

JAPS AND RUSSIANS.

Fall of Mukden. Russians In Full Retreat. Making For Tie Pass.

On March 10th the victorious Japanese army marched into the city of Mukden, Russia's greatest stronghold.

The fighting continued for ten days along a front of fourteen miles. This battle was the bloodiest fought at any time since the beginning of the war.

The latest war dispatches as published in the Dallas News say:

The Japanese Legislation at Washington have received the following:

"The armies of Shakh quarter reported up to Sunday morning the following approximate figures which are still increasing:

"Prisoners, over 40,000, including Major Gen, Nakimhoff.

"Russian corpses on the field, 26,500.

"Other Russian casualties, 90,000; trophies, two ensigns, 60 guns, 6,000 rifles, 150 ammunition wagons, 1000 army wagons, 260 shells, 25,000,000 shots for rifles, 74,000 bushels of grain, materials for light railroad for 46 miles, 300 wagons for light road, 2,000 horses, 23 Chinese carts full of maps, 1,000 Chinese carts full of clothing, 1,000,000 portions of bread, 150,000,000 lbs fuel, 223,000 bushels of horse allowances and 125,000 pounds of hay.

"From Feb. 26 to March the 12th casualties were 41,222."

Kuropatkin is now trying to win for himself the cognomen of "A Second Cincinnatus," while the Japanese General has been styled as, "A Second Napoleon."

The Russians are making for Tie Pass where they intend to make a stand. The Japanese Generals, realizing that with a little more speed they could have inflicted a crushing defeat on the Russian army after the battle of Liao Yang, determined not to again let the opportunity pass and are following after the defeated and sorely tried Russian forces.

A small portion of the Russian forces have already reached Tie Pass but the larger part is still about sixteen miles away from their goal. And the Japs, flushed with victory and strengthened with reinforcements are harassing them on every side.

The Russian Authorities have determined to continue to the war and orders have been issued for the mobilization of more troops. This may prove a difficult task with temper of the Russian people in its present condition. There is still hope in St. Petersburg that Russia can exhaust Japan's financial resources and for months there has been talk of the mobilization of an army on the Siberian border, which would compel the vast Japanese army to keep within Manchuria.

The Russian embassy officials at Paris explain Gen. Kuropatkin's retreat as being a part of a settled plan. They say the real struggle will occur at Harbin, where the Russians will concentrate large reinforcements.

The French military critics say the Japanese capture of Tieta cuts off Kuropatkin from retreating northward. They also attach much moral importance to the capture of Mukden.

Aaron Emden, who came from Russia four months ago, has received a letter from a member of the Russian Revolutionary party, saying that April 18 of the Russian calendar, or May, 1, American calendar, has been set aside as the date for a general uprising throughout all Russia. The letter says that its the intention of the revolutionists to sieze all railroads and to over run every city with mobs. Emden has heretofore received communications from Russia which have heretofore proved accurate.

Six Russians, alleged to have been members of the executive revolutionary committee, were arrested at Marseils, France. In their room were found commissions, ordering them to assassinate the Russian Grand Dukes Alexis and Vladimir. They were on the eve of their departure for Russia to carry out their orders when arrested.

Meadow Notes.

Mr. Editor: We have just gone through a wave from the northeast that cut down some of the old cows and added some to the hide trade in this neighborhood.

Mr. Dolphus Robinson is on the sick list.

Mr. J. R. Whiteley, the boss well driller, is just back from North Yoakum when he has been drilling for several weeks.

W. E. Bradshaw, A. M. Arnott and Dee Perry passed our neighborhood returning from Floyd County District Court on last Wednesday and report many dead cattle about Lubbock.

We understand that the Gomez school has suspended for a while on account of smallpox.

The weather has been so bad that ye scribe has had no chance to get any news so will close, ever wishing The Herald much success.

Respect,
Aunt Saphier

The two following articles, taken from an exchange are worthy of notice. Read them and think.

"What helps me, helps all. The thing to do is to stand together and help one another. Help the town and you help yourself. The prosperity of one is the prosperity of all. Pull down your neighbor and you hurt yourself. Put a wire across the path of progress and you break you rown neck, Jump onto the rich man and you'll be poor indeed. Oppress the poor and you'll suffer from poverty. Be hopeful, big-hearted and broad-gauged. There is nothing hurts a town the people and the business more than the presence of the narrow contracted cross between a gluepot and a vinegar barrel, who never spends a cent for his own or any other one's comfort."

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The following is the full text of the anti-cattle roping bill passed by the Texas legislature, says the Stockman and Farmer. Section 1. That any person who shall engage in any roping contest in this state shall be fined not less than \$200 nor more than \$1000. Section 2. By the term roping contest, as used in this act, is meant the roping by any persons of cattle or other live stock for practice, or for sport, for money or prizes or any thing of value or for any championship, upon the result of which any money or anything of value is to be wagered.—Big Springs Herald.

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Now is The Time.

Nature has been kind to us this year, far more so than in former years. Here-to-fore your excuse has been that there was not enough season in the ground, that spring was too late or that crops were uncertain.

You virtually have no plea this year; the season is in the ground, and down deep too, the sun will cross the line before another week is closed and continue his journey northward until after the middle of June. The days are getting warmer, and soon Mother Earth will lay aside Winter's shawl of brown and don the emerald robes of Spring.

Will she find you with the ice of winter still in your veins, will you be standing around with your coat on and your hands in your pockets waiting for a summer day. If you wait till sun pours down his fervent rays, untempered by the winds, if you wait until then to begin to make a crop, all nature will deride you. The very sod, as you turn it up, will fall in the furrow at your feet and murmur to itself, "That darn fool is planting too late." And the winds will whisper in your unheeding ear, "Too late."

There's a time to live and a time to die, there's a time to laugh and a time to cry; but it is now time to prepare for the coming crop. Nature never gives a reward until it is earned. She furnishes man with the material and gives him a chance; she doesn't do the work, nor can man work as he pleases. The beginning and end of her vocabulary is one word, "Now"

Are you aware of the fact that Time, on tireless wings, that never cease to beat, is forever moving, is never lagging and does not travel the same road twice. Time, Opportunity, Life itself are slowly, but surely passing away. Improve them, take advantage of your opportunities. No man ever became rich or great through the opportunities he may have had, but only by those that he improved. Endeavor to make your life's calendar show least of those days that record nothing save wasted time, and begin now, for today is not tomorrow, nor was yesterday today.

Man, for whom Nature holds most, sees least of her charms, nor seeks them; but stumbles through life with his head held high looking for great things, when greater things lay at his feet.

Then look down and take a look at things around you, see what condition the soil is in and take advantage of it. West Texas is gradually changing from the cowman's rule into the hands of ploughman. These great, rolling prairies that have heretofore been used as a range will soon be turned into fields of waving grain, the man who now rides after cattle must soon go further west to make room for the man with the hoe,

It's the law of progress, the history man, that after the needsman comes the plough, and these two, all other arts follow. When man first began to roam from the plains in Asia he turned his face westward, and thru successive ages he has followed the setting sun. With him he has ever carried the hoe and soon his fields and vineyards will wave a salutation from the shores of the Occident to their kind across the wide Pacific, planted by man so long ago in the land of the Orient.

It is the history of man, the law of Nature; decreed by Fate and recorded in the book of Destiny that man must derive his greatest blessings, and bread itself from the sod beneath his feet. So take advantage of the opportunities offered this year and you will be better prepared for the smiles and frowns that Dame Fortune may have in store for next year.

Put forth all your energies and make for yourself a good crop and make for Terry County a name. When you improve your own interests you help improve your neighbor's and in doing this you assist in the advancement of your town and county. So get busy—now.

You can neither retard Time nor hasten it, but you can lose it. Adapt yourself to circumstances, take advantage of every opportunity and you will not only succeed yourself but give others courage to emulate you. No man ever lived without an influence and no matter what kind of life you live, there is some one who sees in it an example,—make it a good one.

There are but few people east who know that this country will raise anything except cattle, this year is the time to show them. They will come if you do, for they are tired of boll weevils and high water. If Brownfield or Terry county is to be your home get busy, plant a crop, be an advantage to the country, make yourself known.

Mr. Bachelor, do you ever intend to marry? If you do, then get in the Band Wagon, join the Club now. Invest five dollars and get ninety-five clear.

The Hen and the Editor.

The hen scratches for a living, so does the editor. The hen hustles for a living, so does the editor. The hen hatches chickens that come to some good, most editors hatch schemes that never amount to anything. The hen presents her bill when she wants anything and usually gets it. The editor presents his bill and hardly ever gets anything. The hen has a comb which she does not use, the editor has a comb, uses it sometimes but not always. The hen has wings, the editor hasn't and never will have. The hen isn't a high flyer, the editor is—sometimes. The hen broods and raises a large family, the editor broods over how to raise the large family he already has. The hen is a rooster when she sleeps, that's queer; the editor is a queer rooster all the time; the hen crows sometime; the editor crows most all the time but no body seems to know why.—Ex.

One day a thief was brought up before the judge for stealing a bag of coal. When asked what he had done it for he answered: "Oh! just for a joke." He was asked how far he carried it. "Two miles," he replied. "That was carrying the joke too far," replied the judge; "60 days."

A Tarkio college girl had some powdered charcoal for tooth cleaning purposes near her powdering puff. When an admirer rang she was in the dark. She snatched up the puff, gave it a dab in the charcoal, passed it hastily over her face, went down stairs into the light, chatted gracefully with the young man for an hour and came back to light up and look into the glass. Her feelings may be imagined.—Western Publisher.

Personal Mention.

W. J. A. Parker was in town last Saturday.

L. P. Schooler was in town today on business.

Will Allmon paid Brownfield a visit last Monday.

J. L. Randal was a visitor in Brownfield last Monday.

C. L. Boone and wife were in town one day this week.

County Judge Copeland was in Brownfield on Wednesday.

Chas. Walker and J. R. Coble left for Lubbock Thursday.

J. R. Coble from 3 miles N. E. of town was here last Monday.

T. Deshazo, County Treasurer, was in Brownfield Thursday from Gomez.

J. C. Green, our enterprising new merchant left this week for the railroad.

Mr. Epperson from the southeast corner of the county was in town today.

Lee Perry was in town one day this week. He was just back from Floydada.

Bob Kropp was in town last Monday from his place 8 miles northeast of town.

Lynn Adams from over in the southwest corner of the county, was here Sunday.

Sam Pyeatt and Miss Dolly Pyeatt are visiting relatives in the Pride vicinity.

W. M. Howard was in town on Wednesday from his place about six miles north of here.

Judge Spencer and County Clerk Dixon, went over to Gomez for a short while Thursday evening.

The Masons meet here tomorrow night in their hall over the Brownfield Mercantile Company's store.

Mr. Riley, of Snyder, passed through Brownfield last Monday, enroute to his ranch in Yoakum county.

Floyd Pyeatt was in this week from his bonus. He is looking for horses suitable for farming purposes.

F. L. Maupin, returned from La Mesa last Thursday where he has been for the last few days on a business trip.

Mr. Abbott passed through town Thursday on his return trip from Big Springs to his place 6 miles N. W. of here.

James Kelly, representing the Fish ranch in the southern portion of the county, was in Brownfield one day this week.

County Clerk, W. T. Dixon, left Brownfield today for Big Springs and also Stanton. He expects to be gone fully a week.

County Tax Assessor was here Thursday, having just finished a trip to the northwest portion for assessing purposes. Mr. Nelson is a "go git'er" and no mistake.

Drummer Waldo, representing the Nowell Shapleigh Hardware Co. paid his regular business trip to the Brownfield Mercantile Company at this place one day during the week.

T. H. Kelly and family left for Big Springs, where Mr. Kelly intends to locate. They were accompanied by Mr. Pyeatt who will return with a load of freight for J. R. Hill of this place.

Walter Dixon and Jack Head went to Gomez last Sunday and remained at the singing that night at the Tow Hotel and never got back until late in the night. They report a most enjoyable time, which was to be expected, but we are constrained to infer, from all indications, that their voices were more often lowered in dulcet conversation with one of Gomez' fair daughters, than raised, attuned to sacred songs.

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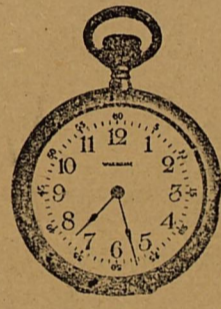
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Walter Dixon was in town a day or two during the week from Jim Smith's place, where he and Will Satterwhite are engaged in drilling a well. He says that they have struck a fine vein of water that stands in the well to a depth of seventeen feet. The Plains Country may be a little short on running surface water, but her well water can't be beat any where, and there is an inexhaustible supply of it at a moderate depth.
W. G. Hardin, member of the popular firm, The Brownfield Mercantile Company at this place, arrived from Olesza the first of the week. Mr. Hardin is well known throughout this section and his many friends are glad to welcome him back to Brownfield. Whether Mr. Hardin will remain here permanently or not is not known.

HOW BRET WERE LOOKED.

Winning Personality of the Great California Artist.
Mr. Howells gave a charming eminence of his part in the Easy Chair of Harper's, relating to a week's visit Harle paid him when the latter came East from California. Mr. Howells thus describes the author of "The Luck of Roaring Camp": "He was then, as always, a child of extreme fashion as to his clothes and the cut of his beard, which he wore in a mustache and the drooping side whiskers of the day, and his jovial physiognomy was as winning as his voice, with its straight nose and fascinating forward thrust of the under lip, its fine eyes, and good forehead, then thickly crowned with black hair which grew early white, while his mustache remained dark. . . . He was, as one could not help seeing, thickly plucked, but after the first glance one forgot this."—Pittsburg Press.

They Were Important to the Citizens.
Discover Smokeless Coal Bed.
It has been necessary for the Japanese to import smokeless coal for the use of the fleet, but a deposit of smokeless coal, underlying about 1,500 acres, has lately been discovered in Hokkaido.
Soo Canal Traffic.
A total of 4,475,965 tons of freight passed through the canals at Sault Ste. Marie during the month of October, of which 3,656,200 tons was east-bound and 819,746 tons west-bound.
Only Three Seaports.
The state of Panama has no open seaports except the two railway terminals and Bocas del Toro, the center of a large banana industry, to the north of Colon.
Ethel's Tomb.
Ethel was making her first visit to the metropolis and her eyes were big and wide with wonder at all the strange and curious things she had seen and heard. She had seen Coney, the dazzling; Brooklyn bridge, the wonderful; Central Park, the beautiful, and all the sights which her young aunt had selected for her to see. Finally they came to Grant's tomb as the last thing to be seen and remembered. Ethel stood thoughtful a few moments looking down upon the sarcophagus, then she whispered, overcome with the immense size of it all: "Auntie Claude, was he a giant?"—Boston Journal.

THE PRECAUTIONS HE
The public or give them outright to will either open their collections to Morgan, Mr. Carnegie and others. Angst declares, are an irreparable loss to Europe. He admits that Mr. Zorn's purchases nearly as large Mr. Zorn's purchases of the Mannheim home bidders. J. Piermont Morton are now buying up whole collections, like their European rivals, says, who once bought single objects of art. Rich Americans, he finds Europe of her choicest objects of art collectors are rapidly depleting their collections, declares that American art collectors are rapidly depleting their collections, declares that American art collectors are rapidly depleting their collections.

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Danger in Hunting in Winter.
It is known that a person hunting in the winter should be careful not to run the muzzle of his gun into the snow, lest the end of the bore become filled with snow and the gun burst when fired. While the snow would be almost infinitesimal in weight, it would have to start instantly into motion at the rate of perhaps a third of a mile a second, when the powder is ignited. While it may be hard to realize it, more force would probably be required to accomplish this result than the strength of the gun barrel could stand, and the barrel would rupture under the strain.

Not Afraid of Man.
On one occasion a naturalist in trying to photograph the nest of a rail stationed his camera not more than two feet away; but while he was in the act of focusing the instrument the bird fearlessly stepped into the nest and began to cover herself with the lining of soft fiber. She was photographed several times, and was then boldly lifted off the nest and carried some distance. The naturalist hastened back to the camera, but before a photograph could be had the rail was calmly seated on her eggs again.

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Philippine Coast Line.
A geographical magazine makes the statement that the Philippine islands have a coast line double that of the main part of the United States. The measurement given is 11,444 statute miles, while the total area is stated as 118,026 square miles. In the Philippines there is one mile of coast line to every ten miles of area; in the United States the proportion is one to 555. It is said that 3,000 islands and islets can be counted on the charts.

German Eat More Fish.
The inhibitory measures of Germany against the importation of American cattle and meat products have greatly advanced the price of meat in the country. In consequence of this the consumption of fresh, dried and salted fish has largely increased. A Hamburg company has opened a depot and packing houses at Matarien-Menzelen, Egypt, for the curing and shipping of eels caught in the Nile and affluents.

Temperance in Japan.
The temperance movement which began in Japan in 1873 with a society of foreign residents of Yokohama, has grown until now there are forty-six of these societies united in a national temperance league. The league represents 3,617 members. As a result of their agitation a bill has been passed prohibiting the use of tobacco by children under twenty years of age.

Unenviable Pre-eminence.
It is illustrative of the helter-skelter life in Chicago that 330 persons were killed in that city in the census year by steam cars and street cars. Chicago has a population of 1,696,575. Its comparative railroad death rate is perhaps best illustrated by the fact that in the cities of New York, Philadelphia, St. Louis, Boston, Baltimore and Cincinnati, with an aggregate population of 6,649,015, the number of persons killed by steam and street cars in the same year was 332. This shows that it is about four times as dangerous to go about in the vicinity of railway tracks in Chicago as in the other cities named.

Sense of Smell in the Aged.
Old people have an acute sense of smell, and they do not seem to be conscious of this infirmity. Even when they can scarcely distinguish one familiar odor in tea, and when they take strong smelling liquids for pure water, they assert that they enjoy the perfume of flowers. Their visual images, for they recognize the perfume of flowers when they are able to see them. The olfactory image thus has an independent intellectual existence, since it is capable of functional revival.

Feminine Attire.
It is hard to see why one thing is proper and another improper in feminine attire, why what a woman won't wear at the opera would be considered shocking in the daytime and what she wears while bathing in a mixed company would make the best police man she met on Fifth avenue speechless with amazement.
It is on record that when the dreadful balloon crinoline of the middle of the last century were abandoned there were many moralists who did not approve of the year in which the Miss Flora Phillips of the time began to show the natural curve of their figures. Dear good old days of the people with nasty minds, who pushed at the thought of having a woman of polite words that were apologetic for the fact of sex.

Buried With the Gopher.
Amos Green, a worthy colored man, who conducted a farm in the vicinity of Alachua, decided to bury his dead gopher in the yard. He conducted a farm in the vicinity of Alachua, decided to bury his dead gopher in the yard. He conducted a farm in the vicinity of Alachua, decided to bury his dead gopher in the yard.

London's Paupers.
London's social condition is distressing. Inside the so-called outer belt it has a pauper population of 107,000 souls, and this figure does not include vagrants or the insane poor. Twenty-one per cent of the entire population over sixty-five years of age, exclusive again of vagrants or insane, are paupers.
Volunteer Missionaries.
Bishop Andrews stated at a meeting held in Brooklyn that 9,000 of the young men in the colleges have volunteered for foreign mission work, of whom 3,000 are now in the field, 4,000 are preparing for the work and the others were ready if the churches would send them out.

An Aged Fire Fighter.
Henry J. Eaton, the old fire chief of Hartford, has surprised the board of commissioners and the city by asking to be retired on half pay. It seems a reasonable request from a man 72 years old, who has been a fireman for fifty-three years, and chief engineer for thirty-five, although the commissioners were extremely complimentary to him and wanted him to take back his letter, he says he has made up his mind and means it. Chief Eaton has been an interesting and very original feature in Hartford life, and he will remain that, even if his days of splendid courage and leadership are over. He comes of the old Toland family of Hattons, and the late United States Senator W. W. Eaton was a cousin.

A Curious Australian Law.
There is a curious law that is strictly enforced in Sydney and Melbourne. It is an enactment prohibiting the driver of any vehicle from passing any church of any denomination at a faster pace than a walk during the recognized hours for Sunday morning and evening service. The devotions of worshippers are thus undisturbed by needless noise and clatter. At one time Monday morning charges of failure to remember this law were not uncommon and the prescribed fines were imposed, but during recent years cases of this kind have been exceptional and practically confined to uninformed strangers. Local drivers seldom or never offend; and, in fact, the horses, by some mysterious instinct, seem to know when it is church time and "slow down" of their own accord.

The Care of the Feet.
People who suffer from tired feet may not know that a good deal of their discomfort is caused by the fact that they wear stockings that do not fit. Indeed, the fit of stockings is almost as important as that of shoes, and in order that they may fit it is necessary that they shall have a right and left to the pair.
Slow to Speed.
The progress in engineering circles in the railway engines have reached their highest possible point in the present traffic. The weight of the engine required, and the waste of energy in carrying fuel and transforming it into power seriously hamper further speed development.

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Miscellaneous Items

A little negro was asked to form a sentence out of the word, "delight," after some study he stammered out the following: "De win' blew troo de winder en blew out de light."

An editor lay dying says the Arizona Kicker, and the doctor, leaning over him remarked, "Circulation's nearly gone." The dying man, summoning all his energy shouted, "You're a liar! We've got the largest circulation in the county."

A Kansas farmer with his eyes directed towards the rafters, was saying grace when he suddenly exclaimed: "There's that darned gimlet we've been looking for these last six months. Get up there and get it quick, Jim—we ax for Christ's sake, amen!"

The Supreme Court of the U. S. has decided the case of the National Oil Company vs the State of Texas involving the anti-trust law. The State Court found the Company guilty under that law and held that it had forfeited the right to do business in the State. The case was appealed to the Supreme Court and was decided in favor of the State of Texas.

John L. Sullivan, ex-champion heavy weight pugilist of the world, is again in the ring. At Grand Rapids Michigan in the Smith Opera House he knocked out Jack McCormick in the second round with a lick on the jaw. It took ten minutes to revive McCormick, Sullivan has issued a signed statement offering to meet any off them. He says that he can stay with Jefferies or Fitzsimms for eight or ten rounds.

No less than 167 banks were chartered or organized in the south during the first six weeks of the present year with a total capitalization of \$9,093,500. Texas leads the list with 24 banks with a capitalization of \$2,340,000 capital Missonri coming next as to capital with 9 banks and \$1,650,000 capital, and Florida third, with 5 banks and capital to the amount of \$1,140,300.—Dallas News.

Congressman Dixon, of Montana, is telling the experience of a young Eastern woman, one of his constituents, who left the train at a way station in Eastern Montana one afternoon and asked the only man in the station how she could get to her destination far out in the country. "You'll have to wait for the stage in the morning," said the man. "You can't get any stage here." "But where am I?" inquired the young lady, "I'm nothing but the station, and I can't sleep on the floor." "Oh, you'll have to bunk with the station agent." "Sir!" she exclaimed, "I am a lady." "So?" the station agent said the man.

There are some brands of cigars smoked here in America that might well cause a person who does smoke them to consider his constitution to be made of stronger stuff than is ordinarily made of the human race, but the inhabitants of Burma smoke a 'stogie' that in size and composition ought to make the rankest American product in this line. It is green with envy. This cigar smoked in Burma is eight inches long and almost entirely fills the smoker's mouth.

It is made of chopped wood, tobacco, molasses and various herbs in a wrapper of bamboo fiber. It accumulates a considerable mass of fire at the light end and requires considerable skill in the smoking. But every one smokes them, men, women and children, and even babies acquire the art before they can walk. No one thinks of smoking the cigar through but after two or three puffs it is either held inside or given to some else to take a whiff or two.

Rain-making has been worked extensively by "drought-busters" in Australia.

New York's Visitors. The average number of visitors to New York city is estimated at 250,000 and their stay is ten days.

Bandanna is Indian. Bandanna is derived from an Indian word signifying to blind or to

Courage and Beauty. If women were not brave they would never face the dangers with which they are constantly threatened by doctors and others. There have been those who would have frightened them out of their corsets; others have predicted blindness from the use of spotted veils; pneumonia, by this time, would have decimated the female population if all the prophecies concerning the blouse had been fulfilled. Still, woman fearlessly follows fashion.—World.

The Largest Egg. The egg of the aepornis, just purchased for the United States National museum, is probably the largest egg in existence. It is 12 inches long and 10 inches wide, and its shell is nearly a quarter of an inch thick and as hard as a rock. Some idea of its size may perhaps be had when it is stated that it is capable of holding the contents of six ostrich eggs, or 148 hen's eggs, or 30,000 humming bird's eggs.

Largest Photograph. The largest photographic picture in existence is being exhibited in Berlin. It is about 40 feet by 5 feet, and represents a view of the Bay of Naples.

Czar's Menu Tablet. The menu card placed on the table of the Czar is printed in red letters on a pure ivory tablet, surmounted by the imperial crest and arms.

Colombian Railways. Colombia has little more than 300 miles of railway and not a mile of road has been built in ten years.

German Orchards. Germany has on an average of 809 orchard trees to the square mile.

FUTURE USES OF OLD AGE.

When Elderly People Will Do Most of the World's Work.

Our old men are going to be our future workers, if we are to credit a theory propounded in a recent work of Prof. Eli Mechnikoff, of the Pasteur Institute in Paris. He reminds us that, in the case of some of the most industrious of the lower creatures, such as ants and bees, the workers are distinct from the breeders, a third or neutral sex having been evolved by modification of one or both of the others. With man, no neutral sex has appeared, but both sexes cease the work of reproduction at a fixed period of life. This, then, is the most favorable period for work, and, when science has eliminated the intricacies of age, as Prof. Mechnikoff believes it is now able, or soon will be able, to do, the aged will be our most vigorous and efficient toilers. This is a paradoxical conclusion, and one that will hardly gain the consent of all physiologists.—Success.

Hasn't Verified It.

"I met Bikins down the street a little while ago, and I took occasion to tell the cur what I thought of him."

"So? And what did he do?"

"Oh, he swelled up right away and wanted to lick me whether or no. What do you think of that? Ha-ha!"

"I think from the looks of that black eye and swollen nose and bloody ear that perhaps he did lick you."

"Do you, really? Well, maybe he did. I haven't seen a looking glass yet."

Prize Worth Winning.

The French Grand Prix in sculpture provides the successful artist with means of support for four years in Rome or Athens.

Why Eyeball is White.

The eyeball is white because its blood vessels are so small that they do not admit the red corpuscles.

Women Merchants.

About one-tenth of the buyers in New York wholesale stores are women.

He Preached for Nothing.

The Rev. Francis Bloodgood Hall, for thirty-nine years pastor of the Peristrome Presbyterian church of Plattsburg, N. Y., and probably the most widely known clergyman in Northern New York, died the other day. He had the novel distinction of having refused any pay for his services, holding to the Biblical theory that the gospel is and should be absolutely free to all.

Discouraging Suicide.

A favorite method of suicide in Japan lately has been to leap over certain waterfalls. So frequent have such occurrences become that police are now constantly stationed in their neighborhood, and large notice boards are erected bearing inscriptions in large letters, of which the following is an example: "Do not drown yourself here! Intended suicides are warned that heaven disapproves of the utilization of Kagon waterfall for the purpose. This is certified to on the heat priest's authority, and serious consequences in the hereafter are guaranteed. To drown here is a prohibition by the perfectural authorities."

Bracing Up.

It is claimed that Boston makes the finest quality of Egyptian cigarettes, produces the choicest Italian macaroni and has altogether the best brand of the Irishman in politics.

How to Tell New Nutmegs.

New nutmegs may be distinguished from the last year's supply by scraping the surface with the finger. If new, the oil will moisten the spot at once.

Results.

We read of an Eastern author who wrote three stories in a single night—then walked out of an open window and fell four.—Atlanta Constitution.

THE CHANGES OF FASHION.

Custom of Snuff Taking Has Completely Disappeared.

Fashions are always changing. Once snuff taking was the proper thing to do; now we offer our friends a cigarette or cigar. Queen Charlotte had her snuff account. Frederick the Great took it in handfuls and smothered his clothes so badly that his valets acquired a small but comfortable income by brushing them and selling the results. Of course, the true snuff taker does not sneeze, though Sam Weller could never take it without sneezing, but perhaps he belonged to the degenerate age when tobacco and cigars were fighting their way to the front. At that period, if you wished to make a man your enemy for life the best way was to smoke a cigar while he was taking snuff or filing his box. Not so now, but perhaps the snuff taker scores, for he knows nothing of the torture a bad cigar presented by a friend or the sorrow at losing a pet pine.—Liverpool Daily Post.

New Ship-Warning System.

In the ship-warning system of Mr. C. E. Kelway, signals by Hertzian waves are sent out from the light-houses at regular intervals at the same times as the sound warnings. A vessel in range having a receiver notes the time that passes between receiving the wireless signal and the sound warning and is thus enabled to calculate its distance from the light-house, and, on repeating the observation, after continuing a few miles, data is obtained for ascertaining the exact location of the lighthouse by trigonometry. A stopwatch reading directly in distances and a special position finder have been devised for use with the system.

Spanish Pride.

Nearly one-half of the 19,000,000 population in Spain, or, to be exact 8,727,519 persons, according to the last census, declare that they have no occupation, and they are proud of the fact.

South African Education.

Prof. Hele-Shaw of the new University of Liverpool, is in South Africa to organize scientific education and prepare a university scheme for the Transvaal and Orange River Colony.

Uncountedly.

A mouse club has been formed in London with 400 lady members. Club business is probably transacted with all the members standing on chairs.—Deaver Post.

Fast Time by Freight Train.

In order to reach the port of New York with a shipment of cotton intended for Liverpool spinners, a freight train on the New York Central recently covered a 435-mile run in sixteen hours and twenty minutes.

Cause of Cancer.

Henry Morris, an Englishman who has given much attention to the subject of cancer, recently called attention to the pernicious influence of the clay pipe and the decayed tooth in causing cancerous growths.

Mutilate Corpse of "Witch."

After the death of a reputed witch some peasants of Hungary mutilated the corpse in the belief that she would otherwise reappear and suck the blood of living persons.

Mexico, D. F.

"Mexico, D. F.," as the postmark on all Mexican postal matter reads, means "Distrito Federal," or Federal District, and corresponds to our Washington, D. C.

WINDING ONE'S OWN BUSINESS.

One of the Most Excellent Rules a Person Can Follow.

To tell a man to his face to mind his own business would be considered about equal to knocking him down, or, as the Frenchman said: "Horizontalizing his perpendicularity." And yet it is one of the simplest rules of right conduct and the most useful that mankind can adopt in their intercourse with each other. There is a great deal of the Paul Pry spirit in the human heart, or wonderful inquisitiveness in regard to the personal and private affairs of friends and neighbors. This spirit makes more mischief than almost any other cause, and creates more malice, envy and jealousy than can be overcome in a century. Let every man mind his own business, and there will not be half the trouble in the world that there is at present.

Longest Letter on Record.

A former Philadelphian, who is now in business in Chicago and who has been spending a portion of his vacation with old friends here, wrote a letter the other day to a chum in the Windy City that surely breaks the record for lengthy letter-writing. He had promised to write "a good long letter," so he procured a coil of thin white tape paper, such as is used by the telegraph companies on their ticking machines, and proceeded to work, writing a single line lengthwise on the tape from the beginning clear through to the little woden center. The letter was in the neighborhood of 450 feet long.

He Held Wilkes Booth.

Albert Chase, who died at the National Soldiers' home at Togus, Me., on Saturday, was one of the numerous characters who figured in the John Wilkes Booth tragedy. He was sergeant of the guard at the navy yard bridge at Washington on the night of the murder of President Lincoln when Booth passed. Chase held Booth for some time, but as Booth gave a good account of himself, he was allowed to go. Chase received a part of the Booth reward, however.

Glacier Preserves Body.

It is stated in La Nature that the body of a Tyrolean guide who fell into a crevasse on the glacier of Grossvenediger, in the Austrian Alps, thirty years ago, has been found in a remarkable state of preservation at the foot of the glacier.

Strange Animal.

A strange animal, half tiger and half panther, has been brought back from the Congo by a Belgian and placed in the zoological gardens at Antwerp.

No Use for Firemen.

Most Mexican cities have no fire department, as they are built almost entirely of stone, with stone floors and roofs, leaving little to burn.

Tunics for Turkish Soldiers.

Fifteen thousand woolen tunics have been given by the Sultan of Turkey for the use of soldiers stationed at Adrianople and Salonika.

Paper Barrels for Wine.

Wine manufacturers in Greece, it is said, propose using barrels made of paper for their wine.

Few Golden Weddings.

Only one out of every 1,000 married couples live to celebrate their golden wedding.

Could Bear to Renew Subscription.

Here is a true story, for which we vouch: A pastor interested in maintaining the circulation of the Herald in his field asked a good woman in his congregation to renew. "I can't," she replied. "My dear mother who died last month, took it all her life and prized it very highly. I cannot renew it because it reminds me so much of my mother."—Richmond (Va.) Religious Herald.

Catholics in Mexico.

There are 10,000 Catholic churches and chapels in Mexico. Six archbishops and twenty-one bishops administer the affairs of the church. All Catholic church property in the republic of Mexico belongs to the government—since 1874, when the reform laws were enacted.

Origin of Grain Weight.

By an English law, passed in 1266, it was provided that a silver penny, called a sterling, should equal in weight thirty-two wheat grains, well dried and taken from the center of the ear. This is the origin of the grain weight.

Pointer for Housewives.

When ironing use a clean fire brick instead of the ordinary iron stand, and you will retain the heat of the iron much longer. The usual iron stand not only admits the air to the bottom of the iron, but it conducts the heat from it. The brick, being a non-conductor of heat, retains the heat in the smoothing iron much longer.

What Some People Believe.

There are probably more people in the world to-day who believe with Prof. Lowell that Mars is inhabited, and also that it will be reached some day by some kind of wireless telegraphy than there were a hundred years ago who believed that men would ever travel at the rate of thirty miles an hour.

How He Could Help.

Henry Labouchere never had a great deal of admiration for his uncle, Lord Taunton, who, on the other hand, took considerable interest in his promising nephew at the outset of the latter's career. When Labouchere first stood for parliament Lord Taunton wrote him an encouraging letter and asked if there was anything he could do to further youthful ambition. "If you would put on your peer's robes and coronet and walk down the main street of the borough arm in arm with me, it might do some good," replied the young man. "Otherwise I do not believe you could be of any use to me."

Feat in Graphology.

Henri de Parville says, in La Nature, that the expert graphologist, M. Jamin, had a test submitted to him of 150 addresses, 90 written by men and 60 by women. These addresses were shaken together as dice, and M. Jamin's selection as to sex was correct 141 times in 180.

Church Holds Wealth.

A New York church that keeps silence respecting its wealth is the Dutch Collegiate, which is reputed to have an income from investments of \$400,000 a year. Trinity church has an income from its investments of over \$1,000,000 per annum.

At the Ostrich Farm.

At the ostrich farm at Coronado it takes a bale of alfalfa hay cut up and a sack of barley to feed 53 birds. The chicks are as inquisitive as a monkey, and will snap a button off your coat if an opportunity offers. The old males are fighters and can split fence boards with a kick; but when they get real mad they lie down and twist their necks and flap their wings like a skirt dancer. Young chicks a few weeks old are worth in the market \$25 each.

WHY YOUR COFFEE IS BAD.

Perhaps It Is Spoiled by Adding the "Other Quarter."

Bridget is an excellent cook, but like most women of her profession she is opinionated and insists upon making all her dishes strictly according to her own recipes. Her mistress gives her full swing, not only as to cooking, but as to the purchase of supplies. The other day her mistress said to her: "Bridget, the coffee you are giving us is very good. What kind is it?"

"It is no kind at all, mum," said Bridget. "It's a mixer."

"How do you mix it?"

"I shake it one-quarter Mocha and one-quarter Java and one-quarter Rio."

"But that's only three-quarters. What do you put in for the other quarter?"

"I put in no other quarter at all, mum. That's where so many spoil the coffee, mum—by puttin' in another quarter."—New York Press.

THE MARRIAGE

THE MARRIAGE. The bride and groom were all named and both the bridegroom and the bride were named John and Bridget. The fathers of the bride and groom were named John and Bridget. The fathers of the bride and groom were named John and Bridget.

Unique Wedding Party.

A short time ago a wedding took place at St. Luke's church, Reddell, N. Y. The bride and groom were named John and Bridget. The fathers of the bride and groom were named John and Bridget.

The Planet Venus.

The conditions of the planet Venus are most like those of the earth, but there is a strong suspicion that Venus has no night or day, but always keeps the same side toward the sun. If this is really the case, then the sunny side is always toward the sun, and the dark side is always toward the sun. The life of such a planet would be very different from any that we know.