

AN IRISH ROSARY.

A Rosary of bogwood, Of Irish bogwood dear, Enlink'd with chains of purest gold,— A chaplet without peer!

YOUTH'S DEPARTMENT.

THE CARE OF BOOKS.

Children should early be taught care of a book. A very little child can understand that a book must not be thrown on the floor, or torn, or bent backward, or matted in the fifty small ways in which children are permitted to abuse books.

There is much negligence shown in the matter of returning borrowed books, and this often by persons of whom one would expect better things.

GIANTIC MEN.

The Emperor Maximian was eight feet in height, so also was a giant exhibited at Rome in 1735. Dr. Goriopius, of the French Academy of Science, once made a professional examination of a girl of but 13 years of age who was 10 feet 4 in. high.

Secondilla and Pusio, the giant keepers of the gardens of Sallust, were exactly of the same height, each measuring nine feet six inches.

Chevalier Scovey, in his account of the voyage to the peaks of Teneriff says that in opening one of the sepulchral tombs they found a human skull which measured four feet in circumference and which was provided with eighty (80) teeth.

Patens, in his published writings, tell of a giant whom he examined at Lincum, whose body measured 19 feet 4 inches and three lines.

In this tomb lies the noble and puissant lord, the Chevalier Ricon de Vallemot and his bones.

ICELANDIC WONDERS.

There is no country in the known world where volcanic eruptions have been so numerous as in Iceland, or have been spread over so large a surface.

The lava flood at the last eruption in Iceland, in 1875, has been computed to contain 31,000,000,000 cubic feet, while the largest eruption of Vesuvius on record, that of 1794, only threw 730,000,000 cubic feet of lava.

months, until a terrible eruption commenced 200 miles away in the interior, when they disappeared.

A few years ago rocks and islets emerged from the sea in this place. Another volcanic feature is the Solfatara valleys, plains studded with a number of low, cone-shaped hills, from whose tops jets of steam ascend.

As to the hot springs, those in Reykjadal, though not the most magnificent, are, perhaps, the most curious among the numerous phenomena of this sort in Iceland.

Not far from this is the grotto or cave of Surt, which is so large that no one has penetrated to its inner end. In forming these scenes nature seems to have deserted all her ordinary operations and to have worked only in combining the most terrific extreme which her powers can command.

MIND READING.

The performances of mind-readers are occasionally cited as evidence of the truth of various superstitions, mis-called religions, and therefore this statement made in the April Forum by Dr. Charles Gatchell, who has himself performed the trick in question, is very interesting.

At this stage the mind-reader goes through a process that he calls "testing the committee." He informs them that a necessary condition of mind-reading is that all three members of the committee shall have exact knowledge of the route, the date, and the name.

The peculiar method of identifying must now be described. The handkerchief that is bound about the head exerts its greatest pressure upon the brows.

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