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DISTRICT

CAMDEN TOWNSHIP.

Mr. James Tweedie is talking of changing his business. He thinks of moving to Detroit.

Some of our young men spent a few days last week in Pontiac, Mich. Last Sabbath was the Red School House anniversary. The building was packed to the doors. The service was conducted by Mr. Ward, of Chatham, who spoke very ably. Dawn Mills Chong sang at the evening service.

Will Irwin, of North Thamesville, was the guest of Charles Wilcox on Sunday last.

A. Wilcox was a guest of D. M. Healy last week.

F. Dodson spent a day at London Fair last week.

T. Lyman was the guest of P. Morgan last week.

Miss Miss Lillie Morgan was the guest of Miss Maggie Cryderman last Sunday.

The packers through our vicinity report a good crop of apples.

Some people in Camden have sown their wheat, with the expectation of rain.

Miss Sterling, of Thamesville, is visiting Miss Edith Wilcox, of the Base Line.

Will House seems always to be ahead. He has his corn all husked.

Tom Pumphrey is talking of going back to the farm.

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FREAKS OF THE LAVA.

Some Curious Incidents of an Over-Flow of Vesuvius.

At one house, which had been entirely surrounded by the flood, but not destroyed, one saw people, on top of the mass of lava, entering the upper windows with a ladder and bringing forth their household goods to transport them to a place of safety. One vineyard was surrounded on three sides by this dividing current, and it was possible to walk into it among the lines of trimmed vines and to perceive the fire still glowing in the towering walls of lava on each side. The people attributed this remarkable phenomenon to the miraculous intervention of their Madonna, "Our Lady of the Snows," with whose sacred image they had confronted the all devouring monster sweeping implacably down on their apparently doomed homes.

Step by step the priests and the faithful, singing the litany, retreated as the awful flood swept on, and still the sound of singing and prayer rose above the fearful roar of the torrent and the thunder of the mountain above, belching forth from the central crater fiery bombs and enormous swirls of cinder, sand and smoke, which rose to great heights. Yard by yard the lava swept onward. Now a palatial villa would be surrounded by the torrent, crushed down and disappear in smoke; now a weeping peasant would see his little cottage and vineyard, his all, go under in an instant.

One poor woman was thus watching the fate of her earthly belongings from a little eminence when a smaller crater came rearing forth at her very feet. She turned to flee, fell, rolled to the bottom of the little hill, and the next moment the lava flowed forth like the foam from a glass of beer and swept over the spot where she had been standing as if it were a trifle. William F. Andrews in Century.

Tennyson's Moods.

Bolesvain, Man, Sept. 19.—The B. S. & Hudson Bay Railway have now got track laid to Alcester, and yesterday the first passenger coach passed over the new road.

It was an eccentric reception that Sir Henry Roscoe was given when he visited Lord Tennyson. The former had been unwilling to intrude on the poet, but consented to accompany a friend, William Summers, who had a note of introduction from Sir Lewis Morris. They found Tennyson at lunch. Sir Henry writes of it: "Tennyson at once asked me to sit by him, while Mr. Summers was held in conversation at the other side of the room by Lady Tennyson. The old man began with the words, 'Your name has been before me at every meal,' at which I expressed great astonishment, not thinking that he had ever heard of me."

"And thereupon he produced a small vial containing saccharin, on the outside of which was an advertisement containing a few lines of some appreciative remarks respecting saccharin which I had made in a lecture at the Royal Institute. This notice I had never seen, and on my return home I wrote to the proprietors requesting them to stop issuing such notices, as I could not have my name used for advertising purposes, and this they did."

"In a few minutes, without further conversation, Tennyson rose and said: 'Well, I must bid you goodbye, for I must now lie down. I am going to smoke a cigar and go to sleep.' Upon which he walked out of the room, giving a distant nod to my disconsolate friend, Will Summers, who had come on purpose to interview the poet, but with whom he had not exchanged a single word."

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SECRETS OF FAMOUS TRICKS

Peeps into Occult At a Little Shop—De Kolts's Disappearing Birdcage and Heller's Second Sight.

There is a modest little shop on Sixth avenue, New York, with playing cards, goblets, boxes and other innocent looking objects in the window, in which is manufactured most of the magicians' apparatus used in North and South America and a good deal of that used in Europe and the Orient. Persons interested in the occult would be surprised to see on the books of the establishment the orders from India itself for apparatus to be used in conjuring tricks by native Indians.

The little shop is the headquarters of magic in America, says the New York Sun. The walls are covered with portraits of famous performers, the place is full of souvenirs of them and the proprietor can tell many stories of them and their art.

He has, for instance, the vanishing cage of Buattier de Kolts, which Mrs. de Kolts presented to him after the death of the conjurer. Sleight of hand men declare that De Kolts was the greatest prestidigitator that ever lived. He never used a trick invented by any other person, and he is said to have invented more tricks which have been copied by other performers than any other man.

This vanishing cage was a favorite. It was simply a bird cage, holding a live canary, which he held out in plain view of the audience. Then the whole thing disappeared.

That was all there was to it, but it was most mysterious. The cage was collapsible and disappeared up De Kolts's sleeve. The art consisted in making it disappear invisibly and without hurting the canary.

De Kolts made this cage with his own hands. Most prestidigitators have been expert mechanics. Many of them have originally been watchmakers or optical instrument manufacturers. The next most prolific sources of supply have been the professions of chemistry and medicine.

A souvenir of "Alexander the Great" Hermann shows the picture which that prince of the art took in his own hocus pocus. This was too small a trick to use on the stage, and he invented it merely to amuse his friends in his own home.

He made this with ebony, inlaid with mother of pearl, containing thirty-two small drawers, just the size of a playing card, all numbered. The observer was asked to choose one of thirty-two cards and to name the drawer in which he would have it appear. The card always appeared in the right drawer.

The conjurer's art lay in compelling the selection of the right card. The drawers had false bottoms and springs, and a card like that selected had been previously concealed in it of them, waiting for a deft pressure to bring it to light in the drawer selected.

Visitors to the proprietor of this little shop of magic sometimes sit down unawares upon a plain, old fashioned sofa which they are surprised to learn was once the throne of a high priestess of the occult, Miss Haide Heller, in her famous second sight act with Robert Heller. This trick awakened wide interest thirty years ago. It seemed most mysterious, and it was a trick.

Miss Heller sat upon the sofa blindfolded and with her back to the audience. Heller, in the audience, borrowed the handkerchief of some one in the front row. Heller described them sometimes. Not a word was spoken by Heller, nor could she see him to get her cue by his gestures.

The apparatus did it all. The sofa was wired for an electric battery, his chair connected with the battery, the electric push button under the seat. A code was arranged by which Miss Heller knew exactly what to say.

The performance was rendered more mysterious by Heller's talking to her in part of the tests. Some people supposed, of course, that he was giving her the cue with his questions. But when the same results were obtained in silence the audience was also mystified.

Apparatus is an elastic term when used in connection with legerdemain. Some pieces of apparatus can be concealed between two fingers. Others fill boxes ten feet long.

The earlier magicians used cumbersome apparatus. Erikell, a Finn born in 1818, who was knighted by the King of Denmark and received diamond rings and the like from most of the sovereigns of Europe, revolutionized the art. He used no apparatus save a small box, and he was able to perform for many years, but at the present time the tendency toward big, showy effects and gorgeous stage settings is bringing in the use of more complicated apparatus than ever. A first class magician now travels with a railroad car full of apparatus. Fifteen thousand dollars is not an unusual sum to pay for staging a first class magician's show nowadays.

It is a mechanical age. Present day prestidigitators in no way excel the old fellows in pure legerdemain, but a flood of mechanical inventions has come to help them, and all the conjurers have to do is to manipulate these skillfully and gracefully. Their task is no easier, however, for it is a sharper and more sceptical age than the earlier one, and one used to mechanism of all kinds.

The little shop carries a thousand different kinds of apparatus in stock. Then there are thousands of others which it is carried upon to make, some of them very old. Every day some book or leaf out of a book will arrive from Kalamazoo or Calcutta, with a letter stating that the writer wants to do the trick described, and wants the apparatus for it constructed. Some of these tricks were invented centuries ago and the great present day inventions in the art are illusions and levitation, both of which require elaborate devices. Harry Keller's levitation act, in which the body of a man rose slowly into midair and remained suspended there while the hypnotist fanned him, required a complicated machine behind the scenes to work it.

De Kolts's illusion, in which every object on the stage appeared and disappeared in a seemingly unaccountable manner, ending with the decapitation of a woman whose head thereupon danced uncannily through the air without any visible means of support, required an elaborately set stage. Everything was draped in black velvet, and the arrangement of light was such that nothing that was not light in color could be distinguished against this mass of black. A black bag thrust over the head of a woman in a white dress decapitated her, while a black bag pulled off the head of a woman, but they have not their fathers' faith. These are the days in which many want the beauty without the work of putting in the solid foundation.

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THE HERITAGE.

We saw her soft body weighed down With its splendor of raiment, and spoke "These things shall she wear as a crown, These wear, for her purity's sake!"

In crimson we robed her and white: Fine linen we bought her and gold: We sheltered her heart from the night: We muffled her breast from the cold.

For a softness and beauty denied The dust of our empler days: We crept to her then in our pride, And a mockery met our gaze.

For with all the white raiment she wore, With all the soft life she might live, She cried through her tears once more "Is this . . . this the most you can give?"

"Since I wait, being a woman once born, For the solace of anguish and fears: Demanding my birthright, to mourn, And my gift, of great sorrow, and tears!"

—Arthur Stringer.

BEAUTY AND STRENGTH.

Illuminating Discourse on the Propositions of True Character.

The necessity of both beauty and strength in life, and the imperfection of life when either of these qualities is lacking, were the central thoughts of an interesting and impressive sermon by Rev. Prof. Wilher, of San Francisco, at St. Andrew's Church, Toronto, on a recent Sunday. The thoughts of the sermon were suggested by the building of the pillars in the porch of Solomon's temple, as described in the seventh chapter of first Kings, part of the twenty-second verse, reading, "And upon the top of the pillars was lily work."

"In those pillars strength was topped by beauty, and the useful ended in the graceful," said the speaker. "Those were the heroic days of labor; the course of all our work to-day is that we have lost the idea of it. The highest conception of religion is the getting of it into lovely things, and work faithfully done is worship. In our day there is great desire for the lily work without the pillars: thousands of men would like to be the virtuous of their fathers, but they have not their fathers' faith. These are the days in which many want the beauty without the work of putting in the solid foundation."

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—what "Sterling" means to silverware
—what "Haviland" means to china
—what "Worth" means to ladies' costumes

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EAST DAWN.

The Misses Walden, sisters of the Methodist pastor, were guests of Mrs. Geo. Bloom for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bloom and Miss Stella visited London Fair last week.

Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Healy Mr. W. Irwin and Miss Edith Wilcox, Mr. and Mrs. H. McDonald and Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Healy on the 9th inst.

While threshing at Mr. McNabb's, Dawn last week, a spark from the engine set fire to the straw and his barn and contents were consumed.

A number from here attended the London Fair.

Mrs. W. H. Bradley visited her sister, Mrs. D. M. Healy, last Tuesday.

Miss Jennie Woods is attending the Model School, Sarnia.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Paul, Mr. and Mrs. Jarvis Paul, Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Healy, Mr. A. Groves, Mr. F. Childs and Mr. J. Lang were London visitors last week.

The W. M. S. held their September meeting at Mrs. Frank Emery's.

Six Refrigerator Rules.
Buy your ice in pieces as large as can be accommodated. This is much more economical than to buy small ones.

Be careful not to fill dishes too full, so that they will spill over. If anything is spilled don't fail to wipe it up immediately.

Do not put food of any sort directly on the ice. If it is absolutely necessary to place it near the ice see that it is in glass or porcelain.

Pack the ice well together and do not wrap it in paper or cloths. Instead keep the door of the ice chamber shut as much as possible.

Empty the refrigerator at least once a week. Scrub the interior thoroughly, then seal the ice chamber and drain pipe with boiling water in which a lump of soda has been dissolved. Follow this with clear boiling water. Wipe