

TWERE BETTER.

[Jean Ingelow.]
If to reflect a light that is divine
Makes that which doth reflect it better seen,

THE UNLUCKY NUMBER.

[Boston Budget.]
There are a great many people in this world who think that the life of a hotel clerk is all sunshine, and that he has little else to do but to dress well and display huge "head lights" on his shirt front, condescending occasionally during the day or evening to accommodate a weary traveler with a room on the upper story at the rate of \$3 or \$4 per day.

Sailors' Superstitions Concerning Finlanders.

[London Daily Telegraph.]
Indeed marine superstitions should not be hard to kill, for they are not very numerous. A large number have been fathered on sailors by land writers, but they want the true ring, the salt flavor is lacking, and it is easy to perceive that their narrators never were afloat.

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Build the most stately mansions, O my soul,
As the swift seasons roll;
Leave thy low vaulted roof;

Cocoa and Chocolate. [Glasgow Herald.]
Many drinkers of these pleasant beverages are unaware as to the method by which the cocoa seeds are obtained.

A well-known, wealthy, but very superstitious New Yorker stepped up to the office of the Westminister hotel, New York, on Friday last, and inquired of Maj. Swope if he had any rooms to let for the coming fall and winter.

"Yes, sir," said the major. "Shall I show you what we have?"
"If you please," was the reply.
He was shown No. 13, which room was about what he wanted, but the price he thought was "too high."

"That won't do, either,"
"Will, why?" said the major, "you haven't as yet seen the room. How do you know until you have seen it?"
"Isn't it a number 13?" said the old gentleman, "4 and 9 make 13; I wouldn't sleep in that room one night for \$1,000."

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A Visit to Mormon Zion. [Salt Lake Cor. Inter Ocean.]
In an hour and a half the train rolls into the celebrated Mormon Mecca, or, as they call it, Zion, with its broad, clean streets and busy population. I will not enter into a description of its features, which your readers must be somewhat familiar with.

Why They Hatched Out. [San Francisco Bulletin.]
A capital anecdote is told of a little fellow who, in turning over the leaves of a scrap-book, came across the well-known picture of some chickens just out of their shells.

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A Mother's Disappointment. [Detroit Free Press.]
A Detroit lawyer who had business in one of the northern counties a short time since, put in a night at a farm house. It was a log structure containing two rooms, and such furniture as pioneers get along with.

"Do you wear sich fine duds all the time?"
"All the time, madam."
"Is that a real diamond in your shirt?"
"It is."

"And I heard you tell the old man you had a horse and buggy at home?"
"Yes, madam."
"And that watch and chain are real gold, I suppose?"
"Yes, the real stuff."

How the "Friends" Harry. [Chicago Times.]
At a Quaker wedding in church at Philadelphia last week, the pair took their places on the lowest tier of the raised seats. At the left of the bride sat two elderly ladies attired in strict Quaker garb.

Actors and Theatres. [Joachim Miller.]
How many actors and actresses are there in these United States? Why, the figures would startle you. We have 4,900 theatres, big and little, good and bad. More than all Europe. Think of that. Of course this number includes music halls, lecture halls, and all such places, which sometimes serve those whom Shakespeare set down as "The brief and abstract chronicles of the time."

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