

# POOR DOCUMENT

## Greatest things on Earth

The largest suspension bridge will be the one now building between New York and Brooklyn. The length of the main span is 1,595 feet six inches. The entire length of the bridge 5,989 feet.

The loftiest active volcano is Popocatepetl—"smoking mountain"—thirty-five miles southwest of Puebla, Mexico. It is 17,784 feet above the sea level, and has a crater three miles in circumference and 1,000 feet deep.

The largest island in the world, which is also regarded as a continent, is Australia. It is 2,500 miles in length from east to west, and measures 1,950 miles north and south. Its area is 2,984,287 square miles.

The longest span of wire in the world is used for a telegraph in India over the river Kistnah, between Bezorah and Sectanagram. It is more than 6,000 feet long, and is stretched between two hills, each of which is 1,200 feet high.

The largest ship in the world is the Great Eastern. She is 680 feet long, 83 feet wide, and 60 feet deep, being 22,927 tons builder's, 18,915 gross and 13,244 net register. She was built at Millwall, on the Thames, and was launched January 31, 1857.

The largest University is Oxford, in England, in the city of the same name, fifty-five miles from London. It consists of twenty-one colleges and five halls. Oxford was a seat of learning as early as the time of Edward the Confessor. University college claims to have been founded by Alfred.

The largest body of fresh water on the face of the globe is Lake Superior, 400 miles long, 160 miles wide at its greatest breadth, and having an area of 32,000 square miles. Its mean depth is said to be 900 and its greatest depth about 900 fathoms. Its surface is about 635 feet above the level of the sea.

The most extensive park is Deer Park in the environs of Copenhagen, in Denmark. The enclosure contains about 4,200 acres, and is divided by a small river. The largest pleasure ground in the United States, and one of the largest in the world, is Fairmount Park, Philadelphia, which contains 2,740 acres.

The biggest cavern is Mammoth Cave, in Edmondson county, Kentucky. It is near Green River, six miles from Cave City, and about twenty-eight miles from Bowling Green. The cave consists of a succession of irregular chambers, some of which are large, situated on different levels. Some of these are traversed by navigable branches of the subterranean Echo River. Blind fish are found in its waters.

The longest tunnel in the world is that of St. Gothard, on the line of railroad between Lucerne and Milan. The summit of the tunnel is 990 feet below the surface at Andermatt, and 6,600 feet beneath the peak of Castellhorn, of the St. Gothard group. The tunnel is 26 1/2 feet wide, and 19 feet 10 inches from the floor to the crown of the arched roof. It is 9 1/2 miles long, 1 1/2 miles longer than the Mount Cenis tunnel.

The largest inland sea is the Caspian, lying between Europe and Asia. Its greatest length is 760 miles, its greatest breadth 270 miles, and its area 180,000 square miles. Great Salt Lake, in Utah, may be more properly termed an inland sea, is about 90 miles long and has a varying breadth of from 20 to 35 miles. Its surface is 4,200 feet above the level of the sea, whereas the surface of the Caspian is 84 feet below the sea level.

The biggest trees in the world are the mammoth trees of California. One of a grove in Tulare county, according to measurement made by members of the State Geological Survey, was shown to be 76 feet high, 106 in circumference at the base, and 76 feet at a point 12 feet from the ground. Some of the trees are 376 feet high and 34 feet in diameter. Some of the largest that have been felled indicate an age of from 2,000 to 2,500 years.

The largest empire in the world is that of Great Britain, comprising 8,557,638 square miles, more than a sixth part of the land of the globe, and embracing under its rule nearly a sixth part of the population of the world. In territorial extent the United States ranks third, containing 3,580,242 square miles, including Alaska; in population it ranks fourth, with its 50,000,000 people. Russia ranks second, having 8,352,940 square miles.

**HOUSEHOLD HINTS.**—Preventing Mould.—To ensure paste from moulding put into it a proportion of alum and resin. A few drops of any essential oil will preserve leather from mould, and a single clove put into a bottle of ink will have the same effect upon it.

**Hartshorn Cookies.**—Two cupsful of sugar, one of butter, one of milk, three eggs, lemon extract, and one tablespoonful of hartshorn, pulverized. Bake soon after mixing.

**Disinfectants.**—Coffee pounded in a mortar and roasted on an iron plate, sugar burned on hot coals, and vinegar boiled with myrrh and sprinkled on floors and furniture in a sick room, are excellent deodorizers.

**Ink on Furniture.**—Ink stains on black walnut furniture may be removed by touching the spots with a feather wet in a solution of nitro and water, eight drops to a spoonful of water. As soon as the stains are erased rub with a cloth dipped in water.

## A Terrible Tragedy.

THE SINKING OF THE STEAMER MANITOULIN, ON THE UPPER LAKES—GREAT LOSS OF LIFE.

The following additional particulars have been received of the burning of the steamer Manitoulin.—The fire broke out about one o'clock p. m. Captain Campbell was sitting at dinner when he heard the cry. He immediately ran out, mounted the hurricane deck, and cried out to the wheelman, "Hard astarboard, hard astarboard. Run her for the shore." The engineer, Langherby, on hearing this order, immediately jumped down into the engine-room, from which the flames were leaping with terrible fierceness, and let on every available ounce of steam. His escape from the destruction is nothing short of miraculous. They were then about two miles from the shore, with a large number of passengers, and the fire growing fiercer and fiercer every moment. However, in running for the shore, the steamer was headed against the wind, and as the fire was in the after part it materially aided in keeping the flames in that quarter. When the fire broke out and the excitement was at its height several ladies and children jumped overboard and perished.

The cries of excitement and general wail that went up were most pitiable to hear. On a boat being lowered so many rushed into it that the front davits broke, letting all those within it into the rushing waters below. It is not known whether all these were saved or not. The flames had by this time enveloped the after part of the steamer. The passengers were huddled together trying in vain to gather hope from the expression of one another's countenances. The flames were drawing nearer and nearer every moment, driving the crowd forward. The heat became intense. One after another sank fainting to the deck overcome by the heat and smoke. One young couple but recently married got separated in the surging crowd. The husband rushed hither and thither searching for his lost one when above the roar of the flames rose a cry which he instantly knew came from her he sought. She was in the ladies' cabin, and he rushed to her, when in an instant the flames swept round them, and the devoted pair perished clasped in each other's arms. The wheelhouse was now in flames, but like John Maynard of old the wheelman stood at his post, the red hot embers dropping around and upon him. The captain stood near encouraging and directing all with voice and action.

The foam flew from the bows bow as she cleft the water like a knife, the flame and smoke rising high toward heaven, and making a most impressive picture. One minute more and the shore is gained. "Hurrah! Now, boys, you may go," shouts the captain to his brave crew, as the boat touches the beach, and he himself prepared to leave. Just as he reaches the lower deck he sees a little girl rushing, as though mad, right into the roaring flames. He reaches to save her, and just in time, but to save himself from slipping down the sloping deck into the flames, he grasps an almost red-hot iron ladder and both are saved. He drops his charge to those waiting on the beach, and assisting others in the same way all are saved from the steamer.

The captain and purser state that about twelve lives are lost, but others say that the captain was not in a position to know, being in the fore part all the time. Some persons, who got off the lifeboat, say that persons were continually jumping overboard in terror to escape the flames and were not saved; and further that six or seven men who were lying on the deck drunk have not since been seen. Between 20 and 25 lives must have been lost at the least. Up to 6.30 o'clock on Friday morning only three bodies had been recovered. All saved were taken to Manitowanning and accommodated as well as possible.

**AN UNPROFITABLE MONDOOLIAN.**—Ah Woum, one of our saddle-tinted aliens, had the effrontery to be taking a walk at 2.15 a. m. on Tuesday last, and was "hood up" by one of our freborn hoodlums. Imagine the disgust of the white man to find the total yield of his supposed Mongolian bonanza to be just fifteen cents, every cent he had taken in the night, too. This amount was hardly enough to pay for a day's interest on one of the new kind of silver-plated, self-locking revolvers, now used by all our best known footpads. This significant incident illustrates one of the worst peculiarities of this besotted people—we mean the Chinese—they never carry any decent sum of money around with them, which is another reason why we should at once be released from the mendacity of these oriental vampires. If their immediate exclusion cannot be secured on account of the pigheaded obstinacy of "official Arthur," at all events Congress might compromise by passing a law compelling them to go about in parties of six or eight, especially on moonless nights, when the city is made shadowy and dismal by the gas company, so that by trying out a whole lot of them at one time, poor but deserving highwaymen may at least take in expenses those hard times.

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