do not think she'll win particular renown in any special study, or be noted for her knowledge, I'm certain that she's charming in her mortar. That the costume's fascinating there's no reason for doubting. I think my love most beautiful when in it she appears. I sometimes try to kiss her, and how funny is the feeling! When the edges of her mortar board are a-ticking my ears!

A youth, just launching out in trade. Up a wally merchant said: "Fare, tell me, sir, what you profess to call the secret of success?" The merchant's eyes with pleasure shone. "As he replied to correct trade: 'The simplest thing in trade, I think, 'You'll find it, sir, is to get rich.'"

See the second page of to-days Gazette for The Breton Mills, our new Serial.