

THE WIDE, WIDE WORLD

WHAT IS GOING ON IN OTHER LANDS AND PLACES.

Chiefly Interesting Newsy Nuggets Spec-ly Prepared for the Edification of our Readers.

It is stated Switzerland has been accepted.

Cook-fighting having been suppressed in South Carolina, the inhabitants of that State have gone in for bull-fighting.

Ex-President Cleveland and a large fishing party are expected to try their luck in the Bay of Quinte during July.

Lord Dufferin is suffering with a chronic ailment, and the doctors are anxious about his condition.

Erysipelas from a spider's bite caused the death of Patrick McGee, a New York policeman.

Cardinal Newman is losing his sight. He requests prayers to enable him to continue to officiate at mass, his only consolation.

The prohibition amendment in Pennsylvania was defeated by a majority of over 180,000 votes.

An English syndicate has subscribed \$10,000,000 to establish extensive iron and steel works at Vallejo, Cal.

Sir Lepel Griffin proposes to colonize Cashmere with three million Englishmen as a bulwark to the Indian Empire.

At a meeting of the Royal Clan in Detroit Mr. James Sutherland, of Woodstock, Ont., was elected Royal Tourist.

The dissident Liberal Association of Midlothian has decided to run a candidate against Mr. Gladstone in the next Parliamentary election.

One-half of the City of Lachan, in China, was destroyed by the recent fire, and it is estimated twelve hundred persons were killed.

The Emperor of Austria joined the annual Corpus Christi procession in Vienna, and he and all the princes walked bareheaded.

Mr. Gladstone's mind turns more and more towards the American system of government as a solution for the Irish difficulty.

The Irish Northern railway has accepted full responsibility for the recent terrible accident near Armagh, and are prepared to consider all claims for loss of life and damage.

The Prince of Wales has started London by his statement that he, with his hands, is distinctly affected by the disease, is engaged in business in one of the London meat markets.

An indictment has been returned by the Chicago special grand jury against Martin Burke, at present under arrest in Winnipeg, for murder and conspiracy to murder in the Cronin case.

In Washington, Ind., a woman seventy years of age has confessed to having murdered her aged husband. She put morphine in his tea, and when he fell asleep she cut his throat from ear to ear.

Lord Salisbury has entered his defence in the libel suit brought against him by Mr. Wm. O'Brien, declaring that the speech complained of was made in good faith, and was a fair summary of Mr. O'Brien's course.

It is stated that Mr. Persico, who made an investigation of Irish affairs on behalf of the Pope, states that he fears the Irish Nationalists would kill him if he returned to Ireland.

Wm. E. Howard, convicted in New York of grand larceny in connection with the Electric Sugar Refining Co. frauds, was yesterday sentenced to nine years and eight months in Sing Sing at hard labor.

Mr. Gladstone has unconditionally accepted the principle of the retention of the Irish members in the Imperial Parliament. His new scheme looks to taking the Empire to pieces and reconstructing it on the plan of the United States.

A Singular Suicide.

YARMOUTH, N. S., June 21.—John Cannon, farmer of Ohio, Yarmouth County, drowned himself in the lake near his home yesterday.

He had been in town in the morning, drove home, changed his clothes and telling his wife he would be home to an early dinner, went out. He did not return until the afternoon when on his wife's neighbors searched for him. No trace of him was discovered until this morning, when he was found standing in the lake a short distance from the shore and two under the surface.

He had apparently walked out backwards from the shore till the water was over his head. In just the same spot and just the same way his first wife drowned herself one year ago. AAnn was about 55 years old. He never showed any signs of insanity or depression and was only married to his second wife a week ago.

A Hamilton Snake Tale.

HAMILTON, June 21.—The Times-to-night chapter on this story: A little son of Mr. George Plastow went to the mountain top yesterday afternoon by the Donovan Stairway, and wandered about in search of flowers with some other lads. Plastow had with him a small black-and-tan dog that ferreted out a snake's nest. The dog made a snap at one of the snakes, and had no sooner done so than the reptile caught him about the neck and proceeded to wind himself around the animal's body, squeezing him until life was extinct. The small boy got quite a fright. Plastow rushed home bemoaning the fate of his favorite. It is said that several large black snakes were in the nest.

THE GRAHAM PETITION.

Sir John Thompson Will Report that it Cannot be Compelled With.

OTTAWA, June 23.—It is announced that a formal protest has been received by the Government, signed by Dr. L. H. Davidson, chairman of the Citizens' Committee of Montreal, against the reference to the Supreme Court of the Jesuits Estates Act. Dr. Davidson's program is not very clear, but he may save himself all anxiety over the proposed reference. The Graham petition was referred in the regular order of business to the Minister of Justice, who will make a report upon it stating that compliance with its prayer by the Government is impossible.

Two Men Drowned.

QUEBEC, June 22.—Two men named Bertrand and Leblonde were drowned yesterday while fishing in River St. Henri by the upsetting of their canoe. Bertrand was postmaster at Levis and Leblonde was a commercial traveler for Garneau & Son of this city.

Lucy Hayes Stricken With Apoplexy.

CLEVELAND, June 21.—Mrs. Hayes, wife of ex-President Hayes, was stricken with apoplexy this afternoon at her home in Fremont and at 9 o'clock this evening she was unconscious.

THE POET'S CORNER

Do What is Next to Thee.

Do what is next to thee; Love doth not measure If not thy pleasure, Still thine the peace will be.

Do with all thy might; Brief is the living, Bless thou thy giving, As in God's holy sight.

Do it for Jesus' sake, Though it be trying, Sweet thy denying His love can ever make.

Do with all thy strength; Be not delaying, But swift obeying, For night will come at length.

Do with all care and zest; Patient in waiting, Watchful, pursuing; So life's long days are best.

Do thou with prayerful heart, Always rejoicing; Let thy sweet voicing Some good to all impart.

Do what is right and meet; Wait not the morrow, So shall not sorrow Burden love's willing feet.

A Peasant's Home in Brittany.

I entered at his invitation. The small, low, smoke-grimed room was parlor, dining-room, kitchen and nursery—nearly nursery, it seemed, as near as I could make out. I was still blinking with the glare of the blazing stove, when in every side—except inside. There was a pungent reek of past and present smoke that helped to obscure the sun-lazed vision; and it was some minutes before I made out of the bituminous gloom that I was in the presence of an anxious young mother, wistful and sad of face, rocking a pale young baby in a primitive and creaking cradle as ever I met with. Mothers and babies and cradles of all sorts and conditions had I seen and sketched two, in my little career, but never had I seen just such a mother's nest before for any mine of humanity, no matter how lowly or foreign. Jacky was weeping with an oblique glance of interest and amusement, and hastened to explain, with a one half proud, half apologetic, that he had builded it all himself, all out of his own invention, parented by the moment of necessity. The materials were donations from various sympathetic neighbors. The grocer's wife gave the oblong packing-case; and he called my attention to its happy shape and size. He made light of the various labels, direction, and other decorations, including (in big stencilled letters) that word of caution, "Fragile," on one end of it. "It made it more amusing," he said. The rockers were made from a couple of old chair backs donated by the cabinet maker. The canopy (if one may so use the word) was an arrangement of old barrel hoops nailed at the head, with an old faded sail gracefully draped over them. I stood gazing at this quaint bit of home contrivance with far more interest than I had given to many a carved and gilded cradle of some bygone princeling in some museum. The poor father could hardly interpret my smile of amusement over his handiwork. He did his best to explain and apologize, never thinking that from my point of view it was a very "find" of unobscured picturesqueness. By this time the little room had come out of its thick shadows. The window was close confined to keep out the glare and the flies, as Jack explained. Our whispered voices were not so low as to prevent us from rousing the baby, and she began to dig her little pink feet into her little pink eyes and whimper out a feeble protest at the world in general. I said softly to the pale little mother that if she wanted to let her sleep on I would sit down and sketch and never say a word. She gave a little approving nod, and the curtain was drawn a little aside for the light, and down I set to my work, as if there had been no yesterday of poetry and pleasant fellowship, of hairbreadth escapes and moonlight wanderings, of sad awakenings on the morrow, of rushing off—one cared not whether—to seek forgetfulness. Here, in no time at all, yesterday and the morrow were toned into the background, and the foreground of our thoughts was occupied by a fly-tormented baby in a packing-box cradle. What babies we are, and what babies we pursue!

Many Thanks.

"My age is 68 and for 20 years I have suffered from knee complaint, rheumatism and lame back, and would have been a dead woman if it had not been for Burdock Blood Bitters, of which two bottles restored me to health and strength." Miss Maggie Hendaby, Hall Island Cove, N. S.

Stamped Linens.

The newest design in openwork borders on damask is the cathedral pattern, and is very handsome.

The canvas effect in openwork is also new, and is worked in cross-stitch in one or several colors. All these elaborate borders are imported from Saxony, where the most beautiful handwork is done.

Mommie cloth is used extensively for table wear. On each end of a tray cover is stamped an odd-shaped knife and fork held together by a design like a twist of ribbon: "We eat to live" and "Peace and plenty."

Sideboard cover and doilies have clusters of vegetables or cups and saucers in Japanese design, which are very effective when worked in colors.

A splasher of butchers' linen with deepknotted fringe has a most original design of an orchestra of frogs seated on stones or stumps, performing on all sorts of musical instruments to an apparently delighted audience, also composed of frogs, in full evening dress.

More artistic outlines are of woodbine, morning-glories and carnation pinks.

A Free Gift.

Around each bottle of Dr. Chase's Liver Cure is a medical guide and receipt book containing useful information, over 200 recipes, and pronounced by doctors and druggists as worth ten times the cost of the medicine. Medicine and cook \$1. Sold by all druggists.

Gossip About Women.

There is a society of lady artists in London.

Miss Cobden has been obliged to give up her work on account of ill-health.

Mrs. Mona Caird has organized a scheme of neighbors' clubs in England.

Miss Morstook, an English painter, had five pictures in the Royal Academy this year.

There are 6,000 girls preparing to enter the New York Normal College, and only 800 can be admitted.

Miss Emily Balch has gained a scholarship of \$500 toward a year's study at an English or Continental University.

A Boston statistician states that seven-tenths of the marriage engagements that are broken are broken by women.

Mrs. Spurgeon, wife of the celebrated London preacher, sends books to poor country clergymen and bonnets to their wives.

For occasions of ceremony the Queen Regent of Spain sometimes puts aside her black garments and wears a lilac gown.

The Duchess of Cleveland has just published the "Battle Abbey Roll," a work which is likely to prove of great historical value.

At Mrs. Mackay's, 7 Buckingham Gate, London, an annual sale of Irish cottage industries was recently opened by the Duchess of Abercorn.

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Key fever; by mail, registered, Ely Brothers, Druggists, Oswego, New York.

Out Door Life for Girls.

Spring, summer and autumn are now before us, and during the next few months girls should live out in the open air as much as possible. Make a special effort to rise some morning and go out on a distant hill and see the sun rise, and we assure you that if you have any love for nature and its beauties you will see old Sol rise on a cool many mornings this summer. The spiritual, exhilarating influence of such a sight is like a sermon—we mean no disrespect to the minister whom you love and respect, but if you knew the truth, some of his best sermons were born while he was worshipping at the shrine of nature.

Early morning rising will secure for you the purest air, the sweetest perfume of the flowers, and for your entertainment a chorus of birds whose songs make one divine harmony. The morning's experience will tempt you out again later in the forenoon, and you will mentally say to yourself as you see the sun rising high in the heavens, "Well, I did follow, I have seen you before today and I have a faint recollection that I bade you 'good morning.'"

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