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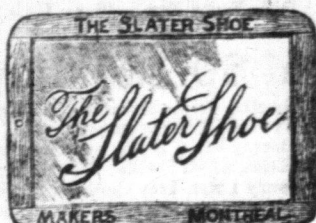
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In California peach pits are sold for fuel at about the same price per ton as coal.

There are 37 gold-producing counties in the 156,000 square miles of California.

A tree on a plantation near Natchez has been struck by lightning seven times.

Sixteen ounces of gold are sufficient to gild a wire that would encircle the earth.

Brooklyn river, New York, derives its name from John Brox, an army in line, and that region in 1639.

It is estimated that there are in the United States nearly 4,000,000 women who earn their own living.

Buildings while excavating in Brussels recently unearthed a boat which is supposed to be nearly, if not quite 2,000 years old.

Italy has bought the Borgheze Museum and Gallery, in Rome, for 3,600,000 francs, to be paid in ten annual instalments.

The Argentine locust has a habit of moving forward like an army in line, and gathering together in bunches, instead of scattering like true grasshoppers.

Cannibalism is still indulged in by aboriginal Australians, according to E. F. Rudder, who has an article on the subject in "The Science of Man" for April.

A novelty is the cold storage of hops. This is done in several places in England. Several systems are employed, notably the Linde, Pontifex and De la Vergne.

The New England Education League is laboring for a cheap book post, by which books from public libraries may be conveyed as second class matter at one cent per pound.

Eight sections at the Paris Universal exhibition of 1900 will be devoted to "the history of the religions of the world, with the beliefs of all the known races of men, past and present."

Texas makes nearly one-third of the cotton crop of the United States, and that State is almost destitute of cotton mills, and Arkansas, another great cotton State, has no mill at all.

An enterprising liquor firm has engaged an aeronaut to give a series of balloon ascensions in Ceylon, and while ascending to drop small sample bottles of whiskey attached to miniature parachutes.

The average taxation in the United States is about \$8 per head. The taxes in France are \$14.48 per head; in England, \$10.81; in Holland, \$8.58; in Austria, \$8.49; in Denmark, \$8.84; in Germany, \$8.89; and in Belgium, \$5.82.

The faculty of the University of Pekin consists of two presidents, eight foreign and eight Chinese professors, 16 assistants, 22 secretaries and about 100 minor officers. Of 250 students of modern languages, 100 are learning English.

The first American bank in Honolulu opened its doors on September 5. The money on hand amounting to half a million in gold, was officially counted by Minister of Interior J. A. King, who gave the bank permission to begin business as a Hawaiian corporation.

A new vat in the cellar of the House of Commons has been filled with 700 gallons of Scotch whiskey, and christened the Valencia vat, after the chairman of the kitchen committee. A much smaller cask is used for the supply of Irish whiskey.

When a man enters the United States service as second lieutenant of marines, he must expend more than one-third of his first year's salary for uniforms. A second lieutenant gets \$1,500 a year, and the regulation wardrobe required costs \$600.

In the year 1830, the population of Ireland exceeded 6,000,000, and the lunacy report for that year showed that the proportion of lunatics to be 250 to every 100,000 of the population. In 1897 the estimated population was only 4,500,000, but the number of lunatics had risen to 435 per 100,000.

The eggs of the great auk or gannet were not sold by the dozen. There are only sixty-eight of them known to be in existence, and they are sold at from \$900 to \$1,400 each, according to circumstances, seldom changing hands. In 1894 an egg brought nearly \$1,500, which may be called the standard price now. There are only eighty skins of the great auk in existence, and one of these well mounted is worth from \$2,000 to \$3,000. The great auk became extinct only within the present century.

## WOMAN'S WAYS.

A grocer has the advantage of other men: When ever he wants to take the conceit out of a woman he lets her pick out her own cantaloupes.

There is nothing more discouraging to a girl than to return home from a big town with a new wrinkle in style and find that it has preceded her.

When the daughter of a rich man makes a salad, with two servants to prepare the ingredients and to wash up afterward, she gets credit for doing all the housekeeping.

Every woman must spoil something—a man, baby or dog. We have noticed it is rarely a man.

If the Lord sends only one boy in a family of girls, the mother and sisters drop into line and begin to revolve around him.

Look at a child and its mother will immediately take out her handkerchief and go to polishing its face.

What has become of the old-fashioned woman who had a "tisy" pined on every chair in the house?

Women sometimes overestimate the power a pretty girl has on a man. An Atchinson woman, finding that she would be late with her dinner, called to a pretty neighbor girl to come over and talk to her men folks while she got it ready. The pretty girl came and talked her best, but all the men folks quarrelled with her before dinner was on the table, and haven't spoken to her.



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"Crowded to death," comes the answer. "All right; I'll be up in a moment and help you out."

In a little while the busy fellow, in his shirt sleeves is sorting a mass of copy, leaving one story out of the paper entirely, laying another aside to be "cut down," tossing this and that on to the floor and making space for the important news that must go into the paper.

What is that loose sheet that he has tossed aside? You pick it up and a glance shows that it is headed with a single line, "A Baby's Death." How unimportant it seems; just three or four lines. Can such news as that crowd out the telegraph, politics, police news or even the gay doings of society? It is only a baby—lost it on the floor.—Josiah Carter in Atlanta Journal.

A Japanese Secret. The Japanese gardeners make a secret of the means by which the many trees are produced; but like many other mysteries, the secret has been discovered by the curious occidental. It is simple enough, consisting only in the cutting of the roots when they first begin to sprout.

Suppose a miniature oak tree is desired. The Japanese gardener takes an acorn and an orange. He carefully scoops out the interior of the orange and fills the skin with rich mold. Exactly in the center he places the acorn, leaving a round hole in a line with the sprouting point. He puts his orange in a sunny place and waters it every day.

Soon after the first shoot appears, and in a very short time afterward the roots break through the orange skin. These are shaved off continually. The tree grows to about five inches high and then stops. In a year it is a perfect miniature oak. When the roots cease to grow, the ends are varnished over and the orange imbedded in a pot or vase. The tree becomes gnarled and stunted every year and is trained to whatever shape is desired.—New York Times.

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## RALEIGH COUNCIL

The above council met Dec. 15. Present, Jas. Chinick, reeve; L. A. Pardo, Jas. Clayton, Jas. R. Irving and P. J. Doyle.

Communications. From City Engineer re the repairs of a bridge near the city limits on the River Road.

From George E. Lourie in reference to the arrears of taxes on the water-works property purchased by him.

From overseers of highways, stating that J. McLachlan, F. Slade, N. Robinson, Sr., and H. Millins had performed the statute labor which was returned undone.

Reports. The commissioners of the several divisions submitted their reports, showing amount of money expended to be:—Div. No. 1, \$306.25; Div. No. 2, \$321.04; Div. No. 3, \$448.62; Div. No. 4, \$79.00; Div. No. 5, \$218.72; Raleigh and Fibbaird townships, \$177.05; South, \$34.26; Raleigh and Harwich townships, \$32.16.

Final reports were made on the following: Drains, all purposes, 18 and 19 side road, Doyle and Simmonds, the pike drainage works and the Raleigh Plains drain.

James Irving submitted interim report on the Merlin drain, showing said drain nearly completed.

Raleigh Plains Drain. After several years partly taken up with law suits and settling claims, R. J. Morrison and N. H. Shepley, the commissioners on the Raleigh Plains Drain, made their final report, which shows in total as follows:—

Amount of estimate as per by-law, of 1892 \$56,190.00  
Premiums on sale of de- 2,383.83  
Interest at Bank added 977.26  
\$59,551.09

Total amount paid out since last by-law purposes, including law suits, \$60,931.99.

Amount overdrawn on present work \$1,380.90.

To the above overdraft must be added the overdraft in 1892, which does not appear in the above and amounts to \$3,813.78, making a total overdraft of \$5,000.00, which must be provided for in the year 1900.

Jas. Chinick reported he had repaired the breakwater at the mouth of the Sarter Drain for \$11.00 and the same to Carter Drain.

Dr. Bell submitted report showing he had the bridge over the Symon drain at the Centre Road, repaired at a cost of \$13.50 and charged the same to Symon drain.

Dr. Bell submitted report of vaccination of the children in various schools in the Tp. The number vaccinated being 710. His charges for same being \$177.50. The cost of the vaccine points was \$55.60, paid to Parke, Davis & Co., Walkerville.

Resolutions. Moved by Clayton and Pardo, that the repair of the bridge over the drain on the river road be referred to the reeve, with power.—Carried.

Moved by Clayton and Irving, that the collector be instructed to take the taxes of G. E. Laurie, less the arrears of taxes on the waterworks property.—Carried.

Moved by Irving and Doyle, that the statute labor tax of J. McLachlan, F. Slade, N. Robinson, and H. Millins be struck off, the statute labor having been performed.—Carried.

Moved by Clayton and Pardo, that the divisional reports be accepted and the commissioners' fees paid.—Carried.

Moved by Doyle and Pardo, that report of the commissioners on the Raleigh Plains drain be adopted.—Carried.

Moved by Irving and Doyle, that the report of James Chinick for the repair of the breakwater at the Carter drain outlet be adopted.—Carried.

Moved by Irving and Doyle, that the report of James Irving re the repair of the bridge over the Symon drain at the Centre road be adopted.—Carried.

Moved by Clayton and Pardo, that the account of Dr. Bell, M. H. O., for vaccinating the children in the various schools be paid and charged to the general funds.—Carried.

Moved by Irving and Clayton, that George McKay be paid \$6.66, two-thirds value of two sheep killed by dogs.—Carried.

Moved by Irving and Clayton, that A. Higginbotham be paid \$2 for one lamb killed by dogs.—Carried.

Moved by Pardo and Clayton, that Mr. McLachlan be paid \$3 for one sheep killed by dogs.—Carried.

Moved by Clayton and Pardo, that the reeve be instructed to do the township's part of the Sarter ditch, on the Raleigh and Harwich townships, and the Taylor award ditch on the 18 and 19 side road at the river road.—Carried.

Council adjourned.

The Spanish royal standard is most complicated. The red and yellow of the Spanish flag is said to be derived from this occurrence: In 1378 Charles the Bold dipped his fingers in the blood of Geoffrey, count of Barcelona, and drew them down the count's golden shield in token of his appreciation of the latter's bravery. The shield, so marked, became the arms of Barcelona, which became part of Aragon, and its arms were taken by that kingdom.

Now to the royal standard: In the first quarter or upper left hand part of the flag are the arms of Leon and Castile, the lion and the castle; the second quarter is taken up, one-half by the arms of Aragon, one-half by the arms of Sicily. The upper third of the quarter (directly under the first) shows the Austrian colors, the lower two-thirds is divided between the flag of Burgundy and the black lion of Flanders; the upper third of the fourth quarter shows the checkers, another Burgundian device, while the lower two-thirds is shared by the red eagle of Antwerp and the golden lion of Brabant, and on the top of all this are two shields, one showing the Portuguese arms, the other the French fleur-de-lis. Considerable of a flag that!

A great many Christian people will sympathize with a recent writer who says he believes in "the whole Bible and not a tittle less of it."

For four years Mr. Zingsheim suffered with piles but now his suffering has entirely vanished and he has gained twenty-five pounds.

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"What was his business?"

"He was a canvasser for an accident insurance company."—Chicago Post.

Death and the Doctor. Death and the doctor met at the door.

"Well, I've got him!" exclaimed Death, looking at the doctor.

The doctor was furious of course. "Oh, yes," he cried with much heat, "but you didn't dare make a square issue of it and get him with the disease I was treating him for!"

Hereupon Death laughed affectedly, saying nothing.—Detroit Journal.

Compliments. "How, for instance," asked the inquisitive boarder, "would you define a compliment?"

"In love's warfare," replied the dialectic boarder, "a compliment is a skirmisher sent out for the purpose of bringing on an engagement."—Chicago Tribune.

The Oldest Tree. The oldest tree on earth with an authenticated history is the great banyan tree of Burma. For 20 centuries it has been held sacred to the Buddha, and no person is allowed to touch the trunk. When the leaves fall, they are carried away as relics by pilgrims.

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