

Our Young Folks.

A Welcome.

How do you do? May I say how glad I am to see you here. The rest are coming; roses and buds, and bees abounding.

Little Kitty.

David almost lost his way. He came from school through the woods. It was a new home, and David had not learned all the turns and openings yet.

Dictionary Puzzle.

I once met a jowler with a hookah slung over his shoulder. He was followed by a gillie, who was also a great lobby, and carried in a basket a few geese and a part of a gigot, ready to grill for dinner.

The Condor.

We can find you on any mountain about the world. He is a very strong man, and can climb a condor on the wings of the mountains. He has eaten so much that he could not fly.

The Linen Thread.

"Charity thanketh no evil." Eva, a farmer's daughter, was a most skilful spinner, and had some very fine thread spread out to bleach in her father's garden.

The succeeding year the old stork nest on their church tower was repaired; and lo! the lost thread was found in the stork nest; for the stork had taken it!

Then Eva repented that through her Barbara had lost her good name. With tearful eyes she besought the young girl and her parents to pardon her for the orally unjust accusation.

Derivation of Some Words.

Our English word arena derives its meaning from the sand (Lat. arena) that was strewn over the elliptical spaces in the centre of the Roman amphitheatres.

The phrase *prima matutina* has its origin in the Japanese word *amata*, to kill. The Malays have a custom of running amuck, resulting from intoxication by opium.

The word *ama* has a very contradictory meaning. When used as a prefix it has the sense of meaning of over again or against.

Anathema originally had a sense quite opposite to its present one, and signified anything dedicated or set apart as a votive gift of the gods.

The derivation of our familiar word *apple* is very curious. It is one of the few names of our common fruits which is not of French or Latin origin.

Artesian wells derive their name from the province of Artois, in France, the Latin name for which is *Artoisium*.

Our familiar and beautiful flower the *China Aster*, derives its name partly from things terrestrial and partly from things celestial.

The word *auction* originally meant an increase, or an increasing, as applied to time or things, and had no reference to a sale.

August, the name of one of the months, was originally among the Romans the sixth month of the year, and was by them called *Sextilis*.

Plain Talk to Girls.

Your every day toilet is a part of your character. A girl who looks like a "fury" or a stovon in the morning is not to be trusted, however finely she may look in the evening.

Episcopal Recognition.

(From the Pres-by-terian.)

Bishop Curran has been "recognized" in an orderly way. His orders are doubtless good enough for Episcopals; for he has that mysterious grace which flows through the imposed hands of a diocesan bishop.

Domestic Happiness.

The great end of matrimony is to give cheerfulness to those hours which of themselves cannot give and acclamation cannot utter. These soft intervals of unbending amusements, in which a man conforms to his natural dimensions, and throws aside the ornaments and disguises which he feels in privacy not to be useful, incumbent, and to be all effect when they become familiar.

The Memory of Dr. Livingstone.

At the last monthly meeting of the Russian Imperial Geographical Society—the Grand Duke Constantine (brother of the Emperor) in the chair—M. Venoukoff, the secretary, before proceeding with the business of the evening, said the society owed a duty which must first be fulfilled, and that was to render homage to the memory of Dr. Livingstone.

Water for Poultry.

At the season of the year there is a great scarcity of water, and the intense heat of summer causes a rapid evaporation of water, it frequently happens that fowls are compelled to go without water for several hours.

Being convinced that poultry should never be left without pure water, and being unable to find in any book a description of a really desirable fountain, we determined to study out one that should be at once cheap, efficient, and of real utility.

If care is used and no waste allowed, a pailful in the morning, another at noon, will keep up a supply through the day, and as a drop falls into the pan a drop passes out, so that dust is carried off and fresh pure water is always at hand.

We have found such a fountain to be a cheaper and more desirable one than any of those described in books.—Mass. Ploughman.

The Most Nourishing Food.

Liebig and other scientists assert that the greatest mistake committed with nature's food gifts is in grinding and bolting fine flour from wheat. This plant seems especially formed and intended by nature to be, with fruits and vegetables, our principal food.

Permanence of Pottery.

Pottery owes nothing of its beauty or its serviceableness of its material, for that is but the dust born with our feet, and everything to the hand that fashions it and to the mind that directs the hand; so is it that it comes to have so purely human an interest: it is a bit of man's work with no adventures and whatever.

Coinst rust with time, statues of marble and bronze crumble or are corroded, inscriptions are obliterated, stone walls fall to the earth, and the pyramids themselves are slowly disappearing; every monument that mankind have thought most lasting yields to time except the work of the potter.

Presbytery of Paris.

This Presbytery met on Tuesday, the 14th day of April, in Dumaries street Church, Paris. There was a full attendance of ministers and elders. The following are the chief items of business transacted by the Court: Commissioners in favor of Mr. William Turnbull, from Wellington street Presbyterian Church, Bradford, and Mr. Thomas Charlton, from St. George's, representative elders for the next twelve months at the different Courts of the Church, were given in and read.

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earnest prayer that the blessing of God may ever attend him in winning souls for the Master. Parties having been called in which all acquitted. Mr. Colborne was appointed moderator of the Kipler Session of River street church during the vacancy and Mr. Thomson, of Ayr, appointed to preach in said church on the second Sabbath of May and declare the pulpit vacant. The Presbytery next took up the call from Chalmers Church, Quebec, to the Rev. Peter Wright, of Ingersoll. The Rev. R. M. Thornton appeared for the Presbytery of Montreal, and M. P. Peck for the congregation in Quebec. Messrs. H. S. Mutterson, Kamehan and Kerr appeared on behalf of the Knox Church, Ingersoll. The committee having been heard, Mr. Wright intimated his readiness to decide at the present meeting, and at our next meeting of Presbytery in May to give his decision, to which the Presbytery agreed.

Presbytery of Cobourg.

This presbytery met at Port Hope on Monday, March 1st. The Rev. Mr. Bennett and Dr. Montgomery were appointed Commissioners to the General Assembly in place of Mr. McMillan and Mr. George Kennedy, who had signified their inability to be present at the ensuing meeting of that court. It was agreed unanimously to nominate the Rev. Thomas McPherson of Stratford as Moderator of the General Assembly. Messrs. Easing and McKay, ministers, and Mr. Mann, elder were appointed the Presbytery's representatives on the Synod's committee of Bills and overtures. Mr. Bennett and Mr. Gavi. Craig were appointed members of the corresponding committee of the General Assembly. Mr. Donald was appointed moderator in a call at Perrytown and Oakhills, when requested by the people to do so. It was also agreed to apply to the H. M. for a grant at Perrytown and Oakhills, of \$150.00 per annum conditional upon settlement. A communication was received from the congregation of the Home Mission Church at Somerville, of \$175.00 per annum from the first of April. Reports ancient union were given in from fifteen congregations and sessions, eleven expressed approval of the basis, in two instances it was reported that the congregation by considerable majorities accepted the basis, but that the Sessions disapproved. In one instance it was reported that the Sessions accepted, but that the congregation rejected the Basis. In one instance, the Basis was disapproved, both by the Session, and by the congregation. A draft of the proposed overture to the General Assembly on the rules and regulations of the Home Mission Committee, was submitted. The overture was at a subsequent meeting adopted and ordered to be transmitted. The object contemplated in the overture is the appointment of a committee of Assembly to consider and revise the rules and regulations of the Home Mission committee, so as to make them in their working more satisfactory to all concerned. Messrs. Ewing and Bennett were appointed to explain and support the overture on the floor of the General Assembly. The next meeting of Presbytery was appointed to be held at Cobourg, on the first Tuesday of July at 11 a. m. W. DONN Pres. Clerk.

Miscellaneous.

Some one who speaks with the air of a man who has discovered a new fact by experience, says that the best way to prevent bleeding at the nose is to keep your nose out of other people's business. The Christian Chinese in San Francisco recently began to hold a prayer-meeting of their own which is well sustained; as many as eighty having sometimes been present. A New York clergyman, Dr. Armitage, kindly denounces St. Paul from the aspersions of Lualo lecturers by saying that the apostle's injunction upon feminine speaking in church was only intended for the Corinth women who were very impulsive, and spoke early and often. To the question, Is it wicked to dance? the Christian Union replies: "It is wicked when it is wicked, and not wicked when it is not wicked." To which the Congregationalist adds:—Let us all be thankful that that point is settled! A German, Dr. Helle, who had slandered the Old Catholic Bishop Remkens, has been sentenced to three months imprisonment. He appealed to a higher court, but this confirmed the sentence of the lower. The Moderator of a certain Presbytery in Scotland once said to a candidate for the ministry, who had his broom-making:—"My young friend, the Presbytery believe that all men should glorify God in some way—some by preaching, some by making brooms, and that you are one who should make the brooms."