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#### THE HENS PARADISE.

Petaluma, 45 miles north of San Francisco, is the world's greatest chicken raising town. Petaluma has a population of but 6000, yet from a hen's point of view, it is the metropolis of the world; Petaluma is the center of the poultry-raising district in which there are 2,000,000 chickens. Thirty-five thousand dollars a day is what the world pays the town in hard cash for its eggs and poultry productions. Poultry raising is the chief industry, and if all the hens in the little city and its environs were to form one composite hen, this gigantic fowl would weigh more than 325 tons. Almost every one who has an acre or two of land raises chickens on an extensive scale. The city supplies more than one half the poultry and eggs used in California and sends a great quantity of eggs and fowls to the east as well as to Hawaii and the Philippines. Along with its gigantic chicken business, Petaluma boasts of the largest incubator factory in the world. The largest chicken ranch in the world is located at Petaluma. This ranch has upon its premises 18,000 laying chickens besides thousands of young chickens. It is estimated conservatively that each hen yields an annual income of 75 cents. The climate at Petaluma appears to be peculiarly adapted to the industry. Ordinary fowl ailments are almost unknown on a well-conducted ranch.

#### AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENTS.

According to a statistician of the Chicago Record-Herald, during the first seven months of the year forty-two persons have lost their lives and 343 have been more or less seriously injured in twelve cities of the United States in automobile accidents. It does not appear whether Syracuse is counted in the number or not. All the accidents, it is stated, were the results of excessive speed. Some predict that the present season will see the end of automobile racing in this country. The appearance of gigantic cars on a race track, going at the highest speed that human constructed machinery can make, has its attractions for many. But the racing, based purely on the enthusiasm stirred up by manufacturers to advertise their goods, will of itself soon die out.

Automobile racing is passing through the same stage that bicycling went through, and the results will doubtless be similar—after many lives are lost and the novelty has worn off the sport will be dead. Then the automobile will come to its legitimate and sane use and the future of its usefulness will be great.

The United States forest reserves now number sixty-two.

Love may make the world go round, but it's stuff in the envelope Saturday night that pays the bills.

Chicago consumed 67,940 1/2 more barrels of beer in August this year than it consumed in August last year.

The board of review finds that the people of Chicago are richer to the extent of \$20,000,000 than they were last year.

It has been said that the women who write books and essays on how to manage husbands are usually old maids.

Mme. Hunt says men milliners become effeminate, but they must be born that way or they would not become men milliners.

Again the American farmer approaches a season which brings him face to

face with the problem of studying what to do with all his money.

An Ohio man fell dead while courting the lady from whom he had been divorced. This should serve as a warning to men who are thinking of going back.

Railroad earnings this year will be unusually large. The Pennsylvania lines are expected to show an aggregate of \$14,000,000 in excess of the earnings of 1904.

Uncle Sam began making coins in 1793, and he tried his hand first at making copper cents. The coin presses now in use cost the government \$15,000 each and weigh fifteen tons. There are twenty-four of them at the Philadelphia mint. One of the modern machines also is on exhibition at Portland, where it is used for making souvenir coins.

Women in China have the privilege of fighting in the wars of the country. In the rebellion in 1850 women did as much fighting as men. At Nankin in 1853, 300,000 women from various parts of the country were formed into brigades of 18,000 each, under female officers. Of these soldiers 10,000 were picked women, drilled and garrisoned in the city.

Japan, in gratitude to Miss Roosevelt for the honor of her recent visit to that country, places her picture, as that of the "American Princess," on their post cards. The picture shows Miss Roosevelt wearing a long white coat and a white hat trimmed with owl's head and wings. Underneath is a Japanese inscription explaining that she is the American Princess.

Swain's island in the county of Hancock, down in the state of Maine, is claimed as the only veritable Utopia in the world. It has neither paupers nor thieves. Tramps cannot swim so far. The island contains 13,000 acres, population of 1000, largely engaged in lobster-fishing; has three churches, three schools, no lockup, no poor house; light taxation, nobody rich, nobody poor. All doors are devoid of locks. All laws are automatically enforced.

The largest hotel in the world will soon be built in New York by a syndicate, headed by "Al" Adams, the former "Policy King" of New York, who has spent several years in Sing Sing for swindling the poor with his policy game. Adams is enormously wealthy. The hotel, which is to be erected on the site of the notorious House of All Nations on west Thirty-second street and Sixth avenue, will be forty-four stories high, and its cost is estimated at over \$3,000,000. It will be 500 feet high and will accommodate 2500 people. Astoria would be satisfied with a hotel one-tenth as high.

The visit of the shah of Persia to the czar may be but a social call, but nations interested in keeping Russia from an ice free seaport will rest more easy when the visit comes to an end.—Oman Bee (Rep.)

Now that the Indian Territory constitutional convention has defeated the woman suffrage plank, it is likely to be called something a good deal worse than Sequoyah by a certain class of enthusiasts.—Indianapolis News, (Ind.)

Never was the grafter in such dread of the press. Let him look where he will, as secretly as he may, the guns of independent, fearless newspaperdom are trained on him, and he drops the swag or goes to the political potter's field.—Louisville Herald.

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