



TRIAL BY FIRE.

There are colonels and majors and generals and some old captains who hold their hats high...



SORROWING AS IF HER HEART WERE UTTERLY BROKEN.

Between the acts, Ardsley made inquiries and learned the truth. He was bitten with a desire to obtain the unattainable, and he was not one to dally...

Ardsley was ordered off on a scout. Miss Hampden clung to Ardsley and cried like a little girl, and did not let go until she was alone...

Ardsley did not come back from the scout. He was in a light on what should have been his wedding day. Others were killed and their bodies were recovered and buried...

There was a tale that a fire had been seen in the tent like a woman who had seen countless scouts. And she let him go to the wars remembering her standing with her arm against the wall and her head upon her arm, sobbing as if her heart were utterly broken...

Ardsley's ring. The fire did not touch the letters. I understand now why they never could tell me which was his grave. "I am yours to the center," he said, and she was smiling...

"Thank you," she said. "Utica Globe." "A M. ter of Doubt." The factious man ambled gingerly over the icy pave.

WILL MEASURE DEW.

Little Attachment for the Wind Gauge at Weather Bureau.

Hereafter the gentle dew cannot descend at night nor a flake of snow fall without being registered on the Minneapolis weather station rain gauge. William Carlisle, a member of Weather Observer Outram's staff, has just perfected a little adjunct to the rain gauge...

After much experimentation Mr. Carlisle hit upon the scheme of introducing in the electrical circuit some additional clock work, the effect of which is to delay the graphic register five seconds. That is to say that if a certain amount of rain is caught by the gauge receptacle it will be five seconds before it is recorded.

Mr. Carlisle's attention is now attached to the official rain gauge and works admirably. It is probable that the invention will be applied to all government rain gauges.—Minneapolis Journal.

Give the Stupid Boy a Chance. Here is a lesson and a warning to parents who have a stupid boy, for no doubt there are a few stupid boys in the world, even amid the lights of this closing century.

They are making an effort to keep mud out of the macadam roads in Pennsylvania by paying for fifty feet or more each side road or lane that joins the stone roads.

Early Beliefs About the Great Lakes. W. S. Harwood writes of "The Great Lakes" to the editor of the "Chicago Tribune" that all that region to the north of the lakes and immediately skirting them from Quebec to Lake Nipigon, and around to and beyond Old Fort William, was the exploring ground of the French.

Among other instances of Dr. Isaac Barrow's wit, the following set-to between him and the profligate Lord Rochester is related, in which the doctor certainly had the best of it.

A certain reverend gentleman in London, having to preach a charity sermon, said nothing on the subject until the sermon was ended. He then told the congregation that this was a mere matter of business, and as such he would talk of it.

Little Africa a Man.

Little Africa, a lithe, polite dancer, sprang into popularity at Detroit a few weeks ago, and through a shrewd manager, became a drawing card at private "dinners" given by the "nice" young men.

Some of the Experiences of an Artist in Sketching From Life. "Leaves from the Sketch Book of an Artist," is an article by Meredith Nugent in the St. Nicholas.

Animals as Models. The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one creature whose sense has been shown to be as acute as that of man.

Shake Into Your Shoes. Allen's Foot-Ease, a powder for the feet. It cures painful, swollen, smarting feet and instantly kills the itching, burning, and stinging.

Home Products and Pure Food. All Eastern Syrup, so-called, usually very light colored and of heavy body, is made from glucose.

Sammy Snags. "Asked the teacher, 'What part of speech is the word 'maladiction'?' 'Noun,' replied Sammy. 'What gender?'"

Police as Shark Catchers. Among the multifarious duties which demand the attention of the Calcutta police the capture of sharks in the Bay of Bengal is one of the most important.

Spain's Underground River. The Guadiana, a Spanish river, after flowing for 50 miles overhead, vanishes underground, and for the next 30 miles pursues its course as an underground river.

Alabastine is What? Alabastine is a durable and natural coating for walls and ceilings. It is made from gypsum and is applied in the form of a paste.

Use only one heaping teaspoonful of Schilling's Best Baking Powder to a quart of flour.

Church built of Coral. A church built of coral is one of the curiosities of the Isle of Mahe, one of the Seychelles islands in the Indian ocean.

Timidity of an Elephant. Riding along a road in India, I saw the following instance of a big elephant's timidity, which I venture to send to you.

Greater New York has 1,100 churches within its limits, and over 130,000 dwelling houses.

Baker's Chocolate. Celebrated for more than a century as a delicious, nutritious, and refreshing beverage, has our well-known Yellow Label on the front of every package, and our trade-mark, 'The Baker's Chocolate,' on the back.

Bluestone. The magnetic clock was invented by Dr. Locke, of Cincinnati, in 1847-48.

Motherhood. There are many curable causes for sterility in women. One of the most common is general debility, accompanied by a peculiar condition of the blood.

Good Health. In the working world of humanity, it is the most important thing to have good health. It is the foundation of all success.

Wheat. Make money by selling wheat. It is the most profitable crop to raise. It is also the most nutritious food for man and beast.

Alabastine is sold by paint dealers everywhere. Ask your dealer for card of instructions.