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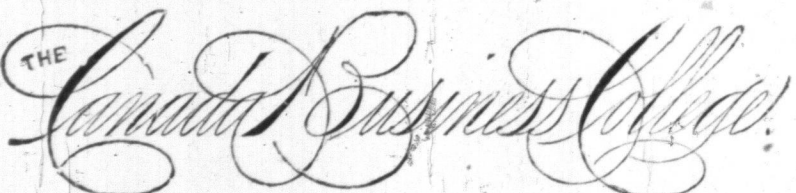
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### CURIOUS FACTS.

A Russian does not become of age until he is 26.  
A male adult has half an ounce of sugar in his blood.  
In Greenland potatoes never grow larger than a marble.  
All the Pope's private fortune is invested in British securities.  
Ireland possesses the most equable climate of any European country.  
Twenty-six thousand men are employed at the Krupp gun works.  
Frogs and toads are gifted with a remarkably acute sense of hearing.  
The municipal palace at Puebla, Mex., is being remodelled at a cost of nearly \$200,000.  
A German law prevents proprietors of eating houses from serving beer to people eating fruit.  
Cyclists in Denmark are forbidden by law to ride faster than the speed of a cat through any town.  
St. Petersburg has the largest bronze statue in existence—that of Peter the Great, which weighs 1,000 tons.  
Henry Arthur Jones is a devoted cyclist, and most of his plays are thought out while the author is awheel.  
The State Historian of South Carolina estimates that that State furnished 74,000 men to the service of the Confederacy.  
St. Paul's Cathedral, London, is the most heavily insured building in Great Britain. It is insured for \$475,000 in 10 offices.  
The depth of water affects the speed of steamers very considerably, the vessels moving more slowly in shallow than in deep water.  
It is not generally known that clippings from masculine heads of hair are used for making strainers through which syrups are clarified.  
The largest library of small books in the world belongs to a Frenchman, who boasts that he can pack 700 of his pocket editions in a single portmanteau.  
There is a creature known as the hagfish, or myxine, which is in the habit of getting inside cod and similar fish and devouring the interior until only the skin and the skeleton are left.  
In an Atlanta divorce suit the allegation is made by the plaintiff that "the would have lived happily but for his habit of going through his trousers pockets and relieving him of all the cash on hand."  
A meteorological observatory is to be established in the spire of the Cathedral at Ulm, one of the largest churches in Germany. Next to the Eiffel tower in Paris it will be the highest post-of meteorological observation in the world erected by human hands.  
A process has been discovered by which sails of vessels of all kinds can be made out of paper pulp, and it is claimed that they serve quite as well as canvas and are very much cheaper. They swell and flap in the wind like the genuine old-fashioned article, and are supposed to be untearable.  
A stalwart young fellow in a theatre at Armagh, Ireland, intoxicated by a melodrama and probably something besides, sprang on the stage, knoked down the principal villain of the play and dragged the heroine from a pulletine. He had to be removed by policemen before the performance could go on.  
The domestics of Christiansia, Norway have formed a union and declare that all work must commence at 6:30 a. m. and end at 9. Service after that hour must be performed by another set of servants, for which extra pay is demanded. One afternoon each week and every alternate Sunday is claimed. Other unions are forming all over Sweden.  
Governor Mount, of Indiana, says that the State contains large tracts of land which have been exhausted and abandoned. In Clay county alone 19,000 acres and 15 square miles. His idea is that farming can be made more attractive by teaching some of the science in the public schools, and says: "I expect to see a law passed on the statute books of the State this winter which will provide for the teaching of the primary principles of agriculture in the public schools."  
The four Powers have agreed upon the color and design of the Cretan flag. The ground of the flag will be blue, traversed by two diagonal white bands, forming a St. Andrew's cross. The upper quarter, next to the staff, will consist of a red field bearing a white five-pointed star. The red square will be the symbol of the Sultan's suzerainty, but there will be no crescent. The flag will be submitted for approval to the Sultan and the Cretans, and is not likely to be modified.

### ODDITIES IN PRINT.

Sicilian farmers receive only \$2.20 a thousand lemons.  
In England more than 10,000,000 oil lamps are lit nightly.  
"The Pilgrim's Progress" has been translated into 203 languages and dialects.  
Wabash, Ind., has an ordinance for bidding the hitching of horses on asphalt paved streets.  
According to a census taken by the Maine Bureau of statistics there are 1,577,552 hens in that state.  
Blanc-mange means literally white food; hence chocolate blanc-mange is something of a misnomer.  
It is stated that much of the so-called vanilla extract is made from coral tar productions and tonka beans.  
The Salvation Army place in their telephone boxes the following suggestive notice: "Ye have need of patience."—Heb. x. 3.

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A drummer who applied for a loan of money was put through the following examination by a member of the Drummer's Association:  
"Where did you come from?"  
"From the town of St. John's Mich."  
"What come you here to do?"  
"To take a few orders and collect a bill of Billson."  
"Then you are a drummer?"  
"I am so taken and accepted by the boys."  
"How may I know you to be a drummer?"  
"By my cheek and my forty-pound sample case. Try me."  
"By will you be tried?"  
"By the square."  
"Why by the square?"  
"Because the square is a magistrate and an emblem of stupidity."  
"Where were you first led to be a drummer?"  
"In my mind."  
"Where next?"  
"In a printing office adjoining a post of drumming."  
"How were you prepared?"  
"By being divested of my last cent, my cheek rubbed down with a brick, a bunion plaster over each eye and a heavy sample case in each hand. In this fix I was conducted to the door of the post."  
"How did you know it was a door, being blind?"  
"By first stepping in the coal scuttle and afterward bumping my head against the door knob."  
"How gained you admission?"  
"By shouting of my cheek."  
"Had you the required cheek?"  
"I had it not, but Charlie Eichelberg er had it for me."  
"How were you received?"  
"On the top of a boot, applied to my natural trousers."  
"What did this teach you?"  
"Not to fool around too much."  
"What happened next?"  
"I was set down on a cake of ice and asked if I put my trust in mercantile reports."  
"Your answer?"  
"Not if I know myself I don't."  
"How were you next handled?"  
"I was put straddle of a 2x4, and trotted nine times around the room, and then directed to the Left Tower for further instruction."  
"How did he instruct you?"  
"To approach a customer in three upright, regular steps, my business extended, my arm forming a perfect square."  
"How were you then disposed of?"  
"I was seated upon a cake of ice in front of a dry goods box and there made for the following horrible and binding oath:  
"I, John Moyer, do hereon and hereinafter swear, that I will never reveal and allow myself to be used as a trade secret for the benefit of the Most August Order. I further swear, by the Bald-headed Jack of Clubs that I will not give, carve, make, hold, or cut prices below the regular rates. And I further swear, by the pipers that played before Moses, to never have any commercial dealing with any man, his wife, daughter, sister, grandmother, old maid, aunt or uncle, unless he, she or it is sound on the goose."  
"I was then asked what I most desired?"  
"Your answer?"  
"Money."  
"What did you then behold?"  
"A copy of Dun's reports, open at Chapter Four. Upon the book rested a pair of scales, in one pan was a can of concentrated lye, in the other a brass jackass."  
"What did this emblem signify?"  
"The scales indicated the balance between Dr. and Cr. The others represented the liabilities and assets. The jackass indicating the debtor."  
"Did this teach you a lesson?"  
"You bet. It taught me to look out."  
"Shake, brother. Will you be off or from?"  
"Both, if I can borrow money."  
"Have you any cigars?"  
"I have."  
"Give 'em to me!"  
"I did not so receive 'em, nor will I so impart 'em."  
"How will you dispose of 'em?"  
"On sixty days, two per cent."  
"All right, begin."  
"No, begin you. You must begin."  
"Em. Set."  
"Set 'em up. The words and signs are right. You are O. K."

### THOUSANDS BLESS THEM.

Helen Gould's helpful hobbies, her work for crippled children, for the soldiers and for others, are too well known to demand mention in detail.  
Miss Margaret Chanler has shown similar interest in philanthropies and public affairs, and received a medal for her services as nurse in the recent war.

Miss Margaret Long, the daughter of the Secretary of the Navy, not only served as a war nurse, but is studying medicine at Johns Hopkins, with a view to pursuing it as a profession for life.

Whether Mr. Hay is a poet who has a talent for statesmanship, or a statesman with a facility for literature, was for a time an open question among his friends, but recent events have seemed to prove that his statesmanship is his predominating quality.

Stedman, the banker, has an ability for turning out verses.

Joseph Jefferson, veteran actor, has many side talents. He is a painter of considerable ability, a fisherman of unusual skill and a prince of good company.

Lilli Lehmann's hobby, after singing, is the preservation of the songbirds, and she will give her services freely for the good of this cause when on any other occasion she would demand an immense sum of money.

Few socially prominent Americans have gone upon the stage. Perhaps Mrs. James Brown Potter is the most conspicuous. Mrs. Jack Bloodgood is a recent recruit of some note, and Mrs. Wilmerhill, the granddaughter of a Vanderbilt, is said to be planning such a move. But in an amateur way a number of prominent people have shown a taste for that sort of thing. The Hewitts get up some entertainments that, while not strictly theatrical, border upon it, and Mrs. Stuyvesant Fish has tastes along the same line.

### POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

Lots of animated thinkers are poor talkers.  
Silence may be golden, but gossip gains currency.  
A preferred creditor is one who never troubles you.  
A coincidence is the antiquated plea of the plagiarist.  
The anatomist ought to be able to furnish inside information.  
Few men are born leaders, but lots of them grow up and become drivers.  
Although the gas meter never fails to register, it isn't allowed to vote.  
Truth lies at the bottom of the well—and anglers never go there to fish.  
The best friend you have on earth is a better friend to himself than he is to you.  
A man may dodge the earthly collectors, but he must pay the debt of nature as he goes.  
Some people seem to know everything except the fact that they don't know how much they don't know.  
We are told the cat has nine lives and we are inclined to believe it spends eight of them in velvet culture.  
It is equally as important to be sure you are wrong before backing out, as it is to be sure you are right before going ahead.—Exchange.

### SCIENCE NOTES.

After the "Britomart" is launched, Liverpool will see the last launch which will be made within the city limits. Seven miles of shore is now under the control of the Dock Board, which has set to work on the scheme of reconstructing the docks authorized by Parliament.

St. Lothaire, in the Jura Mountains, has erected a monument to Charles Marc Sauria, a country doctor who, in 1831, invented the lucifer match. Unfortunately, he was too poor to patent his invention and reap his reward. There are, however, Austrian and Hungarian claimants to priority in this invention.

Old Ben Bush, the giant half-breed Indian, was recently burned in his cabin at his New Jersey home. It is believed that the cabin blew down and was set on fire by the burning logs on the hearth. He was one of the most noted of the many strange characters of the wild Bear Land Mountain district in the Western part of Somerset County. He was seven feet in height and was straight and agile as any of the young mountaineers, notwithstanding the fact that he was a centenarian.

Prof. Angelo Heilprin, of the Philadelphia Academy of Sciences, has just completed his calculations of the heights of the five principle volcanic mountain peaks in Mexico. The result of his measurements are as follows: Orizaba, as measured by the Delors tables, 18,206 feet; Popocatepetl, 17,523 feet; Irazuohuati, 16,960 feet; Nevado de Toluca, 14,954 feet. It has long been said that Popocatepetl was the highest mountain peak in Mexico. Baron von Humboldt's measurement of Orizaba peak was 17,375 feet.

H. E. Chatelier gives in the Comptes Rendus tables showing the increase of resistance of steel after tempering at various temperatures ranging from 710 de. to 1,100 de. The samples tested consisted of two pieces of ordinary steel, and three of chrome steel. At a high temperature chromium adds to the increase of resistance due to the carbon alone; tungsten, on the other hand, diminishes it. In all cases the resistance increases with the increase of temperature up to a limiting value depending upon the constitution of the steel.

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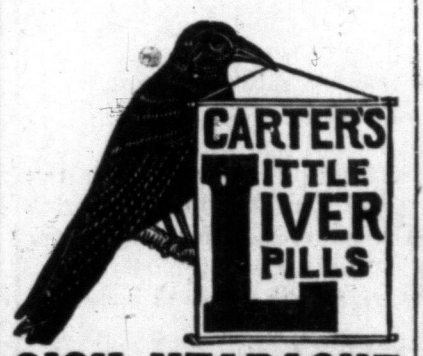
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"On the evening after my arrival in Constantinople I went to the Concordia Music hall, and there I saw more feminine breadth, depth, thickness, height and circumference than I had ever before seen under one roof. The first woman who sang was fat; the second was fatter; the third was no, not fatter, although she was much heavier than No. 2. She was merely the promise of what was yet to come. They were holding back the really big artists for the finale."  
"At last these two came on. They were 'sisters' and they made a large family by themselves. The house arose in joy as the two vast, egg shaped objects appeared on the stage. The Turks, who had been sitting stolidly in the boxes looking with dull unconcern at the frail vocalists who weighed less than 300, now straightened up and clapped their hands."

Suspense is the most trying of all emotions.  
The keenest disappointment has always some compensation.  
You can never convince a man that a luncheon can be as satisfying as a dinner.  
Some persons look as though they were having a good time when they are riding to a funeral.  
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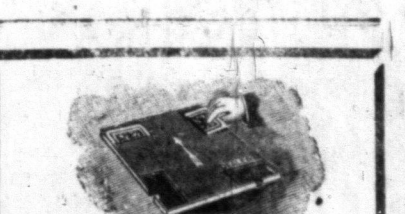
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