

Facts and Figures.

Some of the great Atlantic liners employ 150 firemen.

In Paris there is a Buddhist temple with 300 members.

The annual fish catch of England is valued at \$53,960,000.

In northern Australia there is one white man per 700 square miles.

Contracts for 13,000 miles of new railroads exist in the United States.

There are now 262,000 Sunday schools in the world, with a total of 26,000,000 pupils.

A pig buried under a strawstack for 17 days, and being without food or water all that time, has come out to live on.

Putting up telegraph wires on poles costs \$155 per mile. Laying the same wire underground will cost more than ten times that sum—about \$1,850 a mile.

Every soldier in the Russian army is to be provided with a pocket compass with a luminous needle, and 300,000 compasses, costing \$400,000, have already been ordered.

Connecticut leads the list of States in the number of patents granted during 1907, when 920 were issued to Nutmeg inventors, according to the report of the commissioner of patents.

An extraordinary pair of elephant tusks lately shown in London measure in length eleven feet five inches and eleven feet, respectively, but each has a girth at the base of only 18½ inches, and together they weigh but 293 pounds.

In Warwickshire if the young men can catch a hare and bring it to the parson in the morning of Easter Monday he is bound to give them 100 eggs and other presents. As hares are uncommon there this time of year, the prize is seldom claimed.

In 1777 nails cut from cold iron were for the first time thus manufactured in this country at Cumberland, R. I. Some men who had deserted from the British army began the manufacture of glass in 1780 in Temple, N. H. Two years later a firm in Philadelphia began manufacturing fustians and jeans.

One of the most curious mines in the world is in Tongking, China, where, in a sand formation at a depth of 14 feet to 20 feet there is a deposit of the stems of trees. The Chinese work this mine for the timber, which is found in good condition, and is used in making coffins and troughs, and for carving and other purposes.

The development of watercress growing in Dorset, England, is enormous. One firm near Bere Regis employs no fewer than 40 men in the cultivation, cutting and packing of cress, and the proprietor publicly stated a few days ago that he pays \$10,000 a year in wages. The watercress, which is scientifically cultivated, is sent to all parts of the country.

According to the best authorities, the total number of years elapsed since, in the light of best geological evidence, men first appeared upon earth is placed at 238,000. Of this, 78,000 years belong to the pre-glacial period, 100,000 years to the glacial, 44,000 years to the interval between the glacial epoch and the proto-historic and neolithic, 10,000 years to the two last named epochs, and 6,000 years to the time elapsed since the beginning of the historic period in Egypt.

The rails of the Mexican Gulf railroad are laid on mahogany sleepers; and the bridges built of white marble. In west Mexico is a line with ebony sleepers and ballast of silver ore drawn from the mines beside the track. The engineers constructing these railways had no other material on the route and found it cheaper to use these seeming extravagances than to import the ordinary material.

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