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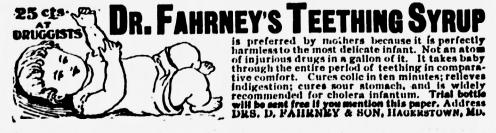
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such a wide dormitory! Est and west The gentle winds go sighing in their quest Among the grasses, as their whispers low Might soothe the sleepers. Mothers as they go About their children's beds speak soft. So here Kind nature seems most motherly and dear. Lighting her pleasant lamps at eventide, She guards this holy place, so still and widel

Such a vast homestead! All its friendly doors pours
The sun its gladness and the cloud its rain,

And winter's snows pass and return again, And God's great peace abides here. Changing And shifting seasons, varied zone and clime, Are all as one. Here sleep with scaled eyes God's own till he proclaim: "Awake! Arise!" —Mrs. S. M. Walsh in Youth's Companion,

SACK OF PORT AU PRINCE.

How Morgan's Buccaneers Fought Their Way Into the Haitian City. In St. Nicholas Mr. Frank R. Stockton writes of "The Buccaneers of Our Coast." Mr. Stockton thus describes the capture of the Haitian city Port au Prince by Morgan and his buccancers:

When the fleet arrived at the nearest harbor, Morgan landed his men and marched toward the town, but he did not succeed in making a secret attack, as he had hoped. A Spanish prisoner had let himself drop overboard and, swimming ashore, had warned the governor of the attack. Thus prepared, this able commander marched a body of soldiers along the road by which the pirates must come, and when ho found a suitable spot ho built a formt-dable barricade. Behind this his soldiers were posted with their muskets and their

But when Morgan came within sight of this barricade he considered that it would be entirely unnecessary to attempt to disturb this admirable defense, so he marched his men into the woods, led them entirely around the barricade and came out upon a

wide plain before the town. Here he found that he would have to fight his way into the city, and, probably much to his surprise, his filth were presently charged by a body of cavalry.

The pirates routed the hersemen and after a fight of about four hours took possession of the town. Here they captured a great many prisoners, whom they shut up in the churches, and then sent detachments out into the country to look for those who had run away. When these utterly debased and cruel men took their

usual course after capturing a town, they pillaged, feasted and rioted. Even when he poor citizens seemed to have given up everything they owned they were told that if they did not pay two heavy ransoms they would be carried away into slavery and that their town would be burned. country and find some of their fellow cititheir treasure. In those days people did they fled from the visitation of an enemy they took with them everything of value that they could carry. Before the citizens returned Morgan made a discovery. A negro was taken who was carrying letters from the governor of Santlago, a neighboring city, to some of the citizens of Port au Prince, telling them not to be in toe great a hurry to pay the ransom because he was coming with a strong force to their assistance. When Morgan read these letters, he changed his mind and thought it region any longer than could be helped. so he decided not to wait for the unfortunate citizens to collect the heavy ransom he demanded, but told them that if they would furnish him with 500 head of cattle and also supply salt and help prepare the meat for shipment he would make no fur-

AWFUL SLAVERY.

ther demands upon them. This, of course,

the citizens were glad enough to do, and

the buccaneors sailed away.

Tortures Endured by Laborers In the Sulphur Mines of Sicily. "There are but few who admire the col lection of beautiful sulphur crystals in the

National museum," remarked the gentle man who collected them from the famed sulphur mines in Sicily to a reporter, "who have any idea in relation to the same except their beauty. I don't think," he said, "that there is another spot on earth where such abominable treatment, such flendish cruelty, is afflicted on the laborer as in the sulphur mines of Sicily. They are paid barely enough to provide themselves with a scant supply of the coarsest, cheapest food, and a good portion of the time they are in a state of chronic starvation. When I was last there, many CATONSVILLE OFFICE of the mines were closed, and a Sicilian paper stated that 30 000 people ware ing at the mines.

The work is of the hardest and most mines have hoisting apparatus, and the gleamed. sulphur ore (sulphur and limestone combined) is brought up from the depths below on the backs of men and boys. Long, sloping, narrow tunnels lead from the surface down to the sulphur beds 200 to 600 feet or more below. Miners dig the stuff out, and it is carried up in stout sacks or flat baskets. Many of the laborers, especially the boys, work maked. On their backs they wear a piece of matting or something of the sort, held by a string around the neck. This is to protect the flesh from being torn from their bodies by the jagged corners of the ore they carry. "No one can imagine a more heartrending sight than to see the wretched creatures tolling up the long, steep slopes in the mine with their enormous loads. Every stop they take wrings a grean from their tortured frames. Most pitiful to me was the sight of the poor, bent, broken and

emadated old men, mere battered wrecks, and the young lads of 10 and 12 years who have just begun this life of cruel toil. "Staggering along under loads full as heavy as a strong man ought to carry the dreadful procession winds upward through the narrow drifts and tunnels to the surface, where the crois plied up in rectangular heaps and paid for by the cubic meter. "As evidence of the awful severity of the labor is the fact that a very large per centage of these lads are so badly crippled by the time they reach the age for military service that the conscript officers are force to reject them. And I assure you that the Italian government is not overcritical as to the physical condition of the men she sends by the shipload to Massaus to

be butchered by the Abyssinians. "When the miserable creatures leave the docket. face, they find themselves in a veritable corner of hades. The sulphur is extracted often be given easily to children by getat the mine by reacting it in immense neaps slightly envered with earth, not unlike in form to a charcoal pit. The air is so filled with sulphurous vapors and dust as to almost suffocate one. Not a green thing is in sight, for the poisonous vapors kill all vegetation. The flerce sun beats down upon one in those verduroless valleys with great furn. On again this there leys with great fury. On every side there are hot rocks, acres of impalpable, stifling dust and the vapors from the calcining can only be compared to blasts from the infernal region."—Exchange.

There are 110 mematains in Colorado whose peaks are over 12,000 feet above the coean level. Forty of these are higher than 14,000 feet, and more than half of that number are so remote and rugged that no one has dared to attempt to dlimb

COMPOSITION OF "HISTORY."

Little Virginia Girl Tells of the Course of Human Events. A little Virginia girl who has covered considerable ground in the study of history has condensed the information she has acquired into the following composition. It

was received by the teachers with some flegree of satisfaction, as it showed an uttempt at original thought and was not a plain copy from the histories: HISTORY.

History is a subject I can say very little about it is very important a very useful study and Interesting to those who can study some. Some can read it over and recite perfectly some can read it over and recite perfectly others can study hard for days and get it by heart—History tells you about the wars and about different countries in the old world and about Kings, Queens and about the great Law givers of the world. History are divided in no many different kind. United States History treats of when Columbus Discovered the world in 160 A. D. Columbus discovered that the in 1492 A. D. Columbus discovered that the world was round he got in his vessel rode on the water and in a short time he went in the direction land and he called land West Indies and came up to Mexico and he saw land all round and kept on going from place to place until he saw it was round that was when he

The Indians lived here before the white peo ple came and when the white people came they were very angry and the whites and the In-dians had a war and the whites gained this land and the poor Indians had to leave place wasn't that mean and the Indians showed the white people how to make corn bread. There is war between generals Robert E Lee Andrew Jackson on one side General Bradley Johnson and Usulsees S Grant but Andrew Jackson and Robert E Lee are the most important.

The men keep on making addresses just last might Smith (Note.—A Dr. Smith from Richmond, ex-Confederate officer in Stonewall Jack-Bon's troop, made an address at the town courthouse on Lee's birthday) made an address about Robert E. Lee which people will talk about so much well There was a war between England and France now the History I studied is General Meyers and that is divided in three

Modern History commences with the close of the Mediceval period and extends to the pres-ent time. The History tells us that you don't know when man was come in the procession of the earth we only know that is ages most remote when both the climate and outline of curope were very different from what they are at present. Plato was one of the smartest men in Modern History.

-New York Times.

THE ART STUDENT.

of Hard Work.

"First of all get rid of all illusions or the subject." The artist's life is often regarded as dream of freedom and gayety. In the first place it means the student life in Munich, for the Iser town is to be recognized as the capital of German art, the seat of Apollo and the muses. In the neighborhood of Munich the Alps raise their snow capped crests against the sky, and the thousands the unfortunate people to go out into the of paths which lead to the mountains are so many attractions to diversion. The zens who had escaped with a portion of would be student pictures to herself lovely evenings on the blue Iser, rowing parties not keep their wealth in banks, as they do on the Starnbergersec-in short, it is like now, but every man was the custodian of a vision of the promised land, and, like most of his own possessions, and when all other visions, does not materialize. Such dreams are no nearer the reality than

are other dreams. As a matter of fact, the life of the young art student is one continual round of work from early morn to dewy eye. One who expects to devote herself with any degree of success to art needs, besides the neces sary talent, carnest application, dogged perseverance, good health, and, last but not least, money. There are, alas! many students whose daily question is: "How shall I ever be able to hold out to the end! would be a wise thing not to stay in that | And even if I succeed, what is it all worth?" For it is not to be for one moment supposed that it is an easy matter to find fitting employment when the student has become a full fledged artist.

Because of such difficulties students often have their times of depression, during which the beauties of the student's life fade like the dreams of childhood in the presence of stern reality. The social and other advantages offered by Munich, which advantages are so great an attraction to the neophyte, are not for the art student. Society and the natural beauty of the surroundings can be enjoyed but very sparingly, because the strength has to be husbanded for study.-International Maga-

Revenge Is Sweet. The Washington Post tells of the revenge a young man took on two other young men whose only offense was that they were too attentive to the young woman on whom the revengeful young man all know them and meet them daily, and had set his heart. They were always at they can always see a cloud where none by their ill concealed grins of triumph ho ever, it is simply a matter of exercising knew that they were playing a game with the will. Anxiety about present trouble knew that they were playing a game with him, and were there merely to make him unhappy. They adopted all sorts of devices to find out when he meant to be calling on the young woman, and they never permitted him to outwit them. One evening he entered the drawing room of her home—it is on Seventeenth street, by the way-and found, as usual, his two grinexhausting character. Very few of the ning rivals comfortably scated. His eyes

"Big fire down town," he said carelessly. "Where?" asked the young lady. "Well, you know Rosenbaumstein pawnshop," began the young man. His two rivals sprang to their feet and made a dash for their hats. Their agita-

tion was unmistakable. "The fire's a block from that," continacd the revengeful young man. He has the parlor and the girl to himself now-

Taken Up.

Judge Coffey of San Francisco is described by The News Letter of that city as having a strong disapproval of garrulity. A lawyer, he declares, should cultivate

conciseness. An attorney, learned in the law but afflicted with the disease of long windedness in a peculiarly malignant form, was neatly cut short by the tart and astute probate judge. After pleading in a very plain case, with

wearisome prolixity, the worthy attorney suddenly asked in a rhetorical vein, but with no idea of concluding his argument: "Need I say more?"

Judge Coffey had been impatiently waiting for an opening and, perceiving his opportunity, answered quickly, but with the blandest courtesy: "No, brother, you need say nothing

Before the lawyer realized the remark of the court, and while he was about to resume his oration, standing with open mouth and outstretched hand, Judge Coffey decided against him, dismissed the proceeding and called the next case on his

Offensive Medicines.

ting them to chew a piece of cheese, a car-

good. They may learn to take pills (during the intervals at dinner) by first swallowing as amusement some made of bread. Better this than the nose pinching, street gles, screams and injurious excitement, brain and body, of ill managed children, whose repugnance to everything unpala-table is only natural. Powders should be administered from the end of a paper knife or flattened spoon bowl in order not to excite choking or vomiting.—Now Yesk

A CLAYBANK HORSE. The Owner's Interesting Story of What the

Nag Can Do. The traveling newspaper man was in San Antonio, standing in front of the Commercial clubrooms, when he overheard a conversation on horses. At the door, hitched to a heavy road wagon, commonly called a buggy, was a claybank horse belonging to a well known German of the town. Another man came along and remarked that the horse was a little

"Off mit his shape, ch? Ish dot vat yer call 'em? Vell, I told yer vat it ish. Dot horse vas der best drotter in der stade of Dexas, und don't yer mind yer own peesness 'bout dot." "Oh, you get out! That horse can't trot a little bit. I can beat him on my wheel

"I dell yer vat I do," said the German. "If yer beat dot horse von dime, I gif yer der horse. "What is his time?" "Dot horse gan goa mile in 2:22 easily."

any day in the mud."

"You are joking." "Choking, vas I? Yer bed I ain't choking a leedle bid. Vy, I vas over at Houston vid dat horse last season vid him, und I entered him ad a race for the 2:40 class und made a mile in 2:21."

"But that was when he was young perhaps." suggested the other man. "Ven he vas young, ch?" "How old yer dink dat horse vas, onyhow? Vy, he is now yust 19 years of old,

und he gan beat out any horse in San An

The writer asked some one if the fellow was joking.
"Not a bit. Why, that is the most famous horse in Texas. He is not a 'ringer,' but that German drives that horse all over Texas to the state and county fairs and wins every race he enters. He has been known to drive from here to Dallas hitched to a heavy buckboard and get there at That same afternoon he would enter the first race, and the record does not show that he was over yet beaten. This

fact can be proved by more than a hun-

dred men here in San Antonio."-New

THE MYSTERY OF SLEEP.

Orleans Times-Democrat.

There is a remarkable fact connected with sleep which must not be overlooked. The sleep of a human being, if we are not too busy to attend to the matter, always evokes a certain feeling of awe. Go into a room where a person is sleeping, and it is difficult to resist the sense that one is in the presence of the central mystery of existence. People who remember how constantly they see old Jones asleep in the club library will smile at this, but look quietly and alone even at old Jones, and the sense of mystery will soon develop. It is no good to say that sleep is only 'moving" because it looks like death. The person who is breathing so loudly as to take away all thought of death causes the sense of awe quite as easily as the silent sleeper who hardly seems to breathe. We see death seldom, but were it more familiar we doubt if a corpse would inspire so much awe as the unconscious and sleep-ing figure—a smiling, irresponsible doll, flesh and blood, but a doll to whom in a second may be called a proud, active, controlling consciousness which will ride his bodily and his mental horse with a hand of iron, which will force that body to endure toil and misery and will make that mind now wandering in paths of fantastic folly grapple with some great problem or throw all its force into the ruling, the saving or the destruction of mankind. The corpse is only so much bone, muscle and tissue. The sleeping body is the house

which a quick and eager master has only left for an hour or so. Let any one who thinks sleep is not a mystery try to observe in himself the process by which sleep comes and to notice how and when and under what conditions he loses consciousness. He will, of course, utterly fail to put his finger on the moment of sleep coming, but in striving to get as close as he can to the phenomena of sleep he will realize how great is the mystery which he is trying to fathom.—St. Louis Republic.

Folly of Borrowing Trouble.

There are some unhappy persons who seem fated to go through life with a constitutional tendency to despondency. We her house when he went to call. In fact, exists. With most of these persons, howoraprospective difficulties never brought any good to those who indulged in it. The successful ones in life are those who have been buoyant in spirit and who resolutely refuse to allow the cares of life to unduly depress them. Instead of allowing the mind to brood over things that cannot be helped, it should be set to work upon the duty that lies nearest to it. Worrying about matters does not improve them in the slightest degree. On the contrary, it weakens the purpose, robs the physical nature of its vitality and totally unfits us to cope with the obstacles that lie in our path. The most shocking mistake, and one that is unfortunately only too frequently made, is to meet troubles half way. These will come soon enough. They don't want any encouragement, and very often when they do come they are not half o formidable as we imagined they would be. Anticipation in some cases is worse than the reality.—New York Ledger.

Lady Byron.

A good woman Lady Byron may have been, but she never could have loved he busband with that affection which smooths down the asperities of married life. Fol lowing out that idiotic fallacy that "op posites agree," Lord and Lady Byron ought to have been the happiest of wedded pairs. But probably the very coldness and methodical tranquillity of her sufficed to drive the high strung, nervous poet into an irritable reaction. Men have smashed the furniture and beaten their wives for

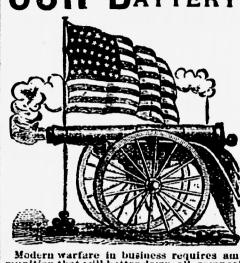
You recollect how he once wrote of her There was Miss Millpond, smooth as summer's gen— That usual paragon, an only daughter, Who seemed the cream of equanimity Till skimmed, and then there was some milk

In a fortnight after his marriage he was finding the honeymoon a bore and lusting after abstraction and self study. In month he was frankly tired and wrote of notice. "the sameness and stagnation" of the "dull games of cards" and "walking in

Apart from his pose with Indy Byro we must recollect the temper of the time. As an engaging and self confessed wretch filled with melancholy and contrition, he became the public idel. He knew his constituency and played to it. For an amateur he was a good actor, and his part became him. Public applause was the one thing which he wanted and scemed able to reach. He chose the means that were handiest and most efficacious.—Chicage Times-Herald.

It may not be generally known that Darwin long ago proved that plants and Sowers have brains and that if they do not exactly argue matters out among themselves the instinct of self preservation is strong upon them.

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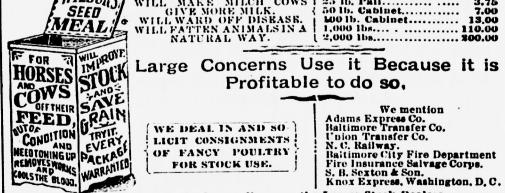
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