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The sea is the largest of all cemeteries, and its numbers sleep without monuments.

The following anecdote is related of the Russian Emperor, Nicholas, father of the reigning Czar, whose fondness for the stage and artists led him to institute the Theatre Francais at Petersburg. He always treated the actors with great kindness, almost bordering on timidity. The Emperor often took long strolls with his favorites, and to prevent troubling the tranquility of his promenade, it was strictly forbidden to address a word or present a petition to him under pain of a fine or imprisonment.

The accuracy of the following may be relied on in all its particulars. Two ladies, sisters, had been for several days in attendance upon their brother, who was ill of a common sore throat, severe, and protracted, but not considered as attended with any danger. At the same time, one of them had borrowed a watch from a female friend, in consequence of her own being under repair.

The statistics of suicides in France for the year 1876 have just been printed. From the figures it appears that during the past year 5,617 persons put an end to their existence in that country. Of these 1,126 were males and 1,182 females. The methods employed for the destruction of human life were, of course, various—poison, no fewer than 3,753 people having killed themselves by means of the r.p.e. Drowning came next on the list, numbering 1,614 victims; 895 destroyed themselves by firearms, 407 by the fumes of charcoal, 129 by poison, 154 threw themselves off public buildings, 31 threw themselves under railway trains, 18 died of "internal combustion," produced by the fumes of liquors, 1 threw himself into the fire.

Near Columbus, Ohio, an enterprising farmer Snyder has established a new industry in the manufacture of human skeletons. There had for a long time been a mystery about Snyder's little factory, which was located in a secluded spot on his farm.

In a recent lecture in Edinburgh on "The Stars," Prof. Grant said that a railway train, travelling day and night fifty miles per hour, would reach the moon in six months, the sun in two hundred years, and Alpha Centauris, the nearest of the fixed stars, in forty two millions of years; a cannon ball, travelling nine hundred miles per hour, in 2,700,000 years; and light, travelling 185,000 miles per second, in three years.

The Boston Daily Advertiser says: Iron shipbuilding has developed rapidly since it began in this country in 1828. A statement of the Register of the Treasury, it appears that there have been built in the United States, for American owners, 512 vessels of all kinds, with a total tonnage of 197,500 tons. All but 57 were over 100 tons, and 80 were over 1,000 tons.

London is the greatest city the world ever saw. It is the heart of the British empire and the world. It covers within the fifteen miles radius of Charing Cross nearly seven hundred square miles. It has a population of 3,000,000 inhabitants. It comprises 100,000 foreigners from every quarter of the globe. It contains more Roman Catholics than Rome itself, more Jews than the whole of Palestine, more Irish than Dublin, more Scotchmen than Edinburgh, more Welshmen than Cardiff, and more country-born persons than the counties of Devon, Warwickshire and Lancashire.

There was, perhaps, never a time in the history of letters when literary men met with as much reward and patronage as during the reign of William III. and Anne. The writers of this period were admitted into the most distinguished society and rewarded with the highest offices in the State.

At Modena, in Italy, within a circle of four miles around the city, when the earth is dug and the workmen arrived at the distance of sixty-three feet, they reach a bed of chalk, which they bore with an auger, five feet deep. They then withdraw from the pit before the auger is removed, and upon its retraction the water bursts up with great violence, and quickly fills the wells thus made, the supply of water being neither affected by rain or drought.

Potatoes of large size are said to be produced by a monk in France by cutting two side shoots from each stalk when it is from five to seven inches high, and setting them in garden rich, mellow garden soil. In a few days they send out roots and in two weeks about as early and in as large quantities as the original stalk, while the latter does not seem to be injured by the moderate pruning.

An attempt was made to wreck a passenger train on the Boston, Barre and Gardner Railroad, near Waltham, Mass., a short time ago. A stone weighing over three hundred pounds was placed on the track. The engine struck it while going twenty miles an hour, and the train passed over without going from the track. The passengers were considerably shaken up, but no one was injured.

A story is told of a venerable negro in Iowa who was on trial for an offense against the State. When the case was announced in the court, "The State versus Sampson Caesar," the aged African exclaimed: "What de whole State of Iowa agin dis nigger! Den I surrender."

Despite his grave character, Frederick the Great, an occasional joke, provided it were well timed with malice. On one occasion, Voltaire, according to a previous appointment, came to read a poem in manuscript for his approval.

The king, meantime seated behind a screen in the same room a man of wonderful memory, who had the gift of repeating any composition, however long to which he had once listened.

Age, when whitened for the tomb, is a worthy object of reverence. The passions have ceased—hopes of self have ceased. The old linger with the young, and oh, how careful should the young be to reward them with tender affection, the warmest love to diminish the chill of old age!

Edenburg is a new village—it calls itself a city—in the oil region of Pennsylvania. The 3,000 inhabitants live in houses that have neither lath nor plaster; and altogether the place is like those that grow suddenly in Western mining districts.

An anecdote (says D'Obsonville) illustrative of its animal abandoning its artificial for its natural being, when once it has learned what it is, may be told of a tame reindeer, which I kept and fed with milk.

Russian railroads date back to 1838. The first line opened was from St. Petersburg to Zarskoe-Selo and Pawlowsk. The road from Warsaw to the Austrian frontier was built immediately afterward, and then the line from St. Petersburg to Moscow.

Another wonder has been discovered in California. The water of Deep Spring Valley Lake is charged with borax, and ducks, which at certain seasons visit the lake in great numbers, become so loaded down with crystallizations as to be unable to fly, and fall an easy prey to the Indians, who pick them from the water by the hand.

Owing, presumably, to the abnormal warmth of the past winter in Europe, millions of young fish about an inch long made their appearance on the coast of Cornwall, England, in February, which do not ordinarily appear until months later, and their appearance seems to have brought down the mackerel who are not ordinarily due until June.

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Why is a sawyer like a lawyer? Because whichever way he goes, down comes the dust. Why are washwomen silly people? Because they put out their tubs to catch salt water when it rains hard.

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