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GREATEST AND LEAST

TWO EXTREMES IN SIZE, BULK OR WEIGHT.

Largest Diamond and Smallest, Tallest Man and Shortest, Thigs Mammoth or Diminutive That Represent Extremes in Either Respect.

The biggest diamond in the world is the great Golconda gem, which weighs nearly 400 carats, is as big as an average fist, and worth about \$450,000.

Three murders and countless intrigues and robberies have had it for their object. It now belongs to the Rajah of Putehpore. The smallest diamond on earth can just be seen with the naked eye. A microscope shows it to be of perfect water and brilliancy, and its actual market value is about a cent as a diamond. As a curiosity, however, it is worth \$75.

The tallest man in the world is Breen, the Swiss giant. There are several other Swiss giants, but Breen overtops them all with his height of 9 feet 4 inches, and he is a big man in proportion. His clothes cost him \$75 per suit, and he cannot get into an ordinary railway carriage. His opposite—the smallest man alive—is Metrakul, the little Hungarian, who is just under 3 feet high. He can get into the clothes of an ordinary large doll, and feel small in them. He makes more money than his big rival, earning \$10,000 a year as a "freak," while the giant Breen only gets \$4,000. He is accomplished, is much stronger in proportion than the giant, and will probably last longer.

The biggest stomach afloat just now is the Celtic. Her coal bunkers alone could hold a regiment, and she makes the Atlantic passage no more than a ferry ride. The tiniest steamship on earth, which will carry a human being, is the Thrasher. She is eight feet long, decked in, and just carries one man, provided he sits still. Her engines are smaller than a toy, and all part of them can be reached with the hands while sitting at the wheel. Her coal bunkers are about the size of a valve.

Among living things the most vast is a whale called the orqual, who reaches the length of 100 feet when he is grown up, and has teeth longer than a man's leg. He measures 40 feet around the place where his waistcoat would be, if he had one, and he can move through the water at the rate of 40 miles an hour. He gets through about a ton of fish and other food per day when in robust health, to say nothing of a seal or two. The tiniest living thing man has ever seen is the mite. It is only 1/1000 of an inch long, and it is so small for the human brain that it is as small as a speck of dust.

There is a book called the "Worthy Bible," which is the biggest thing of the book kind in one volume ever yet produced. It is ten feet square and two feet thick, and contains 30,000 pages. One may put alongside this monster the tiniest piece of literature ever published—an edition of "Hamlet"—which is a quarter of an inch square, containing 80 pages, and this is a perfect clearness, and needs an expensive magnifying glass to read it.

SINGLE TREE HAMMOCK. The novelty of the hammock shown in the picture consists in its ability to keep on the shady side of the tree at all hours of the day, and it also has the advantage of being adapted for use on a single tree or the side of a house. Of course, it will not cure from end to end like the ordinary hammock, but it has a swinging motion of its own.

SWISS LITERALLY ABOUT THE TREE, and it can be made quite as comfortable for resting as those now in use. The attachment to the tree is made by a ball and socket joint and the two hooks, with the suspending cables, the joint allowing the hammock to swing laterally in substantially the same plane. By providing adjustable heads for suspending the hammock it can be moved around the widest part of the tree, and in use it follows the curve of the tree, and when not in use it folds up flat for storage in small compass. The inventor is Malachi D. Hoff of Carthage, Ill.

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Dolly's Fortune.

DOLLY was seventeen; she was pretty, she was poor, and she was very superstitious. She believed in dreams and signs and she made her bed at times very unhappy. If the old rooster came to the back door and crowed, she at once began to prepare for a stranger's visit; and, while wiping the dishes, her towel fell to the floor, she was sure that some friend or relation was coming; if she dreamed of washing clothes, she was going to move; and if there came a speck in the light it was a letter; and if a swallow flew into the house she felt sure that it announced death in the family, and so on through so many signs and fancies that it seemed as if nothing could ever occur without its having been foretold.

Dolly lived with her grandparents, who loved her with that absolute idolatry which grandparents lavish upon their grandchildren, and Fritz Muller, their head man about the farm, loved her, too. She liked Fritz very well. He was good and patient, industrious and a fair musician, and he was also well educated; but Dolly did not think of such a thing as ever marrying Fritz, and, indeed, he had never blurted at any such thing, though he had been there over five years. But he thought of her and intended that she should be his wife, and at last he began to act more like a lover than a pleased Dolly. One day when the hay was ready for cutting, and the air was heavy with perfume of the flowers in the fields, and the bees hummed drowsily among them, and the birds fluttered down into the shade, all the men up with Fritz went out to cut the hay with Fritz at their head, and old Mr. Martin and his wife went to the funeral of an old friend, Dolly was left alone in the old house.

Something weighed upon her spirits. She had seen three black crows circle three times round the old well, and she accepted that as a sign of coming evil, and her little heart was heavy. She had imagined all sorts of dangers that might menace them; and then a shadow fell across the doorway, and she raised her eyes, to see an old woman standing there.

The old woman was in rags, and her gray hair hung down over a wrinkled and smoke-brown face, and this was lighted by piercing eyes. "I bring you good news to you, my pretty Dolly. I shall tell you your fortune; I have come all the way over the river to see you, for I read of your destiny in the stars last night."

"Oh, I think not," said Dolly, half-frightened.

"Let me tell you, for you have a wonderful lot in life. Your fortune will take you far, and I have come so far to tell you."

"But," said Dolly, "I have no money of my own. I never need any, and never have any. I spend none, perhaps you have an old brooch or pair of earrings, or something of that sort that you would give me. For such a fortune as I read last night in the stars for you, people would give handfuls of gold."

"I don't know," said Dolly. "I think I have something like that, if you will sit down here and wait till I bring it."

"I don't care," said Dolly. "I can work, and I have two that shall replace his one; and she laid her trembling lips upon the poor maiden's hand."

"I don't think we will have to work," said Fritz. "I am rich now, through the death of my uncle, and now we can go to Dresden, where my little Dolly will be a countess."

Astonishment and dismay seized upon Dolly at this juncture; but it was true. The poor young lad had been too independent to live upon the charity of his miserly old uncle, had found a home with these kind old people, and, as he afterward said, he fell in love with Dolly the day she gave the stranger a drink of water when he was searching for work.

Of what use to speak of his family, as Dolly could not unfold his name! And between Fritz Muller and the Count von Muehlenbach rolled a wide sea.

Well, it was all over now. The young Count and Countess did live happily, did travel, did see many wonderful things, and had seven children, all boys but one.

But the gypsy had known all the Count's history in his own country, and knowing, as they have the faculty of finding out, Fritz's love for Dolly, had really predicted Dolly's fortune.

QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S AUTO. Royal Lady Takes Great Pleasure in Driving the Machine. Queen Alexandra has become possessed of a victoria, which she has learned to drive herself. Reared for two, its framework is articulated, so that it adapts itself to any unevenness of road without stress or strain. The single motor is of 4 horse power, of four pole type, and can be worked to five times normal capacity without any injurious effects.

The batteries are fitted in the rear portion of the carriage, and contain sufficient energy for thirty-five or forty miles on one charge. The car is electrically lit and fitted with Japanese lamps, relieved with silver-plate fittings; the wheels are of bicycle type, and fitted with 3-inch pneumatic tires. Speed of car is from six miles to fourteen miles per hour.

The Queen herself has become