

Who Opened Fire on Fort Sumter.



Gen. Beauregard's stirring account of the first battle of Bull Run in a recent magazine, has brought its author into prominent notice just now.

The Great Canal Engineer.



The construction of the Suez canal and that of the isthmus of Panama, if ever completed, will immortalize the name of de Lesseps.

Author of Helen's Babies.



Mr. Habberton, at present editor of The New York Telegram, became famous in 1876 as the author of "Helen's Babies," a book which reached an edition of 250,000 copies in America and circulated largely in England, France and Germany as well.

Gold's Letter on Elopements.

It is short and to the point. "I would suggest," he says to Morosini, "that you start the young man in some light business congenial to his tastes, and if he has any business qualities in him they will soon develop themselves.

An insane German, named William Weicht, created a sensation in the United States Supreme Court-room recently by announcing that he had several suits of clothes in a carpet-bag which he carried that he wanted the Chief Justice to wear.

IN A BOTANIST'S PARADISE.

The Puzzle Monkey Tree and a Flower as Large as a Street Gas-Lamp.

My chief object in coming to Chili was to see and paint the old forests of Araucaria imbricata, known in England the puzzle monkey tree, rather unreasonably, as there are no monkeys here to puzzle; probably they crossed the Cordilleras in disgust at the general prickliness of all plants here, especially the araucarias, and never came back again.

It was a lovely ride from Angole and its terrible dust. First, we mounted over rocks and more dust for some 2,000 feet, among puzas and succulent and prickly plants (which prepare themselves for the long dry season by hoarding moisture and growing weapons of defense to prevent other thirsty creatures benefiting by it), and then leaving a glorious view of snowy volcanoes behind us, we entered the mixture of forest and pastoral scenery I have just described, passing stream after stream of clear running water and more lovely flowers than I had seen in all Chile before.

There are not more than twenty shops in the city of New York devoted to the making of patterns or the building of models," said a pattern-maker to a reporter, as he stood at his lathe turning a piece of wood.

MODEL MAKERS.

One Business That is at a Standstill and Exhibits No Improvement.

I have been in this shop thirteen years and during that time have employed a great many different workmen. My experience has convinced me that there has been no improvement whatever in the machinery used in my business over that of a quarter of a century ago.

WHAT THE RIEL REBELLION IS.

A Brief Statement of the Circumstances Which Precipitated It.

The Toronto Mail was not disposed to believe the first reports of the Carleton uprising, putting the blame on St. Paul newspapers, anxious to score a point against the Northwest in the race for the season's immigration.

Under the Manitoba act of 1870 each half-breed born in that province before July 1 of that year was granted two hundred and forty acres of land free, in satisfaction of what may be termed the half-breed title.

FOR ANTI-VACCINATIONISTS.

A Few Facts Showing the Beneficial Effects of Vaccination for Smallpox.

While the deaths from smallpox last year throughout the entire German Empire averaged one or two a week, and never exceeded four, there died in Prague, a city of about 270,000 inhabitants, no fewer than 823 persons between January and June, besides 409 in the last four months of 1883.

IGNORED WATER.

A Story of Stephen B. Elkins and the Old Farmer.

I heard a little story of good Mr. Stephen B. Elkins the other day that ought to furnish a moral were Mr. Elkins in the habit of devoting his talent to missionary work.

A CLERICAL ERROR.

The Very Natural Mistake Made by a Philanthropist.

"Say, sonny," said the philanthropist, as he looked down at the mere mite of a newsboy in Park Row, "do your parents or any one help you to exist?"

The Hot Water Cure.



There was an old cat named Maria, Who to sing to high "C" did aspire; In the midst of her wails



Came of water—two pails— Which had previously been near the fire.

Changes That a Twelvemonth May Bring.

Now the merry sleigh bells jingle, And there's not a girl that's single But will make her lover take her out to ride, ride, ride;

Work the First Wife Neglected.

"You don't cook like Sary Ann used to, Matilda," he said, in tones of gentle, exasperated reproof; "no, it seems to me you can't cook like Sary Ann used to."

Lines to Miss Terry.

Miss-Terry—our sorrows of the scenic stagion Who calls thy stride spondadic, thy accents screechy!

London Ball Fashions.

The new servant girl came to her mistress crying and holding on to her finger. "What's the matter?" asked the lady of the house.

The Big Dollar.

There is no doubting the potent influence of the almighty dollar, and hence the attractiveness of the large advertisement of J. H. Robbins & Son which appears in another column of this paper.

The Modern Milkmaid.

The elegant, titled Sir Thomas Hunt Tom Fell in love with the only fair daughter of an oleomargarine maker, and won her affections by swearing, in his honor upon, "That he never would have any bar."

Right Yet Wrong.

"Am I on the right road to the village?" demanded a traveler of an old darkey who was working in a field.

More Accurate Than Polit.

An engraver's mistake lately caused the bride's parents to say on the cards: "Mr. and Mrs. — respectfully requests your presence at the marriage of their daughter," etc.

Boston Post: When a man stays down at his office until midnight prior to strike a gold



The Snakin costume.