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Climate Is One of the Most Important Factors In Determining the Length of Life. Ireland, Great Britain, California and Virginia-Effect of False Teeth.

Whether a human being or any other animal lives eight times the number of years it takes to grow or only five times as long is a point not yet determined. Some writers argue that a man grows till he is 25. Therefore, as Hufeland urged, he has the possibility of extending his life to 200 years if he lived properly, as nature dictates Modern theories incline to the other rule that on the average one grows to the age of 20, and five times the period | like the grinning of two skulls there in of growth is the limit of human endurance, no matter how carefully one lives. This theory will apply to horses, dogs, cats, and, in fact, to almost all kinds of brutes one has opportunities of studying. When Thomas Parr's body was opened at his death, in his one hundred and fifty second year, the state of the organs on which longevity most depends was found so perfect that it is stated he might have and thus subjected to a complete change of diet and all the excitement of the new

Climate is supposed by many to have gret influence upon human life. Scotland and England as well as Ireland have pro duced some remarkable specimens of long livers. In fact, islands seem to be favored in respect to longevity. France, Spain and Italy have not furnished many specimens of centenarians, while Greece is still famous as it was formerly. Too great a degree of cold is prejudicial to length of life, as in Iceland and parts of northern git killed." Siberia it is not usual to meet people of more than 60 or 70 years of age, though in moderately cold countries life is long. Between the years 1838 and 1844 there died in England 788 persons of 100 years and upward. Of these 532 were women and 256 men. Of this list only 72 were from London, while 137 were from Wales, showing, as all statistics seem to prove that city life is unfavorable to length of years, while the country and small towns produce those who attain to extreme old snarling of two wolves. age. Germany and Holland contain many old people, but produce few instances of extreme long life as in Great Britain. If a person desires to live to be 100 or

150 years of age, southern California, near Los Angeles or San Diego or somewhere in that vicinity, has advantages of climate that may be most favorable to a long, calm, happy life. A temperature that never changes suddenly to great extremes is surely best for the body, and a condition of the elements that permits one to live a great deal in the open air, to sit by

Stangely satante smiles and extrangely standers with the pale g lamps.—McClure's Magazine.

AN ACCIDENTAL RIDE

The Remarkable Second Read open windows even when not out of doors, to lounge on open verandas and to dispense with close, heated rooms is the ideal climate for the determined philosophical centenarian. Too great moisture as well writes Christopher L. Ward of Wilming as too much dayness is unfavorable to ton, Del., "I sent them the following origlong life, while a moderate degree of moisture is conducive to longevity. Islands like Great Britain and Ireland prove this to be true by the long list of people they produce of a century and upward. It has been charged by the English that Irish women often exaggerate their ages, but if they have documentary evidence one must believe them. Among Americans, however, most of the very old people have een born in Virginia, and though they did not always remain there they laid the foundation of a good, lasting constitution

But, no matter where a man was born, the closer he follows nature, the more he lives in the clean, open air and sleeps in it also, the less medicine he takes, and the fewer doctors' bills he pays. Modern life is too full of luxury, dissipation, corruption and vice to produce many men of even 100 years of age. The higher the pressure the shorter the duration of existence. Moderation in everything—mode of living, temper, food, exercise and pleasure— is the true method of preserving good health and prolonging life. If you think it is too much trouble, then go on indulg ing in your excesses, mental and physical, taking your drugs and lying in bed with the knocker or bell tied up and muffled and thanking the doctor if there is not black crape on the door.

A large number of centenarians whose cases have been examined and reported upon appear to have lost, some of them all and some of them nearly all, their teeth Sir Henry Thompson thinks that the use of false teeth is injurious to the old folks, as they are led astray and apt to eat more than can be digested properly. The sys tem in such subjects instead of requiring more nourishment to keep it up than in the middle aged and young really requireless. Excess would therefore be injurious as it gives the organs too much to do, just as so many persons take up some fad, as drinking hot water or cold water, to ex

Nature's rule is in all cases best. Only drink when you are thirsty and only enough to satisfy the thirst. Expelling surplus water from the system merely adds to the work of the organs without affording any real compensating advantages. Dumb animals even know better than to do such things. But, then, they do not have any doctor but old Mother Nature, who prescribes by instinct. As to the false teeth, however, it is stated by Bir Richard Owen that they help mastica tion, as of course they do, and therefore assist digestion and assimilation. Lord Brougham, who died at 89, and Lord Lyndhurst, who lived to the age of 91. both agree with Sir Richard against Sir Henry. Three to one, and the three no! theorizing, but speaking from experience Therefore in the great question, false teetl or false theory, the point must be decided in favor of the former.—Chicago Tribune

M. Carnot and the American Boy. One of M. Carnot's most amiable traits and one which he shared with Mr. Glad stone, was a habit of "tipping" school boys on almost every available occasion. A friend of mine once saw him in the waiting room of a French railway station carrying on an amusing conversation with a small American boy, whom he had casu ally met there, who was minding his sis ter's luggage. The boy, after the manner of American youths, was charmingly can did in his remarks and informed M. k President that he didn't care for French men, adding, "they want the earth," an American colloquialism which convulsed M. Carnot. When they parted, he patted the boy on the head and gave him a gold coin, which young America accepted with the remark that he "guessed he'd go and make himself miserable," thus giving the president further food for merriment.—London Figure.

Suggestion to the Singers. When Judge Charles Levi Woodbury requested the assembled guests at a New Hampshire summer resort to unite in singing "The Star Spangled Banner" one Fourth of July, he remarked that it would add to the harmony of the occasion i those who knew how to sing would sing high, and these who didn't know how to sing would sing low. The general practice in congregational singing is the reverse of this.—Boston Herald.

Lincoln's Fame.

Nothing better shows how the name of Abraham Lincoln is engraved on the hearts ters this prejudice is gradually diminish-BANQUET AND TABLE LAMPS of his countrymen as the best type of the ing statistics abundantly prove. About new world race of freemen than the fact that nowadays, when a man flies who was happy enough to be a friend of the great martyr, that fact alone suffices to spread his obituary notice through the newspapers over the whole land .- Boston Tran-

Hard. Nothing hurts a boy's feelings more than to net smart in front of a girl who is staying all night with his sister and then get whipped for it in her presence.—Atch ison Globe.

A window cord is a good barometer. When it tightens, the reason is found in the fact that the air is full of moisture and rain is probable.

DOWN IN A COAL MINE.

Lights and Shadows, Jests and Snarls Among the Black Diamonds. All at once, far ahead, shone a little flame, blurred and difficult of location. It was a tiny, indefinite thing, like a wisp light. We seemed to be looking at it through a great fog. Presently there were two of them. They began to move to and fro and dance before us.

After a time we came upon two men crouching where the roof of the passage came near to meeting the floor. If the picture could have been brought to where t would have had the opposition and the contrast of the glorious summer time earth, it would have been a grim and ghastly thing. The garments of the men were no more sable than their faces, and when they turned their heads to regard our tramping party their eyeballs and teeth shone white as bleached bones. It was the shadows. The tiny lamps in their hats made a trembling light that left weirdly shrouded the movements of their limbs and bodies. We might have been confronting terrible specters. But they said, "Hello, Jim," to our conductor. Their mouths expanded in smiles-wide and startling smiles.

In a moment they turned again to their work. When the lights of our party relived much longer if he had remained in Inforced their two lamps, we could see his country home instead of being brought | that one was busily drilling into the coal up to London to be shown to the king with a long, thin bar. The low roof ominously pressed his shoulders as he bent at his toil. The other knelt behind him on the loose lumps of coal. He who worked at the drill engaged in conversation with our guide. He looked back over his shoulder, continuing to

poke away. "When are yeh goin t' measnre this up, Jim?" he demanded. "Do yeh wanta git me killed?" "Well, I'd measure it up today, on'y I ain't got me tape," replied the other. "Well, when will yeh? Yeh wanta hur-

ry up," said the miner. "I don't wanta "Oh, I'll be down on Monda'." "Hump!"

They engaged in a sort of altereation in which they made jests. "You'll be carried out o' here feet first before long.'

Yet one had to look closely to under stand_that they were not about to spring at each other's throats. The vague illumination created all the effects of the We came upon other little low roofed

chambers, each containing two men-a "miner," who makes the blasts, and his "laborer," who leads the coal upon the cars and assists the miner generally. And at each place there was this same effect of strangely satanic smiles and eyeballs wild and glittering in the pale glow of the

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Colonel Oates' Romince. Colonel William C. Oates of Alabama entered the Confederate army in 1861 as a captain and came out as a colonel. It is said that he got shot worse than anybody who lived. He was six times severely wounded, once in the right arm, then in the right leg, next in the left hip, then in the head, and finally before Richmond

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but she said nay. "Never mind, colonel," said the fair one's mother. "Just wait for her," pointing to a laughing baby in the cradle. Oates grew interested in her as she grew up, and when she got to be a young lady he was very much in love. He reminded her of the promise made over her cradle, and-well, they are regarded in Washington as an ideal couple, difference

handkerchief. "Why was Adam the happlest man that ever lived?" roared the latter in a voice

"Because he had no mother-in-law." "I knew it," said the thin man in the I have heard it at every circus I have since attended, and I have never missed going at least once a year."-Buffalo Enquirer.

so that the attention may be concentrated without diversion upon the lips of any person speaking.—Chicago Tribune.

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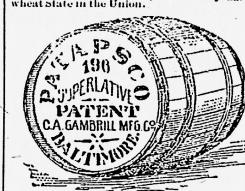
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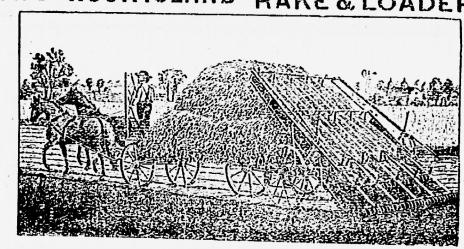
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other morning. and in a certain store one of these horri-ble hypnotic clerks fixed me with his glittering eye and positively controlled my purchase. He mesmerized me into letting him cut off a gown pattern that I did not want, it did not suit me in color, design or texture, yet there I stood spellboun! and allowed the seissors to seal my doom. A cash boy was then called to carry the purchase to the lining counter. On the way over there I emerged from my hypnotized condition and had my revenge, What do you think I did? I turned a corner, scurried through crowds of other victims, got out at a side door and went about my business. No one in the store knew me, and I have felt better ever since. If the hypnotic clerk had trouble with the proprietor about that gown, so much the better. It will teach him not to exercise his mesmeric powers over helpless women."-St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

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