

MISCELLANEOUS.

The light of the fire-fly, or "lightning-bug," is produced by a genuine animal phosphorescence.

Was it not Anthony Trollope who observed that even a bishop's commercial morals vary according as he is buying or selling a horse?

In India four leper asylums are now practically Christian, and during the past year 150 lepers became professed Christians and were baptized.

Mr. Henry Arthur Jones, the dramatist, says that when he first taught himself how to write plays, it was his custom to witness the same piece six nights a week in order to learn the technique. He keeps a stock of characters, plots, scenes, incidents and themes, all lying ready for use, and simmering in a dramatic stock-pot.

JAMES E. LESLIE, Richmond street, Toronto, writes:—"It affords me great pleasure to attest to the benefit I derived from your Guaranteed Acetic Acid in a case of Pleurisy. It was decidedly effectual; nothing more need be said. I have also recommended the Acid Cure system of treatment to many of my friends, and in no case has it failed. You are at liberty to give this certificate publication."

Man, it has been well said, begins a new series. He stands alone, erect, godlike, not so much in the pyramid of life, as on its summit. And, as every lofty summit of life is overhung by shining clouds, as if the souls of the hills had risen high above, so, to the vision of reasonable faith, there is another series of life—the spiritual, the glorified, of which man is the beginning.

The *Vancouver News-Advertiser* says that Mr. Edward Holmes who recently tramped across this Continent along the C. P. R. route will start on another long walk for San Francisco. After this Mr. Holmes will most likely visit the Hawaiian Islands. This gentleman has earned great fame as a walker. In 1885 he walked across Central Asia and in 1889 round Japan. He has been passing the winter at Warnock with a friend and during that time has done a good deal of climbing among the peaks of the coast range.

A writer in *Harper's Weekly* says: "Had Kossuth succeeded in making Hungary an independent nation as he conceived it, it would, in spite of the brightness, generosity and heroism of the Magyar race, have been a weak little State, torn by internal race conflicts, insignificant in the councils of nations, and constantly threatened by its neighbors. The independent Hungary he rejected is a substantially self-governing and most influential part of one of the great Powers of the world. But his stubborn consistency fitted the romance of his life."

"Imperialist" says, in *Colonies and India*, that "there is again some talk in certain colonial centres here of a proposal to blend the Royal Colonial with the Imperial Institute. This is a subject whereon I have already expressed very decided opinions. What the Royal Colonial Institute would gain by absorption into its younger rival I do not perceive, but the loss which it would sustain is very clear, and the Colonies would suffer severely. I have written 'rival' above, but, in truth, the two Institutes are distinct, and the elder stands alone beyond competition and altogether unique in its character and its influence."

Minard's Liniment Cures Dandruff.

LIFE ON A RAILWAY.

THE EXPERIENCE OF A GRAND TRUNK EMPLOYEE.

Fell Ill From Exposure—Pronounced Incurable and Paid the Total Disability Insurance Allowed by the Company—Once More on the Road to Health—He Tells How it Came About.

From the Deseronto Tribune.

During the past few weeks a fruitful subject of conversation among the people at Deseronto Junction has been the wonderful recovery of Mr. William Henry Wager, who has been looked upon as a hopeless invalid. A representative of this paper was sent to interview Mr. Wager and gain all information possible in order to satisfy the public concerning the truth of the wonderful cure. Making his way to Deseronto Junction the reporter informed Mr. Ravin, the station master, of the object of his mission. That courteous official having assured the reporter that he would find the case one of more than ordinary interest, kindly pointed out the nearest route to Mr. Wager's residence. The Wager family is one of the oldest in the Bay district, and Mr. Wager and his people are well known throughout a wide radius of country. Arrived at the house the reporter knocked at the door and was quickly admitted by Mr. Wager himself, who it may be remarked, is in his thirty-fifth year, and was formerly employed as a section man on the Grand Trunk Railway, his section extending east and west of Deseronto Junction. He was a good workman and faithful servant of the company. On the 28th of April, 1893, he was compelled, on account of ill-health, to give up work completely. The doctor pronounced his trouble to be nervous palpitation of the heart. The district surgeon of the Grand Trunk Railway attended him and did all that medical skill could suggest in order to give him relief, but at the same time frankly told him that he could prescribe nothing that would effect a permanent cure. Mr. Wager was a member of the Grand Trunk Insurance and Provident Society, and during his illness received the usual pecuniary allowance given for a certain number of weeks to sick members. The society also paid his way to Montreal that he might consult an eminent medical man who acts as referee in such cases. This specialist at once pronounced his case hopeless; cure was impossible. He returned home greatly dejected, and the Insurance Society paid him the whole amount granted to its members in cases of total disability. Mr. Wager has since that time resided at his home on the Gravel Road, unable to work, seldom going from home except to make an occasional trip to Deseronto and Napanee. About three months ago Mr. John Kitchen, the well known section master on the Grand Trunk, who resides at Deseronto Junction, told Mr. Wager of the virtues of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and recommended him to give them a trial. He accordingly procured a quantity of the famous pills in order to give them a trial. Now mark the result. He soon felt the good effects of this great medicine. His appetite improved. The fluttering sensations about his heart appeared to be less pronounced. He continued taking the pills and his health steadily improved. The change became apparent to friends and neighbors and a matter of public interest. He gained in weight. As he remarked, last summer he was little more than a walking ghost; now, as the reporter could easily see, he was a substantial specimen of humanity. Mr. Wager informed the reporter that before he commenced taking Dr. Williams' Pink Pills his heart used to beat rapidly and continue palpitating violently for some time if he attempted to cut even one stick of wood; now he can cut the daily supply of wood for the house without any such disagreeable sensations. He feels himself a different man and his neighbors are all congratulating him upon the great change so plainly manifest. He expects as soon as navigation opens to commence work again. Mrs. Wager was present during the interview and corroborated her husband's narrative. They con-

sider it a duty to publish abroad the virtues of this famous medicine which has brought such hope and comfort to their household. Mr. Wager also told of a leading farmer in the neighborhood who had been troubled with a chronic headache, who, at his suggestion, had also tried Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and had experienced relief in a very short time. Other cases in Deseronto and vicinity are known to the Tribune in which Dr. Williams' Pink Pills have been productive of much good. These pills are a perfect blood builder and nerve restorer, curing such diseases as rheumatism, neuralgia, partial paralysis, locomotor ataxia, St. Vitus' dance, nervous headache, all nervous troubles, palpitation of the heart, the after effects of la grippe, diseases depending on humors of the blood, such as scrofula, chronic erysipelas, etc. Pink Pills give a healthy glow to pale and sallow complexions and are a specific for troubles peculiar to the female system, and in the case of men they effect a radical cure in all cases arising from mental worry, overwork, or excesses. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills may be had of all druggists or direct by mail from Dr. Williams Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont., or Schenectady, N.Y., at 50c. a box, or six for \$2.50. See that the company's registered trade mark is on the wrapper of every box offered you, and positively refuse all imitations or substitutes alleged to be "just as good." Remember no other remedy has been discovered that can successfully do the work of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.

There is always a best way of doing everything, if it be to boil an egg.—*Emerson*.

Honor to those whose words or deeds thus help us in our daily needs.—*Longfellow*.

The art of dressmaking, as distinct from tailoring, originated with the present century.

The first factory for the manufacture of white glass for houses was established in 1330.

The very lazy man is the ideal of the contented soul so long as he does not have to work.

The Chinese claim to have possessed the art of enamelling metals from at least 2000 B.C.

Joys are the flowers dropped into our path by the hands of Providence.—*Wit and Wisdom*.

Worsted stuffs were first made at the village of Worstead, in Norfolk, England, about 1313.

The essence of knowledge is, having it, to apply it; not having it, to confess your ignorance.—*Confucius*.

The special sanitary inspector sent to Lisbon by the Spanish Government in order to inquire into the epidemic which has prevailed there for some time past, after a long investigation declares that the outbreak is one of true Asiatic cholera, imported to Lisbon from the Cape de Verde Islands.

Great regret is felt in scientific and university circles of Germany at the death of Prof. Heinrich Hertz, which took place at Bonn a few days ago. Next to Helmholtz he was considered by many the greatest physicist in Germany. Professor Hertz was only thirty-seven years old. He was graduated from the University of Berlin in 1880, and at once became an assistant of Helmholtz. His speciality was electricity and its laws.—*New York Tribune*.