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Many Syrian Arab mendicants are flocking to this country. It is said that nearly 3,000 are already here, and they are coming in steadily increasing num

The Archbishop of Canterbury, the Primate of the English Church, says that one of the greatest evils by which the working classes are afflicted is the custom of early marriages.

Kerosene lamps turned down so as to burn low soon posion the air of a room. This practice should never be allowed in a house, and certainly not in sleeping rooms or sick-rooms. The New York Board of Health gives special warning against the practice.

The annual Cookery exhibition re cently opened in Paris. The finest exhibit was a composition sculptured in mutton fat and lard of the "Suicide of Vatel," the famous cook who stabbed himself because the fish was late for the dinner given by Conde to Louis XVI.

Of the 0000 Presbyterian Ministers in the United States there are not quite 600 who are disqualified by age or sick ness for regular work. These and their families receive from the general church fund an average of \$200 each a year. The purpose of the proposed \$1,000,000 fund is to double this yearly pension.

There is a wonderful brown and golden bird in Mexice a species of beemartin, that was a remarkably expert beecatcher. He has a way of ruffling u the feathers on top of his head so that his crest looks exactly like a beautiful flower. When a bee comes along to sip haney from this delusive blossom it is snapped up and devoured.

The introduction of natural gas at Pittsburgh has displaced the use of 4. 500,000 tons of coal a year. One-hall of the 50,000 houses in Pittsburgh use the natural gas for fuel and light. The capacity of the natural gas pipe lines reaching Pittsburgh is about 500,000,000 cubic feet every twenty-four hours. During the winter season all this gas is consumed, while in the summer there is

The fear that France or Germany, is the e eat of war, will attempt a rush through Belgium, has inspired the Belgians to tremendous exertlans to prevent such a calamity. The new fortification on the Meuse have been pushed, until now the builders have arrived at the second stage of construction. At the two forks of the river, to wit, at Namur and Liege, there have been crected enermous works with steel facings brist ling with guns.

The woman who kept the shop called the Hasard de Lafourchette, in Par's, where the poor resorted for most of their supplies, has just died in a small retreat. An enormous iron pot was kept condeal of water and bits of all kinds of meat, chicken, game, bones and vegeta bles, all of which had been given or bought at restaurants. For three cents you had there a chance to dive into the pot with a long iron fork, and, if lucky, were also favored with a chunk of bread, and might thus get a meal.

The British Consul at Baltimore, in ; report to his Government on the ovster fisheries of Maryland, says: "In some of the lower counties down the Chasaneak Bay, oysters pass as current money, and in one town which boas's of a weekly neawspaper a large percentage of its readers pay their subscriptions to it in oysters; thus the ed tor receives from 150 to 200 bushels of oysters yearly, which he is forced to consume in his own familv. and, as ovsters are declared by the faculty to be most efficacious in producing and increasing brain power, it is to be hoped that the subscribers to that journal get good value for their oysters.

The announcement of an "infallible remedy" for seasickness, observes the Nevy York Commercial Advertiser, ought to prove tidings of joy to a great many people who in the pursuit of business or pleasure, are compelled to experience this tribulation. The latest cure is an artificial alkaloid of great power, which, some four years ago, Doctor Knorr, of Germany, extracted from coal tar. Whether the drug is pleasant or disagreeable to the taste is not mentioned. But at it is scarcely possible for any medicine to be more nauseous than the illness it is intended to prevent, this circumstance cannot be of great import-

Carroll D. Wright, Chief of the United States Rureau of Labor Statistics, says in illustration of the inaptitude of wellinformed people to estimate properly, that a railroad President and several conservative bus ness men recently gave it as their deliberate opinion that three thousand men were out of employment in Lawrence, Massachusetts, a city of thirty thousand inhalitants. Careful search by the Board of Labor could find only three hundred men who wanted work. He also calls attention to the fact that the State Board of Charities of "cartainty, sartainty, sort may be complete that the could only say, "i'es, ye. I'll think of it."

"In results of the delivering the delivered within the month, and soo bein's we'd allers been good friends," left to each his train. Mrs. Marthous the could only smiled sortly to herself after his depart on the could only say, "i'es, ye. I'll think of it."

"The cleverness of that man in 'grind in the could only say," i'es, ye. I'll think of it."

"The cleverness of that man in 'grind in the could only say," i'es, ye. I'll think of it." in Lawrence, Massachusetts, a city of ered only one thousand one hundred. -

Ye doubts and fears that once we knew, Ye bitter words of anger born:

Ye feelings of mistrust and scorn: Against your memory we rebel -We have outlived your foolish day; No longer in our hearts you dwell-Bygones! Bygones! pass away!

Endearments fond, and pleasures past; Ye hopes of life's first building years, Ye loves that seemed too bright to last; Ye charities and words of peace, Affection's sunshine after rain;

Bygones! Bygones! come again!

SOMETHING BEHIND IT.

the walk and, turning his head, he saw through the window the venerable Dea-Whiting approach ard his slow, important knock. The

ketch him to hum, sure."
During these sentences drawled out

go. Mr. Martin's spirits rose; here was direct refutation of "Mother's" theory; here was a case of a friendly call, for frindship's sake, not for self-interest. The Peacon stood with his hand on the

Wa'al, good-day, take good keer of

Ye thoughts unkind and dee is untrue,

But oh, ye joyous smiles and tears,

Oh, never let your blessings cease

more snow on top this freeze, an' we'l have good sleighin' an' that'll make things it ely; folks kin git 'round then to town and meetin.' We had a right smart number out to meetin last Sun-day an' I sez then, after meetin, I wuz cummin to see you, an' then I heard you wuz la d up an' se : I, all the better; I'll

During these sentences drawled out deliberately, Mr. Martin had been thinking rapidly. So the Deacon had decided Sunday to c II on him, before he heard of his accident; evidently then he had ot come for the sole puspose of follow-g the in unction, "visit the sick," and horrible surp cion flitted across his not come for the sole puspose of followling the injunction, "visit the sick," and
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mnd that the Deacon hal "an ax to
grind." He could take no interest in
the rambling talk that followed, for he
expected every moment that the "ax"
would be brought forward. But no; a expected every moment that the "ax" would be brought forward. But no; a half hour passed and the Deacon rose to

The J'cacon stood with his hand on the door knob.

"Ah! I kim near furgitting my arrant." He came back and drew his chair a little nearer his friend.

"You cee, we're a tryin' to build a meetin' house out in our rayburhood, an' we can't fix on the spot fur it. Thar's a sandy rull in dake Stone's eighty acre piece, that he sex he'll give vou'l be gone. I guess I'll order now eighty acre piece, that he sex he'll give you'l be gone. I guess I'll order now, 'em. Now 'taint as good a spot as the cross-road corner in my field, but I wouldn't do to get entirely out." can't see my way to give 'em the land, and the trus 'ees sex 'seein' mine's the always glad to fill an order for you'l han'sumest spot, they'll give me a He put the book in his pocket with hun'ted dollars for it, if I'll raise fifty an order for several car-loads of iron to get a manuest to you friends. An'! I have the delicated within the cast.

fact that the State Board of Charities of

Massachusetts officially announced that
the e were sixty-two thousand tramps in
the State. An accurate census discov-

of the fire were so inviting to slumber that his head dropped back, his mouth dropped open and soon discordant sounds attested to the regularity of his breath-

attested to the regularity of his breathing.

Mrs. Martin coming in later found him thus, and was just in time to admit a tall, cadaverous Boking individual, with pants tucked in boots, a raw hide under his arm and a powerful odor of tobacco permeating all his garments. He was the owner of a saw mill on Torkey Creek, and had frequently sold lumber to the Martin Harrow Company, and thus formed the acquaistance of Mr. Martin, in a business way. This he evidently thought sufficient to allow his appearance at the house of the President of the "I—he—came up this afternoon—and".

"ies, my trade is good, too; can't anything done right he would intreaten help but be good when manufacturers these men with active service, and this have good trade. I have any number of orders on my book for this trip. I have two new enstoners right here in your Strange to say, Mr. McKay's love town," and he drew his book leisurely for his limb caused him to be from his pocket and idly run his eye down its nave.

from his pocket and idly ran his eye reduced to the rank of a private, and down its page:

"It's curious now, the difference in firms in ordering; some order six months in advance and others run as close as they dare. I was falking with the other members of the company down at the office, and they say you have about a general second or the realms of a Fourth and they say you have about a general second or the realms of a Fourth and they say you have about a general second or the realms of a Fourth second or the realms of a private, and as such he was mustered out of service.

An African King's Testimonial.

It is not often that circums "artistes" and they are the realms of a private, and as such he was mustered out of service.

"We gladly certify that you have perchough to run; I don't like to run too
low. I might as well order of you now;
we shall want the same brand as be ore."

"We gladly certify that you have performed at our Loyal Kranal, Swaziland,
on rings, poles, chairs and sticks; that
you also have played with an iron tree. "Ah-a-hadn't you better wait till you have seen the other members:"

'Didn't you order iron from him?" "Ye-e-s, but he didn't ask me to, and made.

mother hear the Descon for a farm."

Again he picked up a paper, but the silence of the room and drowsy warmth hindir."

cane for that very purpose. Just wait and see if there's not 'something behindir."

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SOMETHING BEHIND IT.

IN NORLY OF STREAMS.

"In pr. There's something behind it." Fin gold remains to mp in our of every long at ing. There's something behind it." Fin gold remains on mp in our of every long at ing. There's something behind it." Fin gold remains on mp in our of every long at ing. There's something behind it." Fin gold remains on mp in our of every long at its tot as common as it used to be. It is tot as common as it used to be. It is tot as common as it used to be. It is tot as common as it used to be. It is tot as common as it used as you do you are as to be not spann in the way of the property of the property long in the posterior of its feet on the footset, and the property of the property

The most interesting topics to Mr. corporal would not have it, and in a fit Martin were his harrow and his physical of madness the two M. D.'s turned away. appearance; six feet in his stockings, one exclaiming: "Let the fool keep it said die." At this time there was a new-n fine specimen of manhood. He was fangled cure introduced into the hospinever known to express admiration of any man unless in the words: "He's a by which a can filled with water was fine looking fe low, about my size."

Tou'd this ral'e have known thegates Grip on the rubber cioth which en say man the prairie, since when Mr. Martin had seldom seen him.

A feeling of gratified pride in his visit showed in manner and voice as he called out: "Come in," and rose, with the aid of a clumsy, home mide crutch, to which up a chair for the Deacon.

"Then't git up, don't git up, I kin help myself," and the Deacon, shaking hands very cordially, seated himself near the very cordially, seated himself near the iron trade.

any man anner about my size."

Could this val'e have known the gates of portion of the rubber cloth which can to his interest and good wit, that he so translated showed in manner and voice as he called out: "Come in," and rose, with the aid known h m in a business way some years, and many men are read by an exployed a class of men known to the members of the Grand Army as "army burnters." The were afraid to go to up the advantage he had gained, and by the front, and rather than be compelled anything done right he would almost do anything done right he would threaten 'Yes, my trade is good, too; can't anything clse. When a surgeon wanted p but be good when manufacture that the surgeon wanted

and they say you have about a month's would seem that their reception is likely supply. They don't order this trip, said to be ver, enthusiastic, sa's the St. they wanted to consult you first, for you always ordered the iron, and I'll beround a Cape Town circus recently journeyed

it is: "We gladly certify that you have per and also carried a large cannon on you back and fired it off your back in our presence. We were astonished and grati-fied at the wonderful sets that you and ber, 1887. Umbandini (his X mark),

A Close Shave for His Life, The barbers' assistants of Naples, Italy, were out on a strike. A rich Englis man arriving at a hotel ask d for a bar-ber. Being informed of the strike, but bent upon making his visits without deis more than a larber can make by slaving all day long for twelve months at Naples. It is not astonishing, therefore, that a man wes found willing to break the rales of the union and pocket one year's salary by one shave. The fact be-Mr. Martin stared. who proceeded to attack the apostate why, he ground no ax; he asked no with stilettos. He was taken to the unds. More than twenty arrests were

"Rumph!" grunted Mr. Martin, slow-ly rabbing his injured ankle and changing the position of his feet; "I'm glad the doors were all shut; I wouldn't had "Nevertheless, I am convinced he PLANTE FOUND ELOOMING IN THE

About Fifty Specimens in the Fro zen Zone-Cold Tints-Dwarfed in Growth-Norway's Barley.

Lieutenant Schwatka writes in Woman of Arctic vegetation. Among other things he remarks that an English botathings he remarks that an English botanist estimate; that the tropies have from 40,000 to 50,000 species for plants, the north temperate zone a out 27,000 species, and the Arctic gives about 1000, with some 2000 among the Alpine flora, or about 5000 species enjoying (f) an Arctic climate. Small as this cold weather the cold plants of the cold weather than the cold weather bulist went out and hitched up his team and plowed nearly half an acre before he woke up.

A hugh black fish over thirty-five feet in length was seen in the waters of the barring. The popular opinion being that the polar regions and snow-clad mountain tops are pretically devoid of vegetation. It is singular, too, that while there are 162 kinds of flowers in the Arctic regions, within the Antarctic Circle a flowering plant has never yet been found. Everything is against plant life at t at end of the earth's asletire. The weather is more severe throughout the year, and there are few tracts of land of great extent on which plant life can flourish: and we have already seen that it is well inland on large land areas where such life flourishes the best in the Arctic, where it can absorb some of the little heat that is coming down, without being chilled to death by contiguous ice fields.

But of these 762 kinds of flowering.

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But of these 762 kinds of flowering plants in the Arctic, only some 50 of them, as far as we know, or about one fifteeath, are wholly residents of that Alpine flora as compared with that of the Arctic, is a much more distinctive one, or has more species wholly its own maintained the stability of the sun, is proportion to the total number found. In proportion to the total number found.

The polar flowers seldom have any perfume and the few that exhibit this delightful quality, however feeble, are, I think, from that class that have crept over the cold border marked by the Arctic Circle; or, in short, none of the fity mention d—Esquimeau flowers we might call them in a popular way—have any spececiable ofor.

In finite of the cherry laurel increases at the rate of ninety per cent, at night and cnly tea per cent, at night and twenty per cent, in the daytime.

Had not the wife of an English papermaker accidently let a blue bay fail into any spececiable ofor.

might call them in a popular way—have any appreciable offor.

The colors of these boreal blossoms are generally of the cold tinis, as if in Farmony with the chilly surroundings, instead of the warm hurs that would break in upon the desolution with double effect by sheer contrast where so few cheering sights are to be seen. White and light yellow predominate, and these colors seem associated with frosts and cold weather, for it appears that those flowers we call "evertastings," and which are the longest to defy the nipping of the coming winter weether, are mostly tinted like the northern snows and yellow northern lights. It is in the depths of Cld Ocean that we find some of the way as as all cavity in the center of the tree made there by chipping the pine when small.

A farmer of Sumpter county. Ark, awapped his homestead of 160 acres for five acres of land, twenty bushels of popular zone. Here, within a short dis-

of course, vegetating the most in the short summer mouths.

Land plants, as already said, are pigmise compared with those of the sea, or even the corresponding class in lower latitudes, and this dwarfed condition, a naturalist tells us, is not due so much to the intense cold in the Arctic winter, as to the fat that they do not get enough warmth in summer to develop as to the 'fat that they do not get enough warmth in summer to develop them perfectly. Dr. Joseph Hooper mentions it as a rare projectly of one of the gramines (the grasses), Triestum Subspicatum, that it is the only Polar species known which is equally ag in-

to insure the next season's growth. cound and with the very first cossation William's Land, that I think the foot mal si e and is now all right could be put down and leave as impre-tion on the edge of the snow, and ormsh On Benjamin Franklin's Birthday. he Lower at the same step, while Mid-

nespected locality. There is the copyright Bill, which would free the survey grass, a rough cruciferous plant that is famous for the good it has done among explorers in that rough clime, in for which the Eeglish writer has not contend ag with the terrible disease been paid. Col. Knox concluded his which has g ven it its distinctive name. brief speech with an apt anecdote of a Barley is grown in good crops as friend, who had spent the summer in a Barley is grown in good crops as friend, who had spent the summer high as Alten in Norway, in latitude country village. One day he met a seventy degrees north, or about 250 miles colored man peddl ag strawberries. above the Arctic Circle. It is June, berries were very fine and my friend July and August in growing, and the boughtan paid for four quarts, which rapidly of this polar growth under a the colored man was to deliver at the by stating that these barley stalks have been known to grow two and a half friend reminded him of the delinquency, which in the strength of the delinquency, which was frankly acknowledged. When heat is held by little valleys this Norwegian barley, may, in favorable seasons, be ready to cut in about two months after sawing, and thus two crops secured in one summer, just us California brags of its two crops of certain growths in one scason. But what would California think of bleak Norwey as a competitor in raising three crops on the same piece to the Americans who write, the printers the place from whence comes the CSCO-brated snow-shoemen of Norway—that a certain farm known as the Triset gets the first syllable, tri (three), from the three crops once respect on the land in one season. Rye, which is not so hardy, miles above the Arctic Ciricle, and even in Sweden it is carried up to that line Barley was raised in Iceland from 870 to 1400, and then abandoned for more profitable cattle raising, but is again being cultivated to avoid famines which are sweening that had. sweeping that land.

While a heard of cattle were being driven through a piecel of woodland in Maine three bears were encountered sitting in the roadway as if walting for drove the bears before them until they animal with his horns a numer of times, least \$75,000,000 per year,

SELECT SIFTINGS.

A barrel of rice weighs 600 pounds. The first steel pen was made in 1830. A span is ten and seven-eights inches Italy signifies a country of pitch, from its yielding great quantities of black pitch.

Baltimore boasts of having a wealthy society young man who can bake bread and cook a delicious meal.

Illinois has a law prohibiting the sale

about 280, B. C.

tatoes, one sow, four pirs, five rallons of

A peculiar feature of Long Lake, in Wexford County, Michigan, is that it grains.

Nearly all of the plants of these cold grainally rises and subsides once every few years. It has been rising for the pastnial sorts, as the season is too short to give annuals the whole length of time they demand for the maturing of fruit to insure the next constraint of fruit to insure the next constraint of fruit abandon its old railway along the shore. Jim Roberts, of Hartwell, Georgia These perennials act like our hardy owns a roos er which swelled up to an spring flora by rapidly pushing their unnatural size the other day. Out of growth before the snow is all oif the curiosity Jim punctured the fowl's skin eif unnatural size the other day. Out of the curiosity Jim punctured the fowl's skin with a penkaife to find out if its great bulk were due to air beneath the skin.

At the last annual dinner of the Typo In that country, in full flower.

It is hardly to be expected that any meetid expected locality. There is the country and the state of the state of the frigid line made a plea for justice to the American, and yet both are known in this can author by passing an International mespected locality. There is the Copyright Bill, which would free the lin's birthday, Col. Thos. W. Knox, the we'l known traveller, was called on to respond to the toast of "The Author." One day he met an old ever-setting sun may be plainly shown house. They were not delivered, and by stating that these barley stalks have meeting the peddler a few days later my

n raising three crops on the same piece to the Americans who write, the printers of ground in one year! There is a tradi-tion in the province of Thelemarken— the readers who read, or should read? the place from whence comes the cele- American books. And it will be not Ryc, which is not so hardy, the Old. As a measure of honesty in in Norway for 150 to 200 paying for the works of foreign author-

were lost in the forest. One ox pureus one half the grain new fed will make all a bear for nearly a mile and tossed the the park. This would be a raving of

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THE SICILIAN VESPERS Rilence o'er sea and earth As the convent tower sent deeply forth

The chime of the vesper bell! One moment, and that solemn sound Fell on the willing ear; But a sterner echo passed around, Which the boldest shook to hear. The startled monks thronged up

In the torchlight cold and dim, And the priest let fall his incense cup, And the virgin hus'ted her hymn, And the summoning voice were heard And fretted wall and tombstone damp

To the fearful echo stirred. The peasant heard the sound. As he sat teside his hearth, And the laugh and dance were hushed around And the fireside tale of mirth. The chieftain shook in his bannered ball As the sound of war drew nigh,

And the warder shrank from the castle wall As the gleam of spears went by. Woe, woe to the stranger, then, To the objet and mailed lord! They were gathered thers, those doomed men,

To the harvest of the sword: For the wounded pride of an injured land Had burst its iron thrall,

And vengeance cried, with a blood red hand, "Woe, wee to the sons of Gaul!" Proud beings fell that hour, The young and passing fair,

And the flame went up from dome to tower— The avenger's arm was there. Then the morning sin, with a quiet smile Shone forth o'er kill and glen O'er ruined temple and dome and pile

And the ghastly forms of men. Aye, the sunshine sweetly smiled As its early glance came forth: It had no sympathy with the wild And terrible things of earth. and the man of blood that day might read,

In language freely given, How ill the dark and midnight deed

Became the light of heaven!

HUMOR OF THE DAY. Fresh helr-The new kid. Ill-fitting garments-Law suits.

A still hunt-An internal revenue raid. Why call a man a crank, when no one All men are not homeless, but some nen are home less than others.

It is not altogether strange that a beerothal should lead to a honey-moo The Signal Service is not always posted on coming rain, but when a blizzard is traveling the bureau generally gets wind

case. The father has had all the fun and the son catches most of the pain.—New York News.

gone down to Florida. He likes it so much be thinks he will stay there.—New

One of the Western ranches is owned and managed by a woman. She is probably the cow belle of the West.-

Amelia is as neat and trim As maiden well can be; In private s e is thirty-one, In public twenty-three!

Boston Budge A Michigan man has a chicken which for the purchase of it will be received from boarding house keepers .- Hotel Mail.

fisherman's harvest, Why is that?" Smith- "Because the fishermen have to plough the waves to get them,"- Intern "Yes, waiter, I am a magnetist; would you like to see me tip the table? Waiter - "No, sah; but, if it's all the same to

Jones-"Fish are spoken of as the

you, sal, tip de waiter. - New York THE CRANK,

He wouldn't when he should,
And he would when he shouldn't;
He couldn't when he would,
And he would when he couldn't "Mercy, Brilget! What's the matter with these cakes." "I dun know, mum." "They taste of soap." "Yes, mum. I couldn't find the soapstone griddle, an' so I scaped the iron one."-

Mr. Fogy—"Dreadful weather, isn't it, Mrs. 111fty? And one feels the cold so at our age, too." Mrs. Hifty—"Oh, it seems quite warm to me, I assure you. I am below freezing—30 last March, you know."—Now Haven News. The late Dr. Bethune once asked a norose and miserly man how he was getting along. The man replied: "What business is that of yours?' Eaid the loctor: "Oh, sir, I am one of those who ake an interest in the meanest of God's

creatures." Livery Man-Shall I put in one or two buffatoes?" Dude "Weil er I think if you could just let me have a horse, it would be better. You see, I have never driven a buffato, and I would be rather timid, don't you know."-

Neille tells her engagement with great pride to her brother, and concludes: "Now, don't tell any one." Brother (who does not think so well of it)—"Oh! you needn't be affaid. I'm as much ashsmed of it as you are."— Ha per's Ma azine.

"I hope I don't disturb you, madain." he said as he was squeezing past her to go out between the bets. Not at all, sir," she answered with a charming smile, in not at all. I am pleased to see you going out. My husband ky asloom nearest the theatre."—Bodys Conservations

Mrs. Meddler-"What a sad thin poor Mr. Smith's death was! People may say what they like, but I firmly believe that ast operation killed him. Now, don't you think soin Dr. muth-"Well, no, I san't say I do. perhaps I'm prejudiced—you see, I per-formed the operation."

A good stery is told of an English local preacher. He was declarating one