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The Minstrel. I am a gifted child of song. No harper old and gray. To win the friendship of thy throng. With some enchanting lay. Yet still to friendship old and true. I'll touch the tuneful string. And o'er thy heart as blissful dew. Its music softly fling.

A Doctor's Story. I am a doctor. I live in London, and in one of the most crowded localities. I had been in my present abode two years, and had had a patient from the more aristocratic circles, when one night, about 11.30, I was startled by a violent ring at my bell, and having just got to bed after a hard day's work, I can't say the summons was agreeable.

The Dead Letter Sale. THE CURIOUS THINGS SENT BY MAIL THAT NEVER REACHED THEIR DESTINATION. In all cases where letters and packages contain valuable things, they are returned to the writer or forwarder, if there is any clue to his address, and when none can be found they are of course retained in the dead letter office.

The Matter of Tramps. The characteristic habits and tendencies of this increasingly dangerous class of people are more and more engaging the attention of those whose thoughts are turned to the security and welfare of society. We recently made a note of what had been suggested as the only practical remedy for the tramp danger, and sundry other matters.

The Remorse of Murderers. A young man named Morgan is reported to have died recently in Orange county of remorse. He killed a young man with whom he had been drinking, and was convicted of manslaughter. The sentence of the court was very light—only four months in the Penitentiary.

An Old Fort. In Florida the old fort formerly called St. Marks, but since the purchase from Spain, Fort Marion, is constructed of coquina stone. The following is an interesting description of it: This fort is an interesting relic, because it was built in 1758. It cost immense sums of money, and is strong enough to have withstood, in its time, several formidable sieges.

Tea Culture. While labor is high priced and of poor quality, it is hopeless to believe that tea can be profitably produced in the United States. Hundreds of experiments have been made in years past with the tea plant in various parts of the States for the purpose of ascertaining if it was adapted to our soil and climate, and although in many instances they have proved successful, so far as the growth of plants was concerned, still the high price of labor has heretofore prevented extending its cultivation.

Duck-Shooting in Maryland. There are various ways of shooting the ducks of the Chesapeake and its tributaries, the Susquehanna, gentlemen for the most part shoot from "blinds," and use decoys; while market gunners use the "dark-boat" or the "night reflector." "Blinds" are any sort of artificial concealment placed at an advantageous point upon the shore.

The Opium Fiend. Charles Tyler, known to the New York police as the "Opium Fiend," is the Tombs of that city for stealing surgical instruments and cases of morphia from physicians. The instruments, he says, he took to sell that he might procure morphia. To a reporter who visited him he said: "My right name is Henry L. Sanford. I was born in the District of Columbia, and am a twenty-eight year old man."

The War. The talk among the European powers about interfering before long with the combatants in the East and so preventing their carrying the war over into another year, is too loud and open to be passed by as of no special significance. It is becoming more evident that the powers are restive under a continuance of hostilities and would be glad to bring them to an end. This they seem to think they can do without passing judgment on either party, simply calling it a drawn battle.

Arctic Explorations. The reports of another projected Arctic expedition turn our attention to the intense interest which has long attached to the frozen regions of the north. Since the lectures given by the rich fish-eries of Newfoundland and the Greenland coast, since the expedition of the Cabots demonstrated that if the much-coveted Northwest passage to India should be discovered, it would be all but useless to commerce, those frozen regions have attracted the enterprise, and often the fate of the boldest navigators of almost every succeeding generation.

A Ship's Crew Poisoned. On the arrival at Southampton of a Scotch vessel named Wm. Inman, an extraordinary story of poisoning at sea has been revealed. It is alleged that while the bark Crown Prince, commanded by Capt. Robert Cochrane, and belonging to St. John, New Brunswick, was on a voyage to Falmouth, the food supplied to the crew was made for use, that, in consequence, the whole of the fore-castle hands, fourteen in number, became ill, and that six of the sailors died, and after communication with the marine authorities, the Captain has been committed to a hospital.

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