

ON THE ROAD.

The fields are all sweet with hay,  
The hedges are all white with snow,  
On the hedges rose garlands sway,  
Convolvulus clusters throng,  
As shoofies, and tattered, and grimy, and gray,  
He shuffles along.  
A skylark sings high above,  
A thrush from yon hanging bough,  
Far away in the wood a dove;  
But he passes with a scowling brow,  
Their melodies once he was wont to love;  
He hates them now.  
Hates all; save the sheltering night,  
When under a bank he creeps,  
And Signor is out of sight,  
And Hunger its distance keeps,  
And unmolested by the birds and the meadows  
bright,  
His misery sleeps.  
—New York Tribune.

An Affecting Incident.

The conflagration of the scaffolds intended for fireworks for the celebration of the marriage of Louis XVI is generally known. Amidst the distracted multitude pressing on every side, trampled under the horses' feet, precipitated into the ditches of the Rue Royale and the square, was a young man, with a girl with whom he was in love. She was beautiful; their attachment had lasted several years; pecuniary causes had delayed their union; but the following day they were to be married. For a long time the lover, protecting his betrothed, keeping her behind him, covering her with his own person, sustained her strength and courage. But the tumult, the cries, the terror and peril every moment increased. "I am sinking," she said; "my strength fails. I can go no further."  
"There is yet a way!" cried the lover in despair; "get on my shoulders." He feels that his advice has been followed, and the hope of saving her whom he loves redoubles his ardor and strength. He resists the most violent concussions; with his arms firmly extended before his breast he with difficulty forces his way through the crowd; at length he clears it. Arrived at one of the extremities of the place, having set down his precious burden, faltering, exhausted, fatigued to death, but intoxicated with joy, he turns round. It was a different person! Another, more active, had taken advantage of his recommendation. His beloved was no more!—New York Ledger.

Just an Ordinary Woodchuck Log.

When I was a boy my father had a fine field of clover, and he discovered that woodchucks were making sad havoc with it. On the field was a log, and near the log the destruction was the greatest. My father told me I must kill those woodchucks. I went to the field a number of times, but could not get a shot at them. I came to the conclusion that I must use a little strategy; so one morning I went to the field before light. With my gun both barrels loaded with a heavy charge of BB shot, I got in a position where I could take a range of the log lengthwise.

As it began to grow light the woodchucks began to gather for their morning frolic. They mounted the log, sat up and looked around to see there was nothing to disturb them. When I thought the log was nearly covered with them I pulled both barrels at once. The gun kicked me over. When I got up there were no woodchucks to be seen. I went to the log and picked up fourteen dead woodchucks, and it wasn't any great log for woodchucks, either.—Boston Record.

But Office Cats Are Very Useful.

We have edited a newspaper for several years, and in that time we have received propositions to advertise goods on shares, to advertise and take the pay in pills, in trees, in flowers, in free tickets, have even had opera house managers demand advertisements as a matter of news, and then demand pay for admission or no go; but it remained for an enterprising merchant of Temple to cap the climax with his proposition. He has a lot of strayed animals, and after hunting around and suggesting "news" items that would contain some reference to the lost animals, he finally proposed to advertise for them if we would take the pay in cats.—Temple Times.

Her Regard for Propriety.

A gentleman on a cycling tour staid a night at a prim old lady's cottage, the inn being full. He was very deaf, and took care to impress the fact on his hostess, with instructions that some one must enter his room to wake him at a particular time in the morning. Waking of himself some time later he found that the old lady, with creditable regard for propriety, had slipped under his door a note inscribed:  
"Sir, it is half-past 7!"—London Tit-Bits.

Simple Safeguards on Electric Railways.  
M. C. Sullivan suggests in The Electrical Engineer that a very wise and simple precaution will be the supplying to each car operated by electricity of a pair of rubber gloves, insulated pliers and nippers, and suitable inscriptions to indicate their use. These may possibly be the means of preventing delay and inconvenience, and of obviating serious results in case of accidents.

The greatest measure of variability in the matter of lopped ears is to be found among dogs. Spaniels, setters, pointers, bloodhounds, beagles and foxhounds all have long, pendulous ears; bulldogs, terriers, collies and greyhounds droop only the tips of their ears; the spitz has erect ears, while mastiffs and many other breeds have short, pendulous or semi-pendulous ears.

The elephant probably came of an ancestral stock that had erect ears, but for ages past there has been no creature powerful enough to cause it alarm, and for want of exercise the muscles which move the ear have lost tone and wasted away, leaving the ear to lop or hang pendulous.

Directly one enters a room there is a sense either of cheer or the reverse. After leaving the apartment one may

Vancouver's Big Bridge.

The great steel bridge across the Columbia river at Vancouver will be a mammoth concern. It will be 6,000 feet from the Washington to the Oregon shore. It will be double tracked, with a roadway on top for teams, and will be erected upon pneumatic piers. The pivot pier, or draw pier, will support a draw which will give an opening of 200 feet space on either side for vessels to pass, and the span immediately south of the draw span will be 375 feet. The whole structure is to be of steel, built ten feet above the high water of 1876 and forty feet above low water.

On account of the sandy formation it will be necessary to go down eighty feet below low water to get a firm foundation. There it rests on a foundation of coarse gravel similar to that upon which the great bridges across the Missouri river are built. This gigantic structure will cost over \$1,000,000, and employ hundreds of men in its erection. It will be Jan. 1, 1892, before the cars can pass over it. The company is pushing its bridge and also its road as fast as men and money and its present perfected plans will permit. It has now between here and Kalama over 2,000 men and 1,500 teams at work.—Columbian.

Anglophobia in France.

It would be a pretty question whether the English or the Germans are the more heartily detested in Paris. It is certain that the rancors of Waterloo have not been softened by the humiliations of Sedan. The fact is that your Frenchman has an unlimited capacity of hatred. A newspaper has been started which is called The Union Franco-Russe, and the main object is to rake up stale fictions and to invent new libels on the English people. In curious contrast to the vulgar dislike is the undisguised admiration of English people and English customs which runs through the smart circles of Parisian society. They imitate the cut of our coats and reproduce the latest thing in London hats; they buy English horses and English guns; they talk English slang. They always did admire English girls, but that was inevitable. It is a higher compliment when they copy English dandies.—St. James' Gazette.

A Tramp with \$1,400.

The worshippers at St. Bonifacius' Roman Catholic church, on Norris square, were excited on Saturday evening by the discovery of a sleeping man in the organ loft. He was put out, but shortly afterward returned, when he was arrested. On being searched at the station house \$1,000 in English gold was found about his person. When he was asked where he got the money he pulled out \$400 more in Bank of England notes, and told the following story:

"I lived on a farm in England. My mother dying a short time ago I sold the farm and came over here one week ago. On Friday night I slept at a fifteen-cent lodging house at Ninth and Race streets with the money on my person. I don't see why you think strange that I have so much money."

The man had the look of a typical tramp.—Philadelphia Record.

Tall Story from Clarion.

Near Raine's flour mill stands a hemlock tree, which is probably 100 feet high, at the butt is all of six feet in circumference and is minus of limbs at least ten feet up its jagged trunk. On the extreme top of the tree a wild grape vine blossomed and bore fruit this season, and a number of the young lads have climbed the tree at various times to secure the fruit. Dr. E. M. Sloan's little daughter, 7 years old, was missed from home the other day, and her mother discovered her standing on one of the topmost limbs of the old hemlock, gathering grapes. The child came down as nimbly as a squirrel. It was a daring feat.—Clarion Republican.

Yachtsmen Threatened by a Waterspout.  
During the severe storm which prevailed here and over the Sound Oct. 19 a huge waterspout was seen off Charles Island. A party of New Haven yachtsmen were close to it in a naphtha launch, and for a time were in danger of being swamped. The waterspout came from a southerly direction. It drew up the water of the Sound and created additional disturbance to the turbulent sea. It finally broke between Charles Island and Burns' Point by the wind changing to northwest. It would have been destructive to any boat which came in its path.—Cor. New Haven Register.

Eighteen thousand acres of land, heavily timbered with hemlock and other hard woods, the last of the famous Pennsylvania hemlock belt, has been conveyed by J. K. P. Hall, Ridgway, to Andrew Kaul, of St. Mary's; Sampson Short, of North East, and S. S. Bullis, Olean, N. Y. The purchase price was \$360,000. This land lies in the vicinity of St. Mary's and Johnsonburg. Three railroads run into it.

There are 30,000,000 acres of unsurveyed land in the state of Washington, and much of that great extent of country is almost impenetrable, being covered with a magnificent growth of the finest kind of timber. Surveyors have literally to cut their way every foot, because of the thick underbrush.

A rug valued at \$5,000 was bought in London lately. It was about thirteen feet square and had about 250 stitches to the inch. The material was wool combed, not cut, from the animal, and worth more than its weight in silk.

The rolling mill department of the United States Rolling Stock company at Anniston, Ala., has completed a piece of shafting 25 feet long, 7 1/2 inches in diameter and weighs 3,640 pounds. It is to be used in the works at Anniston.

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O. D. Taylor, plaintiff, vs. Thomas J. Fredenburg, E. L. Smith and L. Francisco, defendants. To Thomas J. Fredenburg, the above named defendant.

In the name of the state of Oregon you are hereby commanded to appear and answer the complaint of the above named plaintiff, filed against you in the above entitled court and cause on or before the first day of the next regular term of said Circuit court, to-wit: On or before the 9th day of February, 1891, and if you fail to so appear and answer, for want thereof the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief prayed for in his complaint, that is to say: for a decree foreclosing that certain mortgage, made, executed and delivered by you, to said plaintiff, on the 6th day of September, 1888, upon the south half and north-west quarter of the north-east quarter, and the north-east quarter of the north-west quarter of Section twenty-eight in Township one north of Range ten, east of the Willamette Meridian, in Wasco county, Oregon, and for a sale of said real estate, according to law; that the proceeds of such sale be applied upon the costs and disbursements of this suit, and upon the costs and charges and expenses of such sale, and upon the note mentioned in said mortgage, said note being for \$400.00 and bearing interest from the 5th day of September, 1888, at the rate of ten per cent per annum until paid, which note is now overdue and unpaid, and a reasonable attorney's fees of \$40.00 as provided and stipulated in said note, and for judgment and execution over against the defendant, Thomas J. Fredenburg for all the proceeds of such sale properly applicable to plaintiff's demands have been applied, and also that said defendants and each of them and all persons claiming by, through or under them, or either of them, be forever barred and foreclosed of all right, title, claim, lien and equity of redemption and interest in said premises, and for such other and further relief as shall be equitable and just. By order of Hon. Loyal S. Stearns, one of the Circuit judges of the Fourth Judicial District in Oregon, dated December 29th, 1890, this summons is directed to be served upon you by publication thereof.

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DUFUR, WATKINS & MENFEE, Attorneys for Plaintiff.

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