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SOUNDS AND ECHOES.

ON account of Dominion Day, THE HOME JOURNAL is issued one day earlier than usual.

"FEW and short were the prayers they said," that is the people who walk eight blocks to the tramcar line and find no cars.

THE Chinese have excluded American kerosene from the province of Amoy. Many is the kitchen stove that is cold in Amoy to-day.

WHEN a visitor the other evening passed a Chinese orchestra in the throes of a Celestial nocturne he is said to have remarked, "Why don't they chloroform that boiler factory?"

THE Duke of Veragua will pay his own bills now. After he has gone all through a hotel barber shop and had a milk shake rubbed into his hair and his periphery gently impinged upon by the colored gentleman with the brush, he will perceive that the United States is a big country - bills and all.

THE EMPEROR AND THE MANDARIN.

The favorite horse of the Chinese Emperor Tsi having died through negligence on the part of the Master of the Horse, the Emperor, in his rage, would have run that functionary through with his sword. The Mandarin Yent-Se, however, parried the blow saying:

"Sire, this man is not yet convicted of the crime for which he deserves to die."

"Well, then, tell him what it is."

"Listen, you scoundrel," said the Minister, "to an enumeration of the crimes which you have committed. First, you have allowed a horse to perish which the Emperor had intrusted to your safekeeping. Moreover, it is owing to you that our sovereign became so exasperated that he was on the point of killing you with his own hand. Lastly, it is your fault that he was about to disgrace himself in the eyes of everybody by killing a man for a horse."

"Let him go," interrupted the Emperor, understood the lesson: "I pardon"

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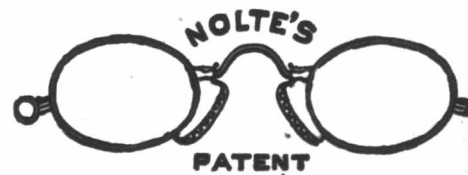
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