

Peopling the World.

Two ways of filling up the world, one of them will be taken care of by the natural increase of the human race, the other consists in transference from the over-populated countries. It is the second of these processes which the British Government has chosen for an emigration policy, the like of which for magnitude and cost has no parallel in history. By a decision just taken, it is to contribute to the expenses of the emigration to the dominions of the next fifteen years a sum of £1,000,000, providing the dominions are willing to devote a similar sum to the end in view. The Australian government has already agreed the plan, and negotiations now in progress with Canada and New Zealand give assurance that they will all contribute their share. It is a practical financial year, in which the contribution of £1,000,000 will be given outright, the sum of £1,000,000 will be spent annually for the next fourteen years, making a total contribution to "emigrate" of £14,000,000.

Sir Joseph Cook calls "the emigration" made possible by the dominions a "great project" for the dominions and population and the dominions have an excess of it. All the dominions, meanwhile, there is an opportunity for redistribution of the population. The dominions of the British Empire are 12,100 in Europe, 12,100 in Asia, 12,100 in Africa, 12,100 in North America and 12,100 in South America. Sunday Herald.

Just Folks

By EDGAR A. GUEST.

OUT OF THE CROWD.
I know, from out the moving throng,
There are a few whose smiles outshine
The rest who start joy's tremor in the breast.
Thousands come and press their way
Along the crowded thoroughfare,
And though in silk and broadcloth
They are dressed,
In greetings of a time-tried friend
Is best.
He stands out who loves us, right or wrong.

Many people pass us day by day,
Blessed by God as swallows and the bees,
Who are noticed are the strangers on the way.
He comes a face the eye enraptures,
A friend! The great, the rich,
The proud,
The men and women in the crowd.

Men Who Loot Liners.

PIRATES UP-TO-DATE.

Recently, while bound, from Hong Kong, the screw steamer Kwang Lee was boarded by pirates. The captain and all the passengers were imprisoned in the engineers' messroom, one Chinese passenger was killed, and the ship, twenty or thirty in number, was away with valuable booty. After disabling the ship's engines, the pirates fled.

There are still wide tracts of sea where captains, unless well armed and manned, are careful to avoid. One of these is the Black Sea. A little over a year ago Black Sea pirates looted the steamer, Soudra, overboard her crew, and got away in the ship's boats with plunder to the value of a quarter of a million dollars.

Passengers Who Were Plundered.
The holdest pirates are Chinese and Malays, and the worst of these is that lying between Malacca Straits and the Japan Sea. A French steamer, Robert Le Diable, was attacked not long ago. The ship, after leaving Canton, took twenty "passengers" to Kung-King. The pirates in disguise, and were the ship out of sight. The pirates held up the ship with pistols, broke into the messroom, and received booty to the value of £4,000. One woman was dead in the fray. The captain forced to steer a course for land, where the pirates were out ashore and their plunder.

Rift pirates who keep watch over the coast off the coast of Africa, have long been dangerous to small sailing vessels. One of the most notorious chiefs was El Moro, Yagouba, who years ago, with his men, he looted the British ship, Comber, and secured much plunder.

Bold and Audacious.
However, piracy does flourish in the district owing to the activities of armed craft patrolling the coast of Gibraltar, but the lawless men still occasionally attack and slow-moving sailing ships.

The opportunity occurs. The act of piracy was the attempt to seize the American steamer, the ship was left a California port. This attempt was made by a man who had boarded her as passenger. It was frustrated by the appearance of a shipman, who shot down one of the men with his

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Dead Men Tell No Tales.

Los Angeles has run to earth a "grifter" who has been selling Bibles to dead men. He sees the death notices from the papers, and sends a Bible to each name, with a letter of thanks for the esteemed order, hoping for prompt payment. When the parcel arrives the relatives open the

letter, and think how nice it was that the last thing the lost one did on earth was to order a new leather-bound Bible. The Department of Justice got wind of the trick, but for a time the grifter defied them to touch him, as they could not prove that the order was not actually given, except on the word of one person—who was dead.

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MINARD'S LINIMENT RELIEVES RHEUMATISM.

But Not Last Summer.

Now that county cricket is once more fairly launched, the following story by the veteran Lord Hawke is well worth recalling.

It concerns one of the Australian cricketers who, returning to Australia after a more than usually wet season spent in this country, was asked what he thought of England.

His reply was: "Oh, it's all right, but it wants covering in."

MINARD'S LINIMENT LUBES KAY'S FRIEND.

Why Volcanoes Erupt.

The crater or basin formed by a volcano starts with the opening of a fissure in the earth's surface communicating by a pipe-like passage with very deeply-seated molten matter and steam. Whether the molten matter thus naturally "tapped" is only a local, though vast, accumulation, or is universally distributed at a given depth below the earth's crust, and at how many miles from the surface, is not known. It seems to be certain that the great pressure of the crust of the earth must prevent the heated matter below it from becoming either liquid or gaseous, whether the heat of that mass be due to the cracking of the earth's crust and the friction of the moving surfaces as the crust cools and shrinks, or is to be accounted for by the original high temperature of the entire mass of the terrestrial globe.

"As Through a Safety Valve."

It is only when the gigantic pressure is relieved by the cracking or fissuring of the closed case called "the crust of the earth" that the inclosed deep-seated matter of immensely high temperature liquefies, or even vaporizes, and rushes into the upwelling fissure. Steam and gas thus "set free" drives everything before them, carrying solid masses along with them, tearing, rending, shaking "the foundations of the hills," and issuing in terrific jets from the earth's service, as through a safety valve, into the astonished world above. Often, in a few hours they choke their own path by the destruction they produce and the falling in of the walls of their briefly-opened channels. Then there is a lull of hours, days, or even centuries, and after that again, a movement of the crust, a "giving" of the blockage of the deep, vertical pipe, and a renewed and jet of expanding gas and liquefying rock.

The general scheme of this process and its relations to the structure and properties of the outer crust and interior mass of the globe is still a matter of discussion, theory, and verification; but whatever conclusions geologists may reach on these matters, the main fact of importance is that steam and gases issue from these fissures with enormous velocity, and pressure, and that a "vent" of this kind, once established, continues, as a rule, to serve intermittently for centuries, and, indeed, for vast periods to which we can assign no definite limits.

The solid matter ejected becomes piled up around the vent as a mound, its outline taking the graceful catenary of rest and adjustment to which are due the great beauty of volcanic cones. The apex of the cone is blown away at intervals by the violent blasts issuing from the vent, and thus we have formed the "crater," varying in the area enclosed by its margin and in the depth and appearance of the cup so produced. At a rate depending on the amount of solid matter ejected by the crater, the mound will grow in the course of time to be a mountain, and often secondary craters or temporary openings, connected at some depth with the main passage leading to the central vent and the formation of one or more subsidiary vents, the activity of which may blast away or smother the cup-like edge of the first crater.

Such a history has been that of Vesuvius. In geologic ages—perhaps some thousands of years ago—Vesuvius was perhaps a perfect cone, some 7,000ft. high, rising by a characteristically accelerated upgrowth from a circle of ten miles or more in diameter to its delicate central peak, hollowed out at the summit by a small crater a couple of hundred yards across. Its eruptions at that time were neither excessive nor violent. Then came a period of greatly increased energy—the steam-jet blew with such violence, that it shattered and dispersed the cone, lowering the mountain to 3,700ft. in height, truncating it and leaving a proportionately widened crater of a mile and a half in diameter. And then the mountain reposed for long centuries.

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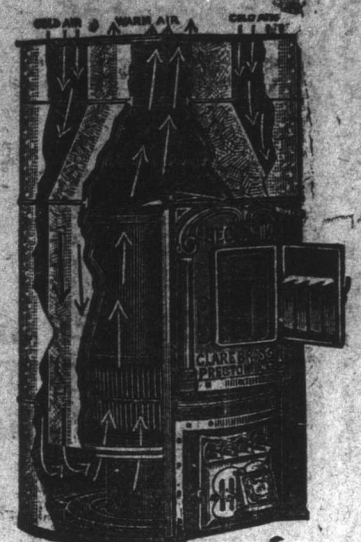
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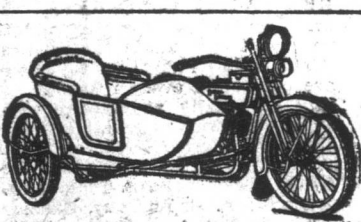
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