

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report



NAPOLEON'S ORIENTAL DREAMS.

He Longed to Follow in the Footsteps of Alexander the Great.

Bonaparte was a child of the Mediterranean. The light of his sparkling eyes was ever in his eyes, and the fascination of his ancient civilizations was never absent from his dreams of glory.

It is perfectly comprehensible that throughout his early manhood his mind should have occasionally reverted to the same ideals. The conqueror of Italy and Austria might hope to realize them.

A SPIDER FARM.

A Sirup Bottler Has Reemitted the Spider Against His Foes With Success.

A sirup bottler has improved upon the prison lesson of Bruce. He has taken the spider into partnership in the working of one of his most important departments.

"These creatures know more than a great many people. Spiders do not care for sweet things, and never drop into my vials or get into my bottles."

"Each May they reappear ready to unravel the silken fabric that is stored in their little bodies. It is just about then that the flies have hatched their first young."

"I have been only running this spider farm for two years, but I find my little partners indispensable. They will not endure in the place a single fly or insect that is a plunderer of sweets and sirups."

A Tattooed Snake.

The sailors of the gulf of Mexico and the equatorial regions of the Atlantic ocean amuse themselves and also turn an occasional honest penny by capturing both large and small snakes of the variety known as the lemon box and covering their bodies with tattooed letters and designs.

Heathen and Heathen.

Home Heathen—Tell me, now, what is the greatest difficulty that your foreign missionaries have to contend with? Foreign Missionary—Keeping our converts from learning that we have more heathen in the home churches.—New York Tribune.

The highest temperature ever known in London was recorded July 15, 1881, 95.5 degrees; at Paris, 104, on Aug. 26, 1765; at Adelaide, Australia, January, 1841, 114; at Mourzouk, India, July 10, 1872, 133.

The Housatonic in Connecticut was called by the Indians Wassideneh, the "stream beyond the mountains."

Bulgaria was formerly Volgaris, so called from the Volaci who inhabited it.

THE STORY OF A BEAR.

The Truth Came Out in Spite of the \$25 Paid to Suppress It.

"There used to be some good hunting up in Maine, about Rangleys lake," said Mr. T. L. Page. "A house that I managed in the little village of Phillips was the headquarters of a lot of Nimrods, who came up every season after big game."

"One season, however, they met with very poor luck, and after spending about a week in camp, with nothing to show for their labors, started to come to town, with the intention of going home."

"Well, the state gives a bounty of \$10 for every bear, and I reckon if you'll give me \$10 more you can have him."

"Down in the little village of Phillips Old Sol Mabrey, with a bigger wedge of cash in his pocket than he had possessed for a long time, was getting very drunk on the proceeds of his sale, and after the third or fourth round of drinks he couldn't resist telling how, on that very morning, he had caught in a trap the finest bear he'd ever beheld, and how he had sold him to two chaps from the city."

Indoor Bicycle Riding.

Nowadays every one wants to ride a bicycle, but many do not attempt it because they dread the ordeal of learning. In the first place they dislike the idea of abrasions and bruises, and in the second they can hardly bring themselves to the sacrifice of dignity which the floundering of the beginner usually entails.

Practice can thus be carried on in a hall or room, and riders can gauge the rate of speed their exertions would have given them on the highway. For beginners, children and invalids needing physical exercise this invention is especially adapted, as it stands perfectly steady and enables the difficulties of mounting and dismounting to be thoroughly overcome without danger of falls or bruises.

Wood Paving.

A nonslipping wood pavement has been recently devised which is claimed to be simple, inexpensive and efficient. It consists in preparing the wooden blocks before they are laid by boring a few holes in them and filling the same with a hard setting substance composed of crushed stone, bitumen and Portland cement.

Division of the Sexes.

One of the most remarkable churches is to be found at Frontenthal, in the Black Forest. It is built on such a plan that the men are unable to see the women, and vice versa, for it is composed of two wings, which meet at an angle where the pulpit stands. The right wing is allotted to men, and the left one to the women of the congregation.—Berlin Letter.

Skilled as Ever.

Edward—Isn't Dick going off in his writings? Forrest—I haven't noticed it. Edward—It seems to me he has lost that exquisite delicacy of touch he used to have. Forrest (renewly)—By Jove! You wouldn't think so if you had seen him work me for ten this morning.—New Rochelle Life.

Readily Remedied.

"Say," said the city editor, "it seems to me that this expression of yours about showing a clean pair of heels is not just the thing in a report of a bicycle race."

Aliens—that is, unaturalized foreigners residing in this country—are found only in the north and are mostly Canadians, who come to this country for a working season and return to their homes in Canada to remain during the rest of the year.

Bromine was discovered by Ballara of Montpellier in 1826.

HUMAN SUFFERING.

Nine-tenths of It Is Useless and Could Be Avoided.

Go through a crowd of people, preferably city people; examine the tired, anxious, wasted faces; remember your life and the lives of the men whom you have known intimately; recall the violent deaths, the suicides of which you have heard, and ask yourself the reason of all this death, suffering and despair.

Recently on a rainy Sunday I crossed the market near the tower of Soukharev in a street car. For a third of a mile the car made its way through a dense crowd that closed in again behind us.

"Think of the existence of these men, of the situation which they abandon and of that which they choose. Consider the labor to which they give themselves, and you will see that they are martyrs. All have left their fields, their homes, their fathers and brothers, often their wives and children. They have renounced everything and come to the city in order to acquire that which the world considers necessary."

BOTH PAPERS WERE USEFUL.

The Fortunate Result of a Tennessee Justice Mixing His Documents.

Bill Wright was a justice of the peace, and also an absentminded man, whose wife was as able an orator as Xantippe.

One day Bill had a process to serve away up in the mountains on a semibarbarous recluse, who was sued for damages for some diseased, and Bill thought he would deliver a few of the certificates to the parson.

Reaching the minister's, he stopped and chatted awhile, and, after delivering his papers, he started off again and took the road to the mountains. The parson had a wedding that day, and one of the parties being a notorious horse thief from an adjoining county. When the ceremony was over, the parson selected a certificate from the bundle and unrolled it sufficiently to sign his name.

When the justice reached the mountain side, he took out the paper to read and immediately saw its nature, but, maintaining his self-possession, he recited the form of summons, which he fortunately remembered.

Why He Wanted It Printed.

Compositors are supposed to be able to decipher all kinds of handwriting, even that of editors and ministers. On this point Mr. Robert Clark, the Edinburgh printer, used to tell a story.

"You must let me have proofs of this tomorrow," he said. "I told him the time was too short. He must give us a few days longer."

Altogether Too Honest.

Hotel Clerk—That lawyer stopping with us is the most honest man I ever heard of. Landlord—Why? Clerk—He sits up in a chair and sleeps at night.

The First Safety Lamp.

The first claim as an inventor of a safety lamp for use in mines was made by Dr. Clanny of Newcastle, who, in 1813, contrived a ponderous and complicated machine, requiring a boy to work it.

Realistic.

Critic—Has that painting of yours, "At Work in the Fields," received any favorable comments? Artist—A rather steady looking man stopped to look at it today, and he said it made him tired.

Right He Was.

"Now," began the orator, "in considering the money question, let us avoid false issues."

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A Floral Detective of Long Ago.

In early times the Dutch farmers of the river farms of New York had an ingenious way of recovering pocket knives that might have been dropped or mislaid while plowing or gardening was going on.

A Small Boy's Good Memory.

One of the dentists of this city has a precocious child of about 4 summers. The bright little fellow keeps his father and mother wide awake during the whole day by his wit and keeness.

Perfection of the Bicycle.

The mechanical strength of a cycle needs little comment when a 30 inch wheel weighing 20 ounces sustains without permanent distortion the weight of four men standing on its side, with supports at four points only under the rim and nothing under the hub.

How to Keep Lemons Fresh.

It is not generally known that lemons may be easily and almost indefinitely preserved under glass. Some, one year, were purchased on the Fourth of July, and, by way of experiment, each one was put under an inverted goblet. Thus kept from the air, they were finally removed, on Christmas day, in perfect condition and as juicy as ever.

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Wm. S. Loomis, Shreveport, La. "I must preach this sermon tomorrow. It is a special sermon. I wrote it ten years ago, and now I can't make out a word of it."—Youth's Companion.

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The Catawissa river, in Pennsylvania, was named from an Indian word that means "getting fat."

CHILDREN WHO ARE SICKLY OR WHO HAVE CONSUMPTION

SMALL BEGINNINGS

Make great endings sometimes. Allments that we are apt to consider trivial often grow through neglect, into atrocious maladies, dangerous in themselves and productive of others.

Teacher—If your father was to hear of your bad conduct, it would make his hair turn gray. Bubby—beg your pardon, sir; my father had'st say hair left.

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