

HOUSEHOLD.

To Womanhood.

Mothers and maidens, believe me, the whole course and character of your lives will be in your hands; what you would have them be they shall be, if you not only desire to have them so, but deserve to have them so; for they are but mirrors, in which you will see yourselves imaged.

Proper Training for Girls.

Staying at home as usual, and at work, while the girls are off on excursions, and boat rides, and botanical expeditions, and showing at garden parties, and festivals of all sorts!

Life is a very earnest and practical affair, and trying to make it up out of picnics and festivals and jollities would be very much like trying to make a meal out of whipped cream.

It is almost time for you to allow your girls to waste their hours in such a fashion. Perhaps they are having a good time, but some day they may say to themselves: "Oh, dear! how I wish mother had taught me something useful and sensible."

Did you ever know a woman to regret that she knew how to do exquisitely fine needlework or plain sewing, to bake light, wholesome bread, or make delicious pies or cakes?

There is not a doubt that the longing to die is mistaken for the need of a nap. Instead of the immortality of the soul, business men and working women want regular and systematic doses of dozing—after a mossy nap in the shade of an old oak that succeeding seasons have converted into a tenement of song birds, there is nothing to approach a big sofa, or a long, low couch placed in the corner, where a tired nature can turn her face to the wall and sleep and do away the gloom.

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The Evil in Feminine Dress.

The evil in the feminine dress of to-day lies not with our rich women, but with our women of average means, writes Edward W. Bok in the July Ladies' Home Journal.

Home-Made Ice Cream.

Anybody can make his own ice cream in five minutes, and for an expenditure of two or three cents, says a correspondent. If the preparation desired to be frozen is placed in a tin bucket or other receptacle it can be readily congealed by putting it in a pail containing a weak solution of sulphuric acid.

The Couch in a Cosy Room.

A room without a couch of some sort is only half-furnished. Life is full of ups and downs, and all that saves the weary of the mentally jaded and physically exhausted fortune-fighter is the periodical good cry and the momentary loss of consciousness on the upstairs lounge, or the old sofa in the sitting-room.

Unwholesome Eggs.

The character of a hen's egg is something that affects consumers of this kind of food very seriously. Few persons suspect danger in an egg. There is an old adage to the effect that an egg and a nut can be eaten without suspicion, but it is very far from being true.

Say Well and Do Well.

A short time before Dean Stanley's death, he closed an eloquent sermon with a quaint verse, which greatly impressed his congregation. On being asked about it afterwards, he said it was doubtful whether the lines were written by one of the earliest deans of Westminster or by one of the early Scotch reformers.

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The origin of Lord Salisbury's beard, however, is to be found in an incident of his career which is not generally known, or rather, which is generally forgotten, but which has had a good deal to do with the formation of his character.

He was a younger son of the second Marquis of Salisbury, and though his father was the lord of many acres, and married to a great heiress, the present head of the house started in life with but a moderate income and a splendid education.

Two more different men than Disraeli and Lord Salisbury could not well be imagined. Disraeli was a big actor, a mystery, a dreamer, an adventurer. He possessed nothing and he did not want to possess anything. He never really owned an acre of land in his life, and if he had just enough money for current expenses he was thankful not to be troubled with more.

Lord Salisbury had devoted himself mainly to home affairs and especially to church questions; but Disraeli discerned in him a great foreign minister. By way of testing his capacity in this respect, he sent him to the conference of the powers at Constantinople, without any previous training, as minister plenipotentiary at an extremely critical period.

Row "There is a Happy Land" Was Written.

A short time ago, in the course of my work as a reporter, I found myself in a low saloon waiting for the proprietor. I had noticed as I came in three men and a boy playing cards in a corner.

There is a happy land, far, far away, where saints in glory stand, bright as the sun and day, oh, how they glory in it, while we mortals here, who are our Saviour King, Lord let His praises ring, praise, praise for aye.

My mind flew back to the night when I heard these words sung by a little band of Jamaicans in the swamps of Aspinwall, and further back still to the time when in Edinburgh I heard them in their author's class-room.

The music coming from the cradle of the race, the words telling of the far-away goal, this hymn seems peculiarly fitted for the world-wide fame it has won. Of the millions who have sung it there are perhaps few who know how it came to be written.

A Man-Eating Leopard.

The Calcutta Englishman contains a blood-curdling account of the doings of a man-eating leopard lately shot in the Rajshahi District, in Bengal. The monster had destroyed 154 persons before he was shot down.

How to Use the Gooseberry.

The gooseberry is not as highly esteemed in this country as it is in England. It is difficult to get a variety which will grow in our dry climate and attain that perfection which it obtains in the moist climate of England.

Fame, Wealth, Life, Death.

'Tis the sunlight on the mountains, 'Tis the rainbow on the fountains, 'Tis the music on the harp, 'Tis the beauty on the map, 'Tis the glory on the throne, 'Tis the power on the throne, 'Tis the life on the tree, 'Tis the death on the tree.

'Tis the rainbow, still receding, 'Tis the sunset, still receding, 'Tis the moon, still receding, 'Tis the stars, still receding, 'Tis the life, still receding, 'Tis the death, still receding, 'Tis the fame, still receding, 'Tis the wealth, still receding, 'Tis the life, still receding, 'Tis the death, still receding.

'Tis the earthly hour of trial, 'Tis the life that's but a span, 'Tis the prize of self-denial, 'Tis the crown of life to win, 'Tis the hour when love may bourgeon, 'Tis the hour when love may die, 'Tis the hour when love may flourish, 'Tis the hour when love may die.

'Tis the dark, mysterious portal, 'Tis the human eye may never roam, 'Tis the hope still springing immortal, 'Tis the bliss that leads the wanderer home, 'Tis the love that lies before us, 'Tis the secret shall be known, 'Tis the vast angelic chorus, 'Tis the hymn before the throne!

'Tis the mother's hour, 'Tis the mother's hour, 'Tis the mother's hour, 'Tis the mother's hour, 'Tis the mother's hour, 'Tis the mother's hour, 'Tis the mother's hour, 'Tis the mother's hour, 'Tis the mother's hour, 'Tis the mother's hour.

The Spirit of Unselfishness.

One of the earliest lessons in training children to be unselfish is to teach them to rejoice in the happiness of others. It is a natural impulse when some rare pleasure is offered to one child in the family for those who cannot share the enjoyment to be a trifle envious.

Might Hurt.

Little Dot—"My new doll has a dreadful dirty face." Little Dick—"Why don't you wash it?" Little Dot—"Mamma won't let me. I dress her as if I'd get soap in her eyes."

Soapuds are good for most garden plants.

In France it has been demonstrated that vaccination is beneficial to horses suffering from glanders.

Among the wealthy classes of Japan it is considered undignified to ride a horse going faster than a walk.

The man who lives right and is right has more power in his silence than another has in his words. Character is like bells which ring out sweet music, and which, when touched accidentally resound with sweet music.

PARAGRAPHS POINTS.

Reasonable Spring Will That Will Season Busy Lives.

With many religion never gets above the level. —Texas Siftings.

Some people seem to think that talking in a moral way is leading a religious life. —Somerville Journal.

Many a boy is frightened out of being religious by the way religion makes his friends look. —Ram's Horn.

Lying is a reprehensible habit, generally speaking; but fish stories are quite appropriate during Lent. —Boston Transcript.

The idea of a "heavenly choir" must have been conceived by some one acquainted with the earthly article. —Indianapolis Journal.

Sociable Minister—Do you read your Bible every day, my little dear? Little Dear—No, indeed. I don't have time. I'm too busy helping mamma stone raisins and things, so as to always have something nice for dinner every time you come. —Good News.

Little Jonnie—Say, ma, does a minister really need all the slippers that are given him? Mrs. Brown—Yes, indeed. His soap is generally very bad. —Epoch.

Rector—Are you denying yourself anything during Lent? Mrs. Lakeside—Indeed I am. I'm putting off getting a divorce until after Easter. —New York Weekly.

Rev. Poundtext—Are you doing anything to mortify the flesh during Lent? Sweet Parishioner—Haven't you noticed that I am in church every Sunday? —New York Weekly.

Jasper—For a good and pious man Brown is remarkably lazy and shiftless. Jump-uppe—Yes; he is a sort of a tramp on the strait and narrow way. —Philadelphia Record.

A church in Lancaster, Pa., offered a medal to every person who did not miss a church or Sunday-school service during the year. One medal was awarded, and the janitor got it. —Lowell Courier.

Those who pray loudest are not always the most pious. The noisy petitioner sometimes prays that way in order that the brethren (and sisters) may notice the strength and sweetness of his fine, low baritone voice. —New York Herald.

Humor Paraphrased.

The Parist—Lawyer—Have you conscientious scruples about serving as a juror where the penalty is death? Boston talesman—I have. Lawyer—What is your objection? Boston talesman—I do not desire to die. —New York Herald.

Suitor—I have come to ask for your daughter's hand and at the same time to deposit my property of 50,000 marks in your bank. Banker—What! and to such a reckless man you expect me to intrust my daughter? —Fliegende Blätter.

A teacher of natural philosophy once asked the bright boy of the class how many kinds of force there were, and was astonished to receive the following reply: "Three, ma'ma. Mental force, physical force, and police force." —Pharmaceutical Era.

A big job on hand.—Cleverton—What's your hurry, old man? Dashaway—I haven't a moment to spare. I've got to attend a reception this evening, and I'm going around to my laundryman to see if I can borrow one of my collars. —Clothes and Furnisher.

Mrs. Morton (angrily)—Tommy Horton, what made you hit my little Jimmy? Tommy Horton—He struck me with a brick. Mrs. Morton (more angrily)—Well, never let me hear of your hitting him again. If he hits you come and tell me. Tommy Horton (sneeringly)—Yes, and what would you do? Mrs. Morton—Why, I'd whip him! Tommy Horton (in disgust)—What! he hits me with a brick, and you have the fun of lickin' him for it? Not much! —Puck.

And Then He Sat Right Down.

Principal of Grammar School—William Flint, stand up! What were you laughing at?

William—I-I don't like to tell, Mr. Luskison.

Principal—I insist on knowing.

William—I was laughing at Ben Parrott. He whispered to me that he saw you kissing Miss Boomsen on the stairway fore school took up.

Unfortunate Hankiness.

Mr. Hankinson—Here are some chocolate creams, Johnny. Do you think Miss Irene will be down soon?

Johnny (after stowing them away secretly)—Yes, sis 'll be down purty soon, I reckon. I wish it was you, Mr. Hankinson, sis was goin' to marry instead of that stingy old Snagsford.

A Satisfactory Conclusion.

Mrs. Youngusband—And you'll let me spend the money for that purpose, dear?

Mr. Youngusband—Why need you ask? Isn't all my money yours, dear?

Mrs. Youngusband—But I don't help you earn it, dearest.

Mr. Youngusband (tenderly)—No—er—but you help me spend it, darling.

Up and Doing.

The advice to be up and doing is all very well in its way, if we are the right pursuing.

And our doods bear the light of day! A better precept we cannot keep.

If we are busy with honest labor, but 'tis better, far, to be fast asleep.

Than be up and doing your neighbor.

Possibly So.

Little Fanny—Mamma, what is hereditary?

Mamma—It is something you get from your father and mother.

Little Fanny—Then I suppose spanking is hereditary?

A Judge of Babies.

Miss Giddigush—Mr. Crusty, did you see the Coington baby? Do tell me how it looked.

Old Crusty—Um—ah! It is quite small, clean-shaven, red-faced, and looks like a hard drinker.

Well Named.

Shopper—Why this is a new shade of red.

Clerk—Yes, madam. That is the an-archist tint.

"How did it come to get that name?"

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THE CONDITION OF AFFAIRS IN NORWAY AND SWITZERLAND.

The "Court of Conciliation" and How it Works in These Countries—The Composition of the Court and Its Method of Settling Disputes.

Who has not often thought, unless, perhaps, he be of the legal profession, if there were not some way to avoid the exasperating delays of justice from legal technicalities and quibbles, the sacrifice of fortune and happiness to the pride of "fighting out" trivial litigations, and the endless misery of "going to law," which are indeed an ill wind to every one except the lawyers; and the legal element benefited is not often that which we should wish to encourage. "Jarndyce vs. Jarndyce" is perhaps no longer possible, but there is abundant room still for the delightful method of settling civil cases at law which Nicolay Grevastad describes under the title "Courts of Conciliation" in the Atlantic. One only feels that the system is entirely too easy and simple and good to be true.

In Norway, "every city, every village containing at least twenty families, and every parish, constitutes a separate 'district of conciliation.' The districts are small, in order to make it as easy as possible for the parties to attend courts, as personal attendance is the main feature of the proceedings. The court, or commission, as the statute styles it, is made up of two members, one of whom acts as chairman and clerk. These officials are chosen for a term of three years at a special election, by the voters of the district, from among three men nominated by the city or the parish council. Only men above twenty-five years of age are eligible, and the law expressly provides that only "good" men may be placed in nomination. The court meets at a certain place, day and hour, every week in the cities, and every month in the country districts. It is not public. The proceedings are carried on with closed doors, and the commissioners are bound to secrecy. Nothing of what transpires is permitted to reach the outside world. Admissions or concessions made by one party cannot be used against him by his adversary if the case should come up for trial in the regular courts. But a party willing to settle before the commissioners is entitled to a certificate to that effect.

Before this informal tribunal all parties to civil or private cases must appear. Failure to answer in person—except in specially prescribed cases, when a representative, other than a lawyer, is allowed—is punished by the obligation to pay all costs of the formal trial subsequent, whatever be its decision. This has proved entirely adequate to insure attendance. A fee of twenty-five cents charged the plaintiff for issuing the summons, and a second of fifty cents in case of a conciliation, are all the costs possible.

The office of commissioner has come to be one of great honor, and the best men in the country are selected, nor have the "courts" been allowed to come into "politics."

Truly, it must be an instructive and a noble sight to see this little tribunal—the two "good" men of the district—take into hand with ready tact and impartial wisdom and human sympathy the hot and vengeful contestants at feud and quietly take them out of their "caps and bells" of angry pride.

The influence of the court of conciliation is brought to bear upon a legal controversy while it is yet possible to bridge the chasm by peaceable means. The injured party has made up his mind to seek redress, but before he can rush into court to must pass through the gates of peace. Here the contestants meet without lawyers to spur them on and obscure the issue by legal verbiage. Each tells his own story in his own language, and in a plain, common sense way. With the statements of both parties before them, the judges reduce the differences to their true proportions, emphasize the uncertainty and expensiveness of litigation, and endeavor to make it plain to the contestants that each, by a comparatively insignificant concession, can have the matter adjusted at once, save a large amount in courts' and lawyers' fees, and, in fact, gain more than he would obtain even in court. The writer makes the remarkable statement that seventy-five out of every hundred cases are peaceably adjusted in the courts of conciliation.

Curiously, this ideal method of handling that most difficult of subjects—human nature—is part of the machinery of paternal government, and was founded by a royal edict in 1795 and 1797.

It may be regarded as one of the corner-stones of the national system of justice, and it is not an exaggeration to say that any attempt to abolish it would provoke a revolution.

The same method of settling their differences is also in force in Switzerland. Before any action can be brought in the courts of law there, it is necessary for both litigants to appear before a functionary known as the "Juge de Paix," who is elected and is always one of the wealthiest citizens of the community. Each there states his side of the case, and the duty of the "Juge" is to endeavor to reconcile the differences. As the only persons permitted to be present are the Juge and the litigants, in nearly every case this effort is successful.

What It Costs to Run a Ship.

It costs money to man a big ship after it is ready for sea. The first-class ships like the Chicago, Baltimore and Philadelphia carry about thirty officers, 300 enlisted men and a marine corps of from forty to sixty men and officers. The officers of a first-class ship of the line are the following: Captain, Lieutenant-commander, four Lieutenants, one Junior Lieutenant, two Ensigns, nine Naval Cadets, Medical Inspector, Surgeon, Assistant Surgeon, Paymaster, Chief Engineer, Assistant Engineer, Chaplain, Captain of the Marines, gunner and carpenter. The expense of maintaining a first-class modern cruiser, pay of officers and men, coal, repairs and general supplies is estimated at \$1,300 per day. This is in time of peace. If fighting is to be done the expenses will of course be vastly increased. Repairs may run into the hundreds of thousands of dollars after an engagement, while the cost of firing one

broadside from a ship like the Chicago, 900 pounds of metal at one discharge from four guns, is about \$600. It is easy to see that a day's fighting with a fleet of such cruisers would make a big hole in the pocket of even as rich a magnate of the earth as our Uncle Sam.—Augusta Chronicle.

THE QUEEN'S ENGLISH.

It Differs in Very Material Ways from the President's.

In England one universally hears, and most English writers use, "differ to" rather than "differ from," though when "pinned" down usually admit it to be incorrect. They "take in" the newspaper, an expression where we economize a word by only "taking" it.

"Attractive," as a personal quality, carries further to the English mind than to the American, who, for qualities beyond the social, as in a statesman or commander, would use "magnetic," and thereby acquire a finer shade of meaning. A gentleman asked me if I didn't find the English "home-ly," which certainly I could not be so uncomplimentary as to acknowledge in an American sense of the term. Seeing my hesitation he changed it to "hospitable," which most emphatically I could assent to; and assent also to their having the better of us in that word which so beautifully conveys its own meaning and bears not the slightest resemblance to its American prototype of ill-favored. "Clever" is short English for "intellectual," while the American use of the word is quite the reverse. "Sick" is never used but to discriminate the kind of "illness," an adoption we may wisely make. "Remember" is "mind." Furniture is not "removed" or "stored," but "warehoused." The expression "top" and "bottom" of the street or town at first strikes one singularly, but it is easier said than "upper" or "lower" part of the same, certainly conveys the same meaning. "Stores" are "shops," and as we go "shopping" why not "shopy" in "shops"? It in England we wish to "shop" for a "spool of thread" we ask for a "reel of cotton;" for "Canton flannel," "sawadown calico;" for "shirting," "calico," though an English writer on Americanisms asserts that we ask for a "web of muslin;" or, if we wish "samples," it is necessary to ask for "patterns."

While Americans have been much and deservedly ridiculed for their abbreviations of "gents" and "pants," I have seen both used in England, which does not, however, prove it a commendable custom, but only exemplifies the folly of "throwing stones by people who live in glass houses." "Draper," "haberdasher," "ironmonger," etc., more briefly designate the kind of "shop" than do the American equivalents.

In pronunciation—whatever may have been his verdict as to the relative order of different words—this unprejudiced empire must, if letters have any arbitrary significance, give the victory to America. The corruptions of the ignorant have, however, so engrained themselves upon the mother tongue, many times even changing the spelling—as when Rue du Roi became Rotten Row—that the true Briton looks with indulgent pity upon one who, ignorant of the valuelessness of letters in these exceptional cases, uses them with the power bestowed upon him by linguistic English authorities.

At Oxford you must never betray your noninsularity by mentioning Magdalen College, which to all good Englishmen is "Maudlin." Cholmondely is "Chumly," Leicester, "Lester;" Marylebone, "Mar-rowbone;" while St. John as a family name becomes "Sinjin." Clerk is universally called "clark," though by what rule "c" can be made to have the sound of "a" doth not appear; perhaps by the same rule which to many Americans apply to "very," pronouncing it "vary," until in England it is accounted an Americanism. American "railroad" is English "railway," and everything connected with it is known by a different name, some of which better convey the meaning, while in others we have the advantage. "Station" is certainly more correct than "depot," borrowed in spelling, though not in pronunciation or in signification, from the French. In England you "book" at the "booking office" with the "booking clerk," while in America you "get your ticket" at the "ticket office" of the "ticket agent."

The "car" is called a "carriage," and that European vehicle partakes more of the nature of a carriage than does its American prototype. The "baggage-car" is a "luggage-van," and, of course, "baggage" is "luggage;" but why—as it is neither universally "bagged" nor "lugged"—not sacrifice economy to truth and give to it the comprehensive Latin name "impedimental"? "Freight trains" are "goods trains," perhaps equally significant. "Checks" would be "brasses," if travellers in England ever had the good fortune to use them, and the "rails" are called "metals," neither of which words conveys an idea of the use of the "metals" or their kind. "Conductors" are "guards," and as they both conduct and "guard" the train, have perhaps equal significance. When about the start the "conductor" shouts "all aboard;" the "guard" "take your seats," so in the interests of brevity we would have the "guard" shout "all aboard." "Street car" is "tram," each perhaps equally appropriate, so again the shorter would win. The "telegraph operator" becomes "telegraph clerk;" while "operator" conveys an added dignity, we might accept "clerk"—"clark" never.—Pittsburg Dispatch.

Canada's Product Ahead.

Canadian cheese brings more in the market than American cheese because Canadian cheese makers make only strictly fine cheese, and then sell it on its merits. When we learn to let that abominable skimmer alone and make full cream cheese, and no people realize they can get it, we will have no trouble in obtaining as good prices. Ohio appreciates this, and is trying to enact a law compelling cheese made in that state to be branded "Ohio full-cream." "Ohio state," "Ohio standard" and "Ohio skimmed." The brand shall also give the name of factory and its location. The "state" brand shall indicate cheese made from milk from which only one-fourth of the butter fat has been taken, "standard" shall contain 40 to 75 per cent. of the milk's fat, and "skimmed" less than 40 per cent. The enforcement of such a law would add enormously to the value of Ohio cheese.—Farm and Home.

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MISSING LINKS.

Germany has 336 military bands. Cosmetics cost the fair Americans \$22,000,000 a year.

The great St. Paul's cathedral, in London, was built from taxes levied on coal.

Next to pork, the banana is said to be the most indigestible thing that a person can eat.

If London streets were put end to end they would reach from that city to St. Petersburg.

More than 25,000 persons have been divorced in the state of Connecticut since 1890.

The revenue collected from last year's ascents to the top of the Eiffel tower amounted to \$115,000.

The region about the Dead sea is one of the hottest places on the globe, and the sea is said to lose a million tons of water a day by evaporation.

A Philadelphia funeral team did service at a wedding a few days ago, and the dosing driver allowed the horse to carry the bride and groom into the cemetery.

The largest of barbles is said to be the species known as the loggerhead, which grows to the enormous weight of 1,900 pounds. These are found in the sea.

The business of preparing shrimp for the Chinese market is assuming important proportions in California. The shrimp are taken in huge nets and boiled in great iron vats.

An umbrella company has been incorporated with a capital of \$5,000,000, and is to carry on business in all the states and territories of the United States and in foreign countries.

Above the length of 19 or 20 feet, snakes in the Philippine Islands increase greatly in bulk for every foot in length, so that a snake 19 feet long looks small besides one 22 feet long.

There are in London 990 common lodging houses which have nearly 60,000 inhabitants. In these warrens are about 9,500 women and girls, and of this number some 4,600 are under the age of 22.

The greatest enemy of suburban telephone and telegraph poles is the woodpecker, whose search for the numerous insects which inhabit the wood often leaves the pole literally honeycombed.

A small cabinet containing an alarm clock, a three-candle-power lamp, a medical coil and a gaslighter, all operated by electricity from four cells of dry battery, is among the novelties recently devised.

New Yorkers have formed a society, with branches in Philadelphia and other American cities, for the suppression of the "intolerable annoyance created by the frequent noisy clanging of inharmonious church bells."

In ancient times Greece possessed something like 7,500,000 acres of dense forest, and she was comparatively rich in timber until half a century ago. Many forests have now disappeared, and the result is seen both in the scarcity of the water supply and in various injurious climatic effects.

A brilliant young London surgeon has aroused the hostility of the profession by his outspoken denunciation of over-drugging and his advocacy of dietetic treatment of disease, and as a result his name was removed from the medical register. He has taken action to have his name restored.

Insects have recently destroyed whole forests in Powhatan County, Virginia, and among other trees the famous Pope's vine, a noted landmark in the old dominion. It stood for years on an eminence from which it was visible for twenty miles or more around, and towered high above all surrounding trees.

The Gila monster, *Heloderma horridum*, is the only species of known poisonous lizard in the world. It is a native of the Gila River country in Arizona, and has seldom or never been seen at any great distance from that stream. The Indians of Arizona believe the spittle, or saliva, and even the breath of the animal to be deadly poison.

South Africa has been scourged by a locust pest and considerable damage is still being wrought. A swarm of locusts crossed over one place in a column over six miles wide, clearing pretty much everything before them. The meadow crop in the Orange Free State has been destroyed by the locusts, causing a loss of over \$1,000,000.

Electricity has recently been applied to establish the state of a horse's foot. Usage is to put one pole of a battery in contact with the inside of a hoof the other pole in connection with the iron shoe. If the hoof has been pierced with a nail to the quick, the horse will feel the electric current and become irritated; in the other case, the current cannot pass through the foot.

It is reported from Santa Fe, N.M., that in excavating some Aztec ruins near Chaco canon Governor Prince has unearthed twenty stone idols of a different type from any before discovered. They are circular in shape, forming disks varying from six to fifteen inches in diameter, the upper half containing a deeply carved face and the lower half rudimentary arms in relief. The idols are believed to be at least 600 years old.

The government of Holland has a project on hand to drain the Zuider Zee. It is a vast lagoon of some seven hundred square miles superficial area and is useless on account of its shallowness for purposes of navigation, while as agricultural land it is estimated to be very valuable. The cost of the dam is estimated at \$3,673,000 and of the drainage at \$13,000,000. It is estimated that thirty years will be required to complete the work.

The Great Modern Civilization. The railroad is the great civilization of modern times, and recognizing this fact the Egyptian Government is now surveying a route for the extension of its railroad along the Nile as far south as Wady Halfa. It is estimated that it will cost \$4,000,000 to build a narrow-gauge road from Girgeh to Wady Halfa, which forms the present southern frontier of Egypt. When the road reaches Wady Halfa it will not be difficult to extend it farther south to Dongola. The establishment of rapid communication between Cairo and Upper Nubia would enable the Khedive to rapidly transport an Egyptian army to the frontiers of the Sudan, and all the British officers now in Egypt believe that as soon as such an improvement is carried out the Sudan will fall again into the hands of Egypt, and without a blow.

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