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THE PERFECT DAT,

ter take some of her herb tes, but he de-clined, sayin' he considered the best thing he could do was to go to bed as soon as possible. He looked up at the clock and said:

He have best all the pockeys at the fair. And as he left, a mighty strong A breath of summer lingering in the air, But yet a thought of winter in the

The drowsy buzzing of an insect's wing.
The sound of rouring river far away,
A climbing vine to which white flowe

swer my soul, is this the perfect day? A field all brilliant withgay goldenrol, A woodland gorge one in a thousand but A breezelos stillness over the deadish sod,

that he knew the way as well as I did.

"Then me and the old voman set up a little longer, and after comin' to an agreement that Sadler was sick, but dis-An i over all soft clou is, like lambs astray carce move across a lileg-golden sky.

Ah! heart of mine, is this the parfect day agresin' as to the proper remedies—she was great on herb tea, inherited it it?" asked Alice. "It seems to me that from her mother—we went to bed, too. was not very smart in him."

A hear wild-throbbing to another's beat, Two eyes which speak a million tender things, A touch of lips against a blushing cheek,

A found of spagainst a obsuing cases,
A nurmer of half-broken whisperings;
The cestacy of love, by love uncrowned;
The gentle fading of the worll away,
The loss of time and space and grief an

This, O, my soul! this is the purfect day.

Georgia B. Burer, in Outing.

ER'S DREAM.

"I heard Sadler say something just THE MERRY SIDE OF LIFE.

STORIES THAT ARD TOLD BY THE FUNNY MEN OF THE PRESS

The Waning of the Honeymoon-

Why He Came Early, Etc., Etc. Why He Came Early, Etc. Etc. Niecs — "That's papa's check for Help a man out of trouble, and though he'il \$2500. Isn't it lovely?"

Your kindness as soon as his trouble is o'er.

If ever again in a hols he should get,
Ah! then he will think of you kindly once

"I told him I thought it was just about that time, and I fit a caedle and gave it him, and he went upstairs by himself; for he'd been there so often that he knew the way as well as I did. my house to avoid suspicion. But the meanest part was him tryin' to fix the blame on his clerk." She—"It was right here that I accepted you, John. Had you forgotten?"
He—"My dear, there are some things I can neither forget nor forgive."—Black

NO TIME TO LOSE.

to merry.'

"Sadler had the room just above the kitchen, and there was a board partition between his room and ours, which isn't a very good thing to stop noise, you must opine. I laid there, a countin' the sheep jumpin' the fence, which is a mighty good occupation in case you've any distractin' thought on your mind and you want to drop asleep, and I could hear Sadler tossin' around on his creaky bed. Finally I went to sleep, the sheep still a jumpin', and Sadler still a tossin'. "About three o'clock in the moring I was awakened by some one knockin' is now up in Dakata, havin' probably

"Is that so?" "Yes; two doctors in the house at the same time."-Life.

"Have though; been pretty close to

NOT A PLIABLE THING.

Ethel—"I don't want to break our engagement, Harold."

Harold—"Possibly you don't but you are bound to do it, if you keep on trying to bend it around, so you can take in every good looking fellow that comes along."—Detroit Free Press.

sprung a bed of onions. I am going on with my sleep."
"But," says Pat, "you don't undetstand my meaning. There's a big hole in the side of the ship and the water is coming in fast."
"Sure, then," says Mike, "put a hole in the other side and let it out again; I

Lady-"And what does your father

Little Girl—"Oh, papa ls a doctor."
Lady—"Indeed! I suppose he pracces a great deal, does he mot?" Little Girl-"Oh, no; he doesn't practice any more. He knows how now,"
-Southrou.

RELIABLE. Ethel—"I heard last night that George was head over heels in love with m:." Mrs. Knox —"You can't believe all you

Ethel-"No, but I shouldn't wonder If there was something in it."

Mrs. Knox—"Who told you?"

Ethel—"He did."—Truth.

Mother (sitting down just as the train starts)— 'Oh, would you mind changing sents with me, sirl My baby wants to look out of the window."

Mr. Haven Hartford (with sarcastic your rather, or, go fishing) Have the sents with me, sirl My baby wants to look out of the window."

Mr. Haven Bartford (with sarcastic politeness) - "With pleasure, madam. I have been saving this seat for him for half an hour."-Life,

AN UNENOWN INGREDIENT. Clerk in esting house (reading news-paper)—"Here's a nice receipt for mak-ing chicken pie."

Propriete:—"Let's hear it."

Clerk "One chicker..."

Proprietor -"That the fellow who wrote that doesn't know anything about cooking."—Buston Tran-

ON GUARD.

Stern Father-"Are you in earnest, Suitor—"I guess I am. Pawned my other day, watch to buy the ring."

you with this timepiece, so that you can is little mercy for the culprit—only stern note the hours when you call, -New justice for justice's sake—and the con-

DELAYED SOLICITUDE. Mr. Golightly - "Where were you

was called on for a speech."

A LETTLE EPICHRE. Lily-"Piease let me have some in the spectacle is lost sight of, Yes, my dear, and here is or you too, Minnie."

is the matter.

reedily at Minnie's plate

Niece (showing the wedding presents to Uncle George)—"I wanted you to see them all, dear Uncle George, so that won't send a duplicate. Duplicate wedding presents are so very aunoying.

Uncle George-"H'm! What's this?" Uncle George—"Yery, I intended to send the same thing; but rather than annoy you with a duplicate present I'll send you \$500."—Tid Bits.

AN INEXPERIENCED YOUTH. Married Man-"And you are engaged

to Miss Blankie?" Young Friend, "Yes. I watched her a whole day on a railroad train, and became so interested in her that I fol-lowed her up, got an introduction, and now we are to be married." "Was she traveling alone?"

He-"They tell me you never expect ber kindness to ber mother is what cap-"No, she was with her mother. tured me."

She—"Indeed I de."

He—"Well, your father's got to make an awful lot of maners in an awfully short time, then."—Truth.

"But, gee Willikins, old man, she'll go on being kind to her mother."—New York Weekly.

BOUND TO HAVE HIS SLEEP OUT. "I hadn't heard that you'd been ill, ployed as seamen on a sailing versel, who mithson." Pat and Mike were two brothers em

It was Pat's watch on deck when the ship struck a rock, eausing her to leak badly. Pat was therefore sent below to

had sprung a leav.
"I don't care," says Mike, if she has sprung a bed of onions. I am going on

in the other side and let it out again; I am going on with my sleep."—Mercury.

"Jeptha," said Mrs. Jones, "I want

85 to buy a wrinkle remover."

'A what' gasped Mr. Jones.

''A wrinkle remover—something that takes out wrinkles."

"Maris," said Mr. Jones solemniy, "let me look at you." So Mrs. J. faced around and Jeptha bent the whole power of his eagle vision upon her face. "They are plain enough," said Mrs.

mouth make me look as old as Methuse "Maris," said Mr. Jones, "pause, before you do anything rash-"
"It isn't rash, it's wrinkles."

"Don't interrupt me, Mrs. Jones. In the first place, do you know what those

world think you never had any dimples, or proudly wear those records of past beauty, that was bewitching and incom-parable -which?"

"Well, it's the lady or the tiger," -guess-I'll keep the wrinkles." And as Jones walked off triumphantly

he murmured, sotto voce: "Another fiver saved, by gracious, ugh a little diplomacy."-Detroit

The Way Mexico Treats Baudit . "It is a good thing for Messrs. Evans

and Sontag that their little ecesni robbing were not indulged in Mexican territory," said a Mexican resident the other day. "The penalty for their kind of peccadilles in Mexico is el fusitamien-Stern Father (releating) -"Very well, to—the fusilisde—and it is seldom that ir. But you will allow me to present a miscarriage of justice occurs. There sequence is an almost absolute freedom have recently done incalculable injury to California. Mexican laws are rigid in this regard. The only court is a mere Mr. Canesucker—"I was at Clam. handful of daring and dashing fellows—celebrating his diamond wedding and I of the sister Republic. These same Rurwas called on for a speech." was called on for a speech."

"What did you say?"

"Oh, nothing in particular. I merely expressed the hope that they would get along logether. —Texas Siftings.

"It was to supply the rough vastest solitules of the Sierra Macres, never knowing lear nor what it is to give up a chase. Usually they cap-

> "Whatever there may be of grimness it is military law that speaks and acts for Rurales traveled for the prisoner Le is taken back, in accounting with the laws of Mexico, to the second his crime, and there his file is sunfied out in explation.

"The Burales, it may be a squad, or a platoon, or a troop, sit in judgment ever their decision, and if it be guilty, szir por lar armas -to pass the light of day from

CHRISTOPHER COLUMBUS.

WHY HE BELIEVED THERE WAS AN UNDISCOVERED COUNTRY.

Evidence Which He Unearthed That by Sailing Westward From Europe Land Would be Reached OLUMBUS it seems proba

ble, first reached the conclusion that land lay west of Europe shortly after his marriage to Donna Felipa, the daughter of Palestrello. This union was a happy one for him, for it brought him into associations that stimulated his ambitious as a navigator; and to it, perhaps, in no small measure his success was due. His wite was the daughter of one of the most distinguished captains who had served under Prince Henry of Portugal. He had discovered the islands of Porto Santo and Maderia, and had settled colonies on them. At his death, which ocdaughter, he left a large number of notes, maps, and manuscripts. These came into the hands of Columbus, who carefully studied them, and found out from them the routes the Portuguese had followed in their voyages, and the plans they had adopted in searching for the route to India.

Columbus soon formed an opinion that Asia might be reached by a more lirect way than the Portugueso were trying to follow, that is, by sailing directly west across the Atlantic. He was not content to hold this opinion as a mere theory, as some learned men before him had done;

but, on every side, he sought evidence It is interesting at the present day to follow, as well as we can, the growth of this idea in the mind of Columbus from

came so firmly fixed in his thoughts that the desire of his life was to test its truth. We will accordingly take a brief glance at some of the evidence to which he

We find he believed the earth was a globe, and he was acquainted with the calculations that had been made in regard to its magnitule. The estimates made of its size differed considerably. Columbus adopted one that made the earth much smaller than it walls it. But earth much smaller than it really is. But even upon his view of the earth's surface Europe, Asia and Africa, as far as known, formed only a small part of it. What, then, lay beyond the Atlantic! Was there no opposite shore! Columbus

believed the ocean was hemmed in by land. The theory that the earth was spherical was sufficient to suggest this idea to him. His knowledge of geography made him think the land on the other side would belong to Asia.

He looked into the evidence which

had come from ancient times to support the opinion that land could be found west of Europe. It was a known fact that the Carthaginians had ventured a little way out in the Atlantic. They had discovered the Canary Isles, and perhaps also the Madeira Islands and the

Columbus did not pay much attention to the myths that had come down from those of the brown sponges are red, ancient times, nor to those that were value to him only because they showed that from a very early period in the world's history the opi on had been held that the Atlantic was not simply s

waste of waters with no western sho But his belief in the existence of western lands was greatly strengthened by evidence the waves themselves gave in bringing drift-wood and other strange objects to the shores of Europe. This evidence he eagerly collected from sailors who returned from long voyages, and from the inhabitants of the Atlantic

His brother-in-law, Podro Correa, had himself seen something which bore sig-nificant testimony. He had picked up upon the coast of the Island of Madeira a fragment of wood that showed signs of having come from a strange country It was carved in a most singular manner and it was evident, too, that no instru-ment of iron had been used to fashion it. A pilot, Mertin Vincent, courageously

done. Before his return, he had seen floating upon the waves a similar piece of wood, which was driven to him by s trong western wind.

The inhabitants of the Azores stated

that pine trees, unlike any they had seen, and been cast upon their shores when the wind blew from the west. From the same direction great reeds also, like those which were known to grow in the East Indies, had come to their islands. But the most remarkable incident of all was the fact that the bodies of two men had been brought by the weves to the island of Fiores. The men had strange features, and were, in appearance, altogether unlike any men known

Such indications as these had much influence upon the thougatful mind of Columbus. He became convinced that west of Europe there was an undiscovSCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL.

A doctor has launched the theory that the best method of inducing a flow of thought is to lay the head flat on the table.

Dr. David D. Stewart, of Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, claims to have discovered that hydronapthol is a cure for cholera.

There are ten places of the earth, distant from each other 300 miles and upwards, and yet none of the ten has either latitude or longitude.

Londoners seriously discuss the advantages of placing a school of crocodiles in the Thames, to act as scavengers, and thus purify the water.

Carl Voght, the celebrated German anatomist, is responsible for the theory that small-headed idiots are a retrograde

movement toward the monkey type A post-morten examination of the brain of a Missouri pauper showed that

it weighed 144 ounces, or more than three times the weight of the normal brain.

A microphone device has been invent-ed by a Frenchman which will reveal the approach of distant vessels by making audible the noise produced by the motion of their recombines. of their propellers.

The latest cure for obsaity is to par take of only a single dish at a meal. This, it is said, will in a few weeks reduce the weight of the most son to a normal condition.

If a man who weighs 168 pounds were proportionately as strong as a fly-ing beetle of the cockchafer family he would be able to push slong level ground a weight equal to 131 tons.

Chemical action formed a stone in the stomach of La Marshale, the famous hurdle jumping horse of Paris. He died, and the stone, a ball nearly eight inches in diameter, is in the mu-

It is suggested that the muscular contraction to which the corpses of cholera victims are subject might give a clue to the real nature of the disease. These twitchings have led to the delusion that many patients have been buried alive.

Aside from the honey stored by the State from the honey stored by the busy bee the Rhode Island Experiment Station expresses the belief that the in-fluence bees and insects exert in the proper fertilization of the flowers of truits and vegetables is of far greater importance than is generally allowed.

Fossil remains of the huge animals that inhabited the plains of Eastern Ore-gon hundreds of years ago are found in the placer mine above Prairie City. crown was picked up a few days ago, while early in the summer the skuli of some ancient species of animal was found near the same place.

The color of certain shrimps and crabs known to vary greatly with the sur-roundings. Those living in green sponges are much larger, lay vastly more eggs, which are also a little larger, and the shrimps are green or yellow, and the large claws are always orange red, while

For all kinds of metals mix half a pint of sweet oil with half a gill of turpen-tine; stir into this powdered rotten use in the ordinary way. three pints of water put one ounce of ittic acid, two ounces of emery powder and eight ounces of powdered pumice it stone; mix well and use with a flannel, letting the mixture dry on the article to be c'eaned; then polish with leather

A Railroad Toboggan for Mu'e'.

'One of the queerest railoads any where in the country," said Rev. D. S. Banks, of North Cotario, "is a novel line that runs from South Ontario up to North Ontario, in San Bernardino County, California, where I live. The line is seven miles long. A span of stout mules draw the car up over the road. There is nothing singular about that, but it comes in on the return trip

"The seven railes are on a tilt all the way, although the track does not look like it. So when the car starts back the mules get on and take a ride, the car booming over the whole line by gravity. The mules enjoy it, too. They ride there in as self-satisfied a way as any other passengers, and the view seems equally as charming. North Onmouth of San Antonio canyt out the are a lot of magnificent mounta are a lot of magnificent me there. One colony, for they can there. One colony, for they ly be called towns, is situated on Santa Fe road and the other santa Pacific. It is the Southern Pacific. It is seven tailes of street railway that nect the two.

"The way they get the mules abour is this: There is a little truck under the car, and it is pulled out, becoming an adjunct to the regular passenger de partment. The moment the truck is slid out the intelligent animals make a ered country, which he thought would prove to be the eastern part of Asia. —

St. Nicholat.

Start for it and the way they do it, and the way they enjoy this ride, and the way they enjoy this ride, and the way they enjoy this ride, and the way they are great favorites with the people.

t think I've seen a ghost.
collect what I told you last
hy feelin' that something was
appen? Well, it's about that. happen? Well, it's about that.

ad a dream, and it 's one of the
that's sure to be true. Not that
medical certain—not that I'm deal cer-

tale, he said, sort of excited, 'but this dream has come on me so powerful strong ad into startling it I must go back to Newburg right away, to see if my store is still standing. I dreamed that somehow my store caught fire, and is this very minute burning up, with all my goods. with all my goods.'
"Pshaw!' I said. 'What's the use of

was awakened by some one knocking the door of my room. I got up to hait was, and there stood Sudler,

horrible exice exclaimed

Take my advice, go back to bed, count
sheep, and before you know it you'll be
fast asleep, with your store still standing
and your store all golt. You're not
the matter with you
as good, you'd laugh at
cared by a dream.'
uldn't be convinced,

to town, a mathim so obstitute, and fearing weak condition he might get on the road, I decided to ride sim, especially as were was

cut by the old ridge road, and

of Badier's stere. hat ever was made, I consider.

owd had gathered, but the loor was open and there was As we came e saw us and said:

e gooe up.

man!' said I

Dr. Louis Robinson, the ingenious I me what's man of science who experimented with bebies in a London workhouse in order to prove their descent from monkeys, has a very interesting article in the Contem-porary Review entitled "Canine Morals and Manners." It practically comes to this, that the dog speaks with its tril-Dr. Robison says: "In the case of

out, and to the best of my knowledge he is now up in Dakata, havin' probably stopped dreaming, since his first dream was unsuccessful, though it came out

about as true as dreams generally do."
Whether Uncle Ben had intended his

story to be an antidote for the depress-ing effect of the previous marrations or not, at least such was its consequence, and we sil to lighter hearted after hear

Dogs and Their Tails.

lug it .- Boston Transcript.

"But why did he tell you he dreame

Dr. Robison says: "In the case of all hunting dogs, such as foxhounds, or wolves which pack together, the tail is carried aloft, and is very free in movement. It is also frequently rendered more coarpieuous by the tip being white, and this is almost invariably the case when the bounds are of mixed color. When ranging the long grass of the prairie or jungle the raised tips of the talls would often be all that an individual member of the band would see of his fellows. There is no doubt that hos front of them when drawing a cover-If a faint drag is detected suggestive of the presence of a fox, but scarcely suf-ficient to be sworn to vocally, the tail of the finder is at once set in motion, and the mader is at once set in motion, and the warmer the scent the quicker does it wag. Others seeing the signal instantly join the first, and there is an assemblage of waving talls before even the least whimper is heard. Should the drag prove a doubtful one the hounds separate again, and the waving ceases, but if it grows stronger when followed up, the wagging becomes more and more embegin to whine said give tongue and stream off in Indian file along the line

of scent. When the pack is at full cry upon a strong scent the talls cease to wave, but are carried aloft in full view." The moment when the dog most enme. That moment is the time that he wags his tail most vigorously, in order to announce his discovery to his fellow dogs. In this way, by the habit of as sociation, he got to wagging his tal warnings he was pleased, and the more pleased he is the more vigorously he wags his talk so that the wagging of the

dog's fail, under the laffuence of pleasure time when the dog used his tail as a York Advertiser.

most of it for you. If it
for the doctor, the whole are earen every day by the residents of tor, the whole are eaten every day by the residents of the gay French capital, the small market being the busiest industrial mert in Paris. Une "snailery" in the Province of Dijos

or his face was white k I need a doctor, ' sald

ock and said:

""Why, I hadn't no idea it was that suspicion came in.

""Well, the sheriff told me just about "Well, the sheriff told me just about to have ""Well, the sheriff told me just about the sheriff told me ju

late! Ten o'clock: I ought to have been in bed an hour ago. We mut have been sittin here two hours at least. It ton that it looked like a case of—what

was just eight, wasn't it, when I come do you ca'll it incen lerism. I told him here!'