

PRIZED HAIR ROPES.

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He Dearly Loves Tobacco and Not a Mite of It is Wasted. "No man is fonder of tobacco than an Eskimo," said an arctic traveler.

Animals That Are Always Enemies. Many animals are born with an inherent antipathy for other animals. The excessive fear shown by young rabbits...

The Word "Nugget."

"Nugget" was formerly used to signify a bit or lump of anything, as a "nugget of tobacco." Nowadays, however, it is used principally of gold...

He Understood.

Paul Louis Courier, when bitterly assailed by a French professor, quietly remarked: "I fancy he must be vexed. He calls me Jacobin, rebel, plagiarist, thief, poisoner, forger, leper, madman, impostor, calumniator, libeler, a horrible, filthy, grimacing rascal..."

The Kind She Wanted.

Husband—Anything you want in town today, my dear? Shall I order some more of that self rising flour? Wife—We have plenty left, but I wish you would stop at a registry office and order me a self rising servant girl.—Illustrated Bits.

Preparing the Soil.

"I notice the young Widow Prettyman doesn't have her widow's weeds so much in evidence now." "No; she's clearing those weeds away. I believe she sees signs of a second crop of orange blossoms."—Philadelphia Ledger.

That's Why.

"You say you conceal nothing from your wife?" "Absolutely nothing." "And why do you not?" "It is evident that you do not know my wife."—Houston Post.

AN INDIAN LEGEND.

The Grandfather of All Mosquitoes and His Giant Descendants. There are pretty big mosquitoes in the world, but if report be true they have greatly degenerated in size and strength since the days when this legend was believed by many tribes of Indians.

THE GOLD STANDARD.

England, in 1816, Was the First of the Nations to Adopt It. The first nation to adopt the gold standard was England. She adopted the gold standard nominally in 1816, but practically not until three years later...

Echoes From Horace's Skulls.

Those curious twists and turns superstitions take are to be found in the introduction of horses' skulls in or about the church buildings in England and Scotland, the reason alleged being to help the sound in church. This habit is unquestionably a relic of heathenism...

Success in Society.

The secret of success in society is a certain heartiness and sympathy. A man who is not happy in company cannot find any word in his memory that will fit the occasion. All his information is a little impertinent. A man who is happy there finds in every turn of the conversation occasions for the introduction of what he has to say.

An Artist's Whim.

In the church of Tasov, in the government of Kursk, Russia, the altar piece is a painting of the last judgment, the foreground being a vivid representation of hell. Among the figures of lost souls a prominent position is occupied by Tolstol, whose portrait presents a fairly good likeness. The painter's name is unknown, but that his work is appreciated is shown by the fact that the town authorities paid \$125 for the picture.

An Indicator.

"But, doctor," asked the young practitioner, "why do you always order champagne for every new patient that comes to you?" "Because, my boy," replied the wise old medical man, "I can judge by what he says whether or not he can afford it. That helps when I come to make out my bill."—Philadelphia Press.

Driven From Home.

"Did you hear that the daughter of that rich man in the next block had been driven from home?" "No. When did it happen?" "Just after she got into the carriage."—Baltimore American.

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