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Ants in Africa.

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We have seen outside the fort armies of red ants two and a half days long, i. e., they would take two and a half days passing a given spot. During the day the march would be incessant, every one marching at his very best; towards night they would huddle up in a seething mass, and if disturbed scatter in all directions.

The width of the stream of ants would be about two inches generally. On the flanks

The width of the stream of ants would be about two inches generally. On the flanks of this were the soldiers, fully twice the length of the workers. On our approach these big chaps would run out and up our legs like lightning. No birds, but of one sort, seemed to trouble them; these were sort, seemed to trouble them; these were ittle fellows about as big as sparrows and of a dull gray color.—[Lieut. Stairs, in Nineteenth Century.

Bindings of Books.

H. S. Kephart, the Mercantile librarian, ays: Book owners are often puzzled and anoyed by the fact that the leather bindannoyed by the fact that the leather bind-ings of their books seem to decay and dis-integrate, so that after a few years on the shelves the binding may be picked to pieces with the fingers. One cause of this is the heat in summer and of the library room in heat in summer and of the library room in winter; another and more potent reason is the fumes of gas and coal, which are fatal to several kinds of common binding. Leaving out of the question the flimsy cloth bindings which are turned out by the hundred thousand, the poorest bindings are calf and sheep, for not only are the skins tan ed in a hurry and the work thus carelesly done, but the material is not so well adapted to the purpose as some other kinds of leather.

Cf leather.
Ruse's leather is far superior to either,
and may be known by its peculiar smell,
lich is caused by oil of birch, used in the
tanning. Next after Russia comes morocoo, then is caused by oil of the the season of t

merican Disament of stillborn calves.

The common article, made from skins of rery young calves, is—pens ve enough to satisfy the most fastidious. Neither morocce, pigskin nor velum is reflected by gas or heat, and either is practically indestructible. A well-made cloth binding, hewever, is almost as good as process, and if looks are not regarded, a binding of earns or duck will last as long ar the book.—[St. Louis Globe-Democrat.]

The Moral Influence of One Boy.

When Arthur Cumnock came to Harvard the fast set had marked it, in the eyes of world, either wrongfully or world, either wrongfully or the fast set had marked it, in the eyes of the fast set had marked it, in the eyes of the fast set had marked it, in the eyes of the fast set had marked it, in the eyes of the fast set had marked it, in the eyes of the hotel in Trim—priot of the hotel i When Arthur Cumnock came to Harvard the fast set had marked it, in the eyes of the outside world, either wrongfully or rightfully for its own. The prevailing tone was Harvard pessimism, and the manly tang. The prevailing tone was Harvard pessimism, and the manly tang. The politely and wire pull for the societies and the mally thing has changed, and has ahanged, so all who live in Boston or lambridge will tell you, because the man the was most conspicuous in the college to, owing to his place as the captain of the varsity eleven, threw all his influence on he side of temperance in all things, fair by at either play or work, and showed at it times, whether on or off the field, the ottesy and modesty and strength of a anti-man.

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A few weeks ago a young English officer as given a chance to distinguish himself a India, and he jumped at the chance and defeated 4,000 rebellious Indians with 80 rained men, and the Queen gave him a Victoria Cross and two promotions, and a great many other fine things. But long oefore Licutenant, now Major, Grant did this a brilliant writer wrote that "It is given to very few men to carry a line to a sinking ship or to place a flag on the walls of Lucknew." The important word in this guota-ion, as you see, or as I understand it, is "given" It is a gift; it is nothing to boast of as having been worked for or won. Fo. surely when the chance is given to do either of these things only the poorest of men will refuse to take the risk to seize it. And so the man who makes his chance for himself ment be counted the greater of these two. It is easy enough to walk up a wall, even with cannon on top of it, when the hero-worshiping werld is looking on to applaud, but to come to a great university, as this young American captain did, unknown and unheeded, and to make himself and his own personality felt through four long years, and to win over to his side the sentiment of 2,000 collegiant, and to make them unconsciously follow and copy his manliness of lie, is a much more difficult thing to do, and a much finer.—[Richard Harding Davis, in Harper's Weekly. of Lucknow." The important word in this quotation, as you see, or as I understand it, is "given." It is a sight; it is nothing to boast of as having been worked for or won. Fo, surely when the chance is given to do either of these things ofly the poorest of them. Will refuse to take the risk to size it. And so the man who makes his chance for himself more the counted the greater of these two. It is easy enough to walk up a wall, even with cannon or top of it, when the hero-worshiping well as looking on to appland, but to come to a great university, as this young American captain did, unknown and unheaded, and to make himself and his own personality felt through four 'ong years, and to win over to his side the sentiments of line, it as much more difficult to do, and a much floor.—(Richard Harding Davis, in Hirper's Weekly.

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Well Said.

Mr. Spurgeon has been reviewing a book on "Primitive Methodism on the Yorkshire Wolds," and finds in it some stories very much to his mind. He is especially pieased with one criticism of a sermon.

"Ah, say, Mister, you preached a goodish sermon to-night; but if it had been cut ahort at beath ends, and set a-fire in the middle, it wad a dean us mare good."

Mr. Spurgeon "scarcely remembers a better criticism than this."

Another story is of a not very fluent young man, who, being in the habit of saying in his prayers, "Lord, help me to pray," was answered one night by an old man's ejaculation: "And the Lord help thee to give ower."

Mr. Spurgeon also likes the story of a Mr. Spurgeon also likes the stry of a clergyman who, at a noisy prayer meeting, commanded silence and said: "My dear friends, the Lord is not deaf. Now don't you think you could pray a little more quietly? You remember, when the temple was being built at Jerusalem, there was no sound of any tool heard in it while build-

ing."
"Yes, sir," said one of the brothers,
"that's all very true; but you see, we're
not building the temple; we're only blasting the rocks."

Sir Mark's Bill.

About 65 years ago, says the London Spectator, Sir Mark Somerville received a bill, which he had framed and preserved in Samerville House. Whatever else a bill may be, it certainly is not often amusing, interesting and solemnly conscientious, all at once, as Sir Mark no doubt thoughts, this was, when he put it in a frame. During the time of the contested election in Meath he had sent orders to the proprietor of the hotel in Trim to board and lodge all persons who should vote for him.

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Progress of Medical Discovery.

Edith wear?"

"Oh, Edith? That black and white check to be sure, that she wears to school."

"That proves it," said she. "After this I shall know exactly how much to depend on your knowledge of dress. Edith wore a new white muslin. Never mind dear! Go to sleep. We can't all be clever in every direction!"

Well Said.

Mr. Spurgeon has been reviewing a book

WORDS THAT BURN.

THOUGHT. Thought is deeper than all speech,
Feeling deeper than all thought;
Souls to souls can never teach
What unto themselves was taught

Man by man was never seen; All ou rdeep communing fails To remove the shadowy screen. Heart to heart was never known,

We are spirits clad in veils;

Mind with mind did never meet; We are columes left alone Of a temple once complete. Take the stars that gem the sky, Far apart though seeming near.
In our light we scattered lie,
All is thus but starlight here.

What is social company
But a babbling summer stream? What our wise philosophy But the glancing of a dream ?

Only when the sun of love
Melts the scattered stars of thought,
Only when we live above
What the dim-oyed world hath taught.

Only when our souls are fed
By the fount which gave them birth,
And by inspiration led
Which they never drew from earth.

We like parted drops of rain, Swelling till they meet and run,
Shall be all absorbed again,
Melting, flowing into one.

—C. P. Cranch, IT NEVER COMES AGAIN.

-R. fr. Stoddard. THE GRASSHOPPER AND CRICKET. The poetry of earth is never dead;
When all the birds are faint with the hot sun
And hide in cooling trees, a voice will run
From hedge to hedge about the new-mown

mead.

That is the grasshopper's—he takes the lead
In summer luxury—he has never done
With his delights: for, when tired out with

fun,
He rests at ease beneath some pleasant mead.
The poetry of earth is ceasing never.
On a lone winter evening, when the frost
Has wrought a silence, from the stove there

The crickets' song, in warmth increasing ever And seems, to one in drowsiness half lost,
The grasshoppers among some gras: y hills.

—John Keats.

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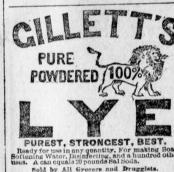
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