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THE DANGERS OF HEALTH. French Scientist Fears that Population Will Increase Too Fast. The Marquis de Nandillac, a French scientist, tolerably well known here through his work on "Prohibitory America," has been recently engaged in calculations that are curiously suggestive. They concern the dangers of health. Since the memory of man runs not to the contrary, or, more deliriously, since the late Jeremy Bentham inaugurated the doctrine of the greatest good of the greatest number, it has been an endeavor, tentative yet persistent, to get things ship-shape, to provide through arbitration against war, to improve sanitation, to foster matrimony and simplify existence.

THE DRUM. Oh, the drum! There is some intonation in thy grum Monotony of utterance that strikes the split dumb, As thou startest through the clear. And unclouded atmosphere Thy erubling palpitation roll in upon the ear.

FOR BLOOD WILL TELL. BY W. S. HARWOOD. ISS WARING sat rapidly growing dusk on the wide prairie. The stars were just beginning to show like glittering diamond-points. Just the suggestion of the autumn was in the cool night air.

Jim and she drove along over the silent plain was broken now and then by a sharp, startling rattle, a sound one heard never to be forgotten, the danger-signal of the deadly rattlesnake coiled up in the long, brown grass.

They rode on again in silence. Agnes Waring had come from the great city to visit her brother on his Western ranch. Jim, the man-of-all-work, was driving her out from the station, fifteen miles from the ranch.

"Don't you be skereed," Jim ejaculated, as he whipped the horse into a gallop, "there ain't no danger—leastways for us."

"Everything's all right," said Jim, as reassuringly as he could under the circumstances, "don't you be skereed." He had seized the reins between his firm, strong teeth and now with one hand, now with the other, now with both, he was whipping the horse into still greater speed. "Like this"—as the wagon bounced and tumbled and rattled along, "hate ter do bit—but hit—can't be helped—when there's life—depends—on it."

GOOD ROADS NOTES. Instruction in Road-Building. With the building of better highways there has arisen a demand for practical road-builders and competent workmen in constructing country roads, but for permanent positions as street superintendents and road commissioners in towns and cities.

Miraculous Buildings. The longest wall in the world is the famous stone defense made by the Chinese against the Tartars about 200 B. C. It is twenty feet high, twenty-five feet thick at the base and stretches for 1280 miles over hills, valleys and rivers.

The largest room in the world, under one roof and unbroken by pillars, is at St. Peter's in Rome, measuring 746 feet by 50 in breadth. By daylight it is used for military displays and a whole battalion can completely maneuver in it.

The greatest structure ever raised by the hand of man is the great pyramid of Cheops, founded 4000 years ago, and measuring 746 feet square at the base and 443 feet high.

Necessarily the deck of a vessel at sea offers a much less satisfactory platform from which to shoot than the solid foundation provided in a land fort, since even when the ocean is calmest, the vessel must constantly roll from side to side.

The American practice, both in the army and navy, has always been to shoot low and always to use the most effective. In the navy the tradition to shoot low has crystallized into a standing rule, unwritten indeed, but none the less religiously observed, and its wisdom has been proved on more than one occasion of great importance.

A Southern Pacific Railroad freight car containing seventy-five gigantic tortoises from the Galapagos Islands, in the Southern Pacific, was passing through this city last Saturday night. The shipment was in charge of Mr. C. M. Harris, of Hyde Park, Mass., returning from an expedition sent out by the Rothschilds especially to secure the animals.

Denmark has an egg-exportation company, with 18,000 members. The eggs are sold by the pound. This country is ahead of all others in the art of making artificial teeth. A recent computation makes the number of artificial teeth fabricated here as 6,000,000 annually.

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The measure is conservative in nature and permissive in form. While opening up great possibilities, it is not mandatory in effect, nor does it force any improvements on any section. A local initiative is not required.

Unequal Axes With Wide Tires. Wide tires are not only good things, but their value is much increased if they are used on axles of different lengths, so that four distinct tracks are made by the wheels instead of two.

Free Delivery Depends on Roads. To promote the business, social and educational interests of the people are the objects of the Road Inquiry Bureau and the Justice Department of the Government.

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