

Science Condensed.

Eighty miles an hour is the speed of a hurricane's movement. The coal trade of the United Kingdom in 1905 employed \$37,100. A rat recently caught at Gateshead-on-Tyne measured 13 1/2 inches. It is computed that the English language is spoken by 650,000,000. A church building on the island of Mahé is built of blocks of white coral. Only 2 per cent. of the world's population gains its living directly from the sea. Some of the larger boats of the Atlantic service carry as many as 150 firemen. A \$760 nugget of gold was found recently imbedded in the skull of an elephant. The French Government will build a college for women in St. Germain-en-Laye. A \$5,000,000 fence was recently erected in Australia to keep the rabbits out of the agricultural district of the Adelaide. The poor children of Exeter, England, are provided with breakfasts at school at a cost of a farthing. General Booth's dream is a fleet of Salvation Army steamers carrying the Army's emigrants across the Atlantic. Taking into consideration the proportionate weight, the wing of a bird is 20 times stronger than the arm of a man. The English potato crop in 1907 is estimated at 2,877,910 tons, which is a serious decline as compared with the previous year. The cast-off uniforms of London policemen are in demand by dealers for African traders, who sell them to the natives. On the eastern coast of Africa there is a body of cavalry mounted on oxen. The beasts are lean creatures and move with surprising agility. Despite the closest scrutiny of their movements the Kafirs of the Kimberley diamond fields steal nearly a million dollars' worth of stones in the course of a year. A restoration of the skull of a great horned dinosaur has just been installed for exhibition in Peabody Museum, Yale University. It is nearly nine feet long and about six feet broad, and is said to be the largest skull of any prehistoric land animal. That Zam-Buk Grows New Healthy Skin. The unique power belonging to Zam-Buk for growing new healthy skin when it has been destroyed by injury, disease or operation is illustrated by the recent experience of Mr. J. Schofield, of 467 Hamilton Road, London, Ont. He says: "A friend of mine (Mr. William Ball, of London) was severely and terribly burned through an explosion of kerosene oil. He was taken to the hospital where he suffered intense pain. The wounds refused to heal and the doctors decided to resort to skin grafting, and I consented to have some skin transplanted from my legs to his body. Although this was done on several occasions, the skin refused to take" un-til Mr. Ball heard of Zam-Buk. From the time he applied Zam-Buk, new healthy skin began to grow. I then used Zam-Buk for the places on my leg from which the skin was removed, and I am glad to report that new skin has grown, and therefore consider Zam-Buk the best skin cure I have known."

Didn't Agree With Me

Mr. Arthur Tennison, 88 London street, Toronto, writes enthusiastically of the merits of Psychine for all stomach troubles. "For seven years I have had indigestion and dyspepsia. I tried scores of remedies. My room resembled a drug store with nostrums which I had bought. Eventually I used Psychine, and every dose brought permanent relief. All throat, lung and stomach troubles quickly cured by Psychine. It is the prescription of a great specialist. At all druggists, 50c and \$1.00, or Dr. T. A. Slocum, Limited, Toronto.

Scoffs at Lowell's Theory. Alfred Russell Wallace, the English scientist, scolds Professor Lowell's theory that the planet Mars is inhabited and that the "canals" are the work of Martians. Mr. Wallace says that "the canals run for thousands of miles across waterless deserts, losing enormously in the process of evaporation, if we assume them to contain water. The mere attempt to use open canals for irrigation purposes would argue ignorance and stupidity. Long before half of them were completed their failure to be of any use would have led any rational being to cease constructing them. The temperature of Mars is prohibitive of any animal life such as is known to the earth."

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STREET NAMES IN CHINA.

They Certainly Lack Neither Length Nor Sentiment. The name proposed as a substitute for the present commonplace title of Sixteenth street in Washington, D. C., is the Avenue of the Presidents. To this some persons object because of its length. How would they like to import a few street names from China, where such poetic titles as the following are in vogue? Street of Golden Profits, Street of Benevolence and Love, Street of Everlasting Love, Street of Longevity, Street of One Hundred Grandsons, Street of One Thousand Grandsons, Street of Saluting Dragons, Street of the Resting Dragons, Street of Refreshing Breezes, Street of Sweeping Breezes, Street of One Thousand Beauties, Street of a Thousandfold Peace, Street of Five Happinesses, Street of Ten Thousand Happinesses, Street of Manifold Brightness, and Street of Accumulated Goodness.

Owing to the enormous advance in the price of teas at the gardens during the past eight months, the "Salada" Tea Co. have had to raise the prices of "Green Label" from 30c to 35c per pound. No other changes in prices have been made. The chief reason for the advance in the price of Ceylon Tea is due to two causes: First, the enormously increased demand coming from Russia, which country is abandoning China Tea in favor of the finer teas of Ceylon. The other cause is due to the planting out of Rubber, which is more profitable to the grower than tea.

Same Result. Piliberty—When I begin to suspect that I'm working too hard at my business I go and consult my doctor. If he says I'm all right I go back to work. Jibbit—There's nothing original in that idea. Whenever I get uneasy about myself I apply for another thousand or two of life insurance. If I pass the examination I know I'm O. K.

As to Yipsley. Mrs. Chugwater—Josiah, this paper says a man named Birkman has sued the city as Jara Yipsley's next friend. What does that mean? Mr. Chugwater—Huh? It doesn't mean anything in the case. No man alive ever really got next to old Yipsley. A Mistake. Client—Didn't you make a mistake in going into law instead of the army? Lawyer—Why? "By the way you charge there would be little left of the enemy."—Sacred Heart Review.

END OF FAMOUS WRITERS.

Literary Geniuses Who Died Miserably Poor and Destitute.

That Ouida should have died as she did in poverty and loneliness, an exile though a voluntary one, from the land of her birth, was an undoubtedly pitiful ending to an exceptionally brilliant career. Equally sad has been the fate reserved for some literary geniuses in the past, says Tit-Bits. For instance, Richard Savage, the gifted poet, died in a debtor's prison at Bristol, after enduring the pangs of semi-starvation for years. Chatterton, driven desperate through hunger, poisoned himself at the age of 18. Swift, died mad, as he had all along predicted he would. Dr. Dodd, whose "Beauties of Shakespeare" is well known, was hanged for forgery. George Gissing, after suffering hardships that embittered his whole existence, died just as fame was beginning to be assured to him. Stow, the famous antiquarian, author of the "Survey of London," became in his old age a licensed beggar, asking alms from door to door "through thirty-six counties." Wycherley, from being the spoiled idol of society, fell to the lowest depths of destitution, and was eventually consigned to the Fleet Prison for debt, where he spent many years in a debtor's prison, and eventually died there by his own hand. Robert Burns, writing only 14 days before his death, implored his friend Cunningham to use his influence with the Commissioners of Excise in order to get his salary raised from £35 a year to £50, "otherwise, if I die not of disease, I must perish with hunger."

Lorente, the learned and talented historiographer of the Inquisition, was died during the close of his brilliant but unfortunate career to hire himself out of a few sous a night to keep watch over the dead bodies at the Paris morgue, and died eventually of starvation. Carnesons begged his bread from door to door until compelled to take refuge in an almshouse, where he died. It is told of Ben Johnson that when in his last illness King Charles sent him a small sum of money he returned it. "He sends me no miserable donation," cried the dying poet, "because I am poor and live in an alley. Go and tell him his soul lives in an alley."

Very sad was the fate of Ulrich von Hutten, one of the greatest writers Germany has ever produced. Unable to earn a living he was reduced to tramping through the country, begging food and shelter from the peasants. One bitter winter's night he was refused both, and next morning was found frozen stiff and cold, drifting snow outside the village. "The only thing he died possessed of besides the rags he wore," says his biographer, Zuinglin, "was a pen." Saint-Simon, the celebrated French author, who wrote "The Reorganization of European Society," was twice driven by want to attempt his own life, and although he died a natural death, the end, it was among the most lamentable surroundings. "For fifteen days," he says, writing to "fifteen days," he says, writing to "I have lived upon bread and water, without a fire; I have even sold my clothes."

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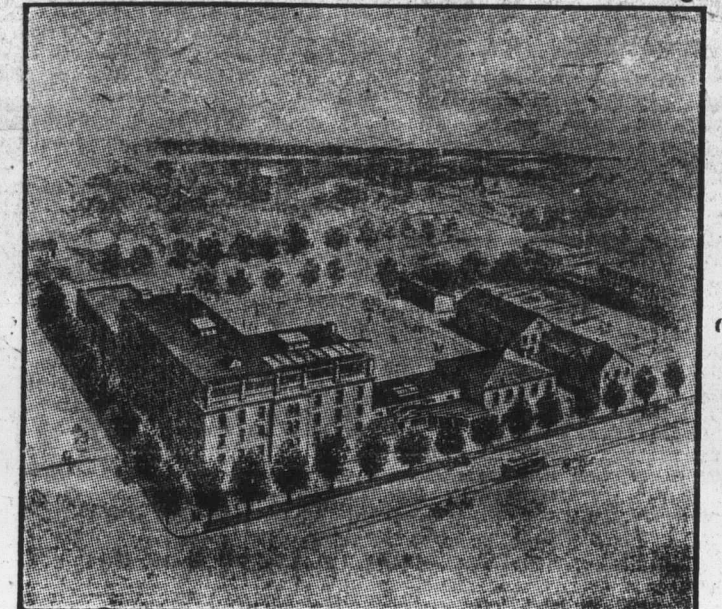
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Beyond His Powers.

Pastor Goodman had preached a stirring missionary sermon, and the collection had amounted to 27 cents. "Brethren," he said, regarding the congregation solemnly, "Solomon was a wise man, and Samson was a strong man, but I don't believe either of them ever could extract blood from a turnip. We will sing the long meter doxology and be dismissed."

WHAT CAUSES HEADACHE

From October to May, colds are the most frequent cause of headaches. LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE removes cause. E. W. Grove on box, 25c.

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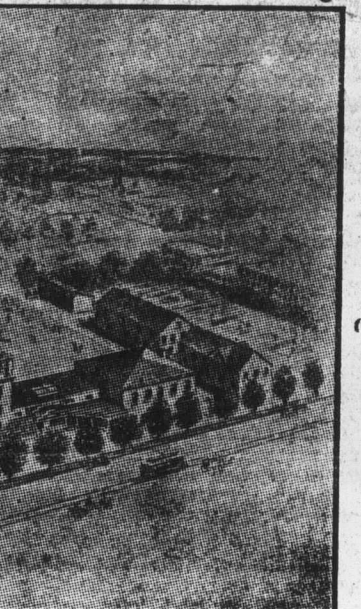
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Blessings of the Blind.

The calamity of the blind is immense, irreparable. But it does not take away our share of the things that count—service, friendship, humor, imagination, wisdom. It is the secret invar will that controls one's fate. We are capable of willing to be good, of loving and being loved, of thinking to the end that we may be wiser. We possess these spirit-born forces equally with all God's children. Therefore we, too, see the lightnings and hear the thunders of Sinai. We, too, march through the wilderness and the solitary place that shall be glad for us, and as we pass, God maketh the desert to blossom like the rose. We, too, go into the Promised Land to possess the treasures of the spirit, the unseen permanence of life and nature.—Helen Keller's "Sense and Sensibility" in the March Century.

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Current Shows Cables' Strength.

To determine when wire hoisting ropes have depreciated beyond the limits of safety has been a difficulty of mining engineers and to avoid risks—in the absence of exact tests—many ropes have been doubtless discarded while still in fairly good condition. The strength of the ropes is now gauged by a novel use of electric induction. The ropes are passed through a coil of copper wire traversed by an alternating electric current—which exactly correspond to changes in the thickness of the rope—cre recorded on a suitable instrument. Dangerous wear or broken strands cause the indicator to give warning.

Minard's Liniment Cures Burns, etc.

Not a Mere Man. A well-known captain of one of the Hamburg-American liners, while on a recent visit to New York, was talking of pride of birth, and he told this anecdote of a certain brother captain in the transatlantic service: "A German passenger once fell from the deck of his ship into the sea, and a sailor, seeing him disappear with a splash, cried, 'Man overboard!' "What do you mean with your 'Man overboard?' shouted the captain, who heard the call. 'Graf Hermann von Finkenstein, Duke of Suabia and Prince of the Holy Roman Empire, is overboard.'"

The Astrologers.

Zaukie, the London astrologer, in his forecast for February, said: "The conjunction of Venus with Saturn is fortunate for the fair sex, especially in Portugal." Raphael, another of London's leading astrologers, made this prediction: "Of Uranus on the meridian in eastern Europe is evil for the ruling powers, and some officials are in danger of disgrace or assassination."—Chicago Record Herald.

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Proposed New Term for an Electrical Unit.

A suggestion of much interest comes from England. It is that the name "kelvin" be adopted for the kilowatt-hour or (in England) Board of Trade unit. The kilowatt-hour being a measure of practical electrical work, is one of the most frequently used of all the electrical units and one with which the general public is perhaps as familiar as any other. The proposal that the memory of Lord Kelvin be honored by applying his name to this unit is now derived, for it was originally made a number of years ago, during the great man's lifetime.

American electrical engineers will be sure to give this proposal a cordial welcome and careful consideration, says the Western Electrician. Aside from honoring a man whom all delight to honor, the word "kelvin," with two syllables, is shorter and more euphonious than "kilowatt-hour," with four. The subject is one of considerable importance, for the word "kelvin," if it should be finally sanctioned by international agreement, will be in daily use among practical electrical men. Such objections as there may be to the word should therefore be carefully considered at the present time, before the recommendation is finally adopted by the commission.

How It Happened.

A certain member of the fashionable Metropolitan and Chevy Chase Clubs at the national capital has all his life borne many quips by reason of his exceedingly diminutive size. Last spring the diminutive club man took unto himself a wife, the daughter of a well known Federal official, who is said to be as witty as her father. "Mrs. Blank," said a friend one day recently, "I have just seen your husband for the first time since his marriage. Do you know, he seems shorter than ever?" "Why not?" asked the wife, with a smile; "he's married and settled down."—Harper's Weekly.

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Brazilian Boat Built of Bronze.

Owing to the great amount of decomposed vegetable matter contained in Brazilian waters, which causes rapid deterioration of thin steel, the hull of the new despatch boat Guanabara, built for the Brazilian Government, is constructed entirely of bronze. Against this metal, says Popular Mechanics, the corrosive action of the Brazilian waters has no effect, and although more costly, both in material and construction, the vessel is much lighter than if built of steel or wood. The propeller shafting and propeller are also of bronze.

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Man's Pruritic Scabbles and every form of obstinate Itch on hands and feet cured by the use of Dr. J. C. Williams' Sanguinary Purifier. It never fails. Sold by druggists.

Messenger Pigeons.

In taking its observations the messenger pigeon rises to the height varying between 200 and 700 feet, according to the climatic and other local conditions. But, whether the height be 200 or 700 feet, the pigeon flies in a series of circles, but always returns to a central position immediately above the spot from which it has been released. As soon as it has accurately determined its direction it darts off for home. The speed varies according to atmospheric conditions. With a strong wind behind them, they will fly at a velocity of 1,500 or 1,600 yards a minute.

Minard's Liniment Cures Dandruff.

Worth Knowing. Soup should never be allowed to cool in any vessel of tin, copper or iron; it must be poured while hot into a shallow, well-glazed earthen pan and be stirred. Fresh stains upon wall paper, where people have rested their heads, can be removed by covering the spot with a mixture of pipe-clay and water made into a soft paste and letting it remain over night; then brush off with a stiff whisk broom. Wash and starch dollies having knitted or crochet lace borders. When they are half dry wrap them up in a cloth and lay them aside. Iron only the centre of the dollies and pull the lace gently into shape with the fingers. If the color has been taken from silks by acids it may be restored by applying to the spots a little hair-borne sal volatile. When sprinkling linen for ironing, it is better to use hot water than cold, for it soaks into the linen more quickly, and so much is not required. When the clothes are dampened roll them up tightly until they can be ironed.

Chance for Conversion.

In the ante-bellum days, when Anson P. Morill, of Maine, was making his first run for Congress a henchman of his opponent met an old minister of that section slowly jogging along the road on his old horse and hailed him with, "Who are you going to vote for?" "Well," said the old man, "I thought I should give Anson a vote. Anson has good timber in him, I believe." "Oh, but I don't see how you can vote for him! Don't you know he is a Universalist? He doesn't believe in a hell." With a quiet twinkle in his eye, the old man said: "We'll send him to Washington. When he has served his two years if he doesn't believe in a hell, I shall be very much surprised."—Boston Record.

EDDY'S "SILENT" PARLOR MATCHES. Silent as the Sphinx! The advertisement features a large illustration of a matchbox with the brand name 'SILENT PARLOR MATCHES' and a sphinx logo. The text emphasizes the quietness of the matches and includes a small illustration of a matchbox at the bottom.

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