

UNCLE WILLIAM'S PICTURE.

Uncle William, last July, Had his picture took. "Have it done, of course," says I, "Jest the way you look!"

COLD WATER CURES ALL.

A UNIVERSAL PANACEA FOR SUFFERING HUMANITY.

"The Abbe Sebastian Kneipp" and His Power of Healing - A Patient Describes the Method of the Priest's Treatment - Cold Water Used Externally.

Few Americans have seen the little village of Woerishofen, between Memmingen and Augsburg, in Bavaria, and yet for the past four or five years this little burg has attracted as many visitors as Bayreuth and Oherammergau.

Coolness in a Mixed College.

There is a coolness between the boys and the girls of the Stanford university. It all came about from a question of propriety.

KNOCKING OUT A JERU.

Resentment of the Insults of a Big Stage Driver by a Little Dude.

Colonel William Greene Sterrett, of the Galveston-Dallas News, tells this story:

"Once, a good many years ago," he said, "I was traveling in a stage in western Texas. It was long before the sport of the locomotive was heard on the prairies of that region, over which the buffalo yet roamed."

The Brilliant Student's Dilemma.

A Harvard student told me an amusing story about himself the other day.

It seems that recently his mother had a young lady guest at their home on the Back Bay, and when he came from college in the afternoon he was introduced to her.

A Chance for a Fortune.

There survive in this city a few hand cork cutters who still contrive to make a sort of living in competition with the cork cutting machines and the peasants of Catalonia.

Light as cork is, tons of clippings accumulate, and although various uses have been discovered for this refuse, it brings little or nothing when sold, and constantly accumulates to the embarrassment of the corkcutter.

How the Indian Prays.

"Prayer is the soul's sincere desire, unuttered or expressed." And the manner of expressing desire may differ widely.

The Indian may be as religious as the Presbyterian, yet he never kneels when he prays. He never addresses the deity by word of mouth at all.

THE ABBE.

In the village there are only three or four primitive inns, but most of the invalids lodge in private houses no less primitive.

The abbe receives at the presbytery, and begins consultations at 8 o'clock in the morning. The great physician sits in a large room on the ground floor, surrounded by pupils.

A Tremendous Earley Farm.

"We have now secured 250,000 acres of land in North Dakota for barley farms, and next spring we will send thousands of German emigrants to that state from Ohio, West Virginia and Indiana," said Colonel O. M. Townner.

He discussed the future of this great northern state. Colonel Townner is manager of what is best known as the Barley syndicate of Chicago. During the last two or three months the company has succeeded in securing 250,000 acres of land in North Dakota, on which it is proposed to place German farmers to raise barley for malt purposes.

To Celebrate the Marseillaise.

Another effort is being made by the inhabitants of Choisy-le-Roi, outside of Paris, to observe with much solemnity and ceremonial what is vaguely called the "Centenary of the Marseillaise."

Choisy-le-Roi claims to possess the dust of Rouget de l'Isle—the composer of the hymn—who was buried there in 1886, his birthplace being Lons-le-Saulnier, in the department of the Jura. On this account the members of the borough council consider that they have the right to take the initiative in organizing a Right Republican festival this year, as the Marseillaise, under the title of "Chant de Guerre de l'Armee du Rhin," was first heard in 1792.

The Amateur Actress.

We had rather throw aside this pen forever than to write a word to discourage any woman who is conscientiously striving to earn a position on the stage; but there are other women—some in the profession, some in the audience—to whom it is grossly unfair to put forth an inexperienced amateur as a star.

Consider, ladies and gentlemen, what a poor, miserable art that of acting would be if anybody could acquire it in a few lessons, in a year or so, from a private box across the footlights to the center of the stage. It takes a longer time to learn to be a carpenter or to play a piano, to be a dressmaker or to paint a picture, to be a typewriter or to cut hair properly, than amateurs who are now willing to bestow upon the art which includes, employs and dignifies all other arts from staccato posing to wig wearing.

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Commercial Women and Husbands.

There are a number of commercial women traveling with their husbands, most of them for Chicago business firms, although a few represent houses in this city and Boston. The lines of goods they carry vary from stationery and maps to hardware and jewelry.

WHAT WATER DOES.

Water alone can act thoroughly on the blood, and water produces four noticeable effects. It dissolves the injurious principles of the blood, eliminates that which has been dissolved, restores regular circulation to the purified blood and fortifies the debilitated organism.

A Much Traveled Volume.

In opening a package of books wrapped in tin, the custom house inspectors cut with a knife the binding, by Ruban, of a "Poor Richard Almanack." The importer made no claim for damage from the government, paid the duty, returned the book to Paris to be rebound and wrote an ode to Diana of Poitiers, goddess of book lovers, in gratitude for the miraculous escape of the text of his Almanack.

Making the Right Shade.

Those who have sought in vain for faces to match the color of silk on lamp shades and other decorative articles may be able to produce the right shade by using some of the French tapestry dyes. One should experiment on a bit of lace, first, so as to get the desired shade.

Unasked Sympathy.

I cannot touch a piece of velvet with my fingers or permit the furry side of a peach skin to touch my lips without experiencing immediately a sort of cold chill all over my person. It is not so very severe, but it is unpleasant. Still I would prefer to live forever under the ban of such a chill than to be compelled to meet once a day one of those obnoxious bundles of insincerity and pretense, the unctuous and effusive chap who thinks you are not properly treated and never loses an opportunity to tell you so.

Helping One Another.

A seventh ward man rises in the early dawn of Monday morning and does the family washing, because his wife has an organic heart trouble. After he goes to his daily toil, with the consciousness of having performed his duty, she goes over and does the washing for the minister's family.—Springfield Homestead.

Why Sunsets are Red.

A shower of a remarkable character occurred in Sicily on April 24, 1781. On the morning of that day every exposed place within an extensive district was found covered with a gray water, which being evaporated left a deposit nearly a quarter of an inch in thickness. It was determined that this solid matter must have come from Mount Atna. It is certain that vast quantities of solid substances are constantly afloat in the atmosphere. The sunsets all over the world are redder to this day on account of the dust from the mighty eruption in the Straits of Sunda years ago, which has not yet entirely settled.—Washington Star.

Proceeds of a Jackknife.

The champion horse jockey belongs in Belfast in the person of Lije Walker. Just to give his boy an idea how to get along in the world Lije started away from home one day on foot and nothing in his pockets but a jackknife. He was absent just one week and returned driving a pair of horses harnessed into a top buggy. Hitched to the rear axle was another horse and a cow, while ahead was a dog. "See how your pap does it," said Lije to his son, as he gazed at the time of day from a handsome watch. For a fact he had got the whole turnout for his jackknife, and swapping the proceeds into one thing and another.—Belfast (Me.) Mail.

A Russo-Chinese Railway.

A Russo-Chinese railway is reported as the objective point of negotiations now going on between Russian and Chinese representatives. Russia wants the right to build a railway from Vladivostok, the Pacific terminal of the proposed Siberian railway, across the northern boundary of Korea to Tien-Tsin, and thence to Shanghai. The alleged object is quick transit of Chinese tea and silk to Europe. The Chinese, however, are very jealous of Russian influence in the east, and will probably decline Russian aid in railway building.—Engineering News.

An Immense Flume is Being Constructed.

An immense flume is being constructed near Fresno, Cal., which will not only furnish water for irrigating purposes, but will be used to transport lumber needed by farmers living near by. It is pretty hard to be told at the beginning of a long, cold winter that gold table services are coming in. It was hoped that they had gone out to stay.

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A Halloween Experiment.

Halloween is sometimes called "nut crack night," because nuts have always taken a conspicuous part in its observance. Two nuts placed in the fire on Halloween are named for two lovers. Should they lie together and burn together, John and Tillie will be a happy husband and wife, but should the nuts bounce and fly asunder, the sign is a bad one.—New York Herald.

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When a Chinese composer sets type he places them in a wooden frame twenty-two by fifteen inches.

This frame has twenty-nine grooves, each for a line of type, and the type sets in clay to the depth of a quarter of an inch. The types are of wood, perfectly square, and the compositor handles them with pincers.

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It's little things that count," said Hicks.

"Ye-es," returned Mawson. "But very inaccurately. My boy can't count eleven without making about forty mistakes."—Harper's Bazar.

CON STIPATION.

CON STIPATION. A man writes: "I have been for years subject to bilious colic and constipation. I have been so bad for a year back have had to take a physic every other night or else I would have a headache. After taking one bottle of J. V. S., I am in splendid shape. It has done wonderful things for me. People similarly troubled should try it and be convinced."

Joy's Vegetable Sarsaparilla



Say the S. B. Cough Cure is the best thing they ever saw. We are not flattered for we know REAL MERIT WILL WIN. All we ask is an honest trial. For sale by all druggists. S. B. MEDICINE MFG. CO., Dufur, Oregon.

A Severe Law.



The English people look more closely to the genuineness of these staples than we do. In fact, they have a law under which they make seizures and destroy adulterated products that are not what they are represented to be. Under this statute thousands of pounds of tea have been burned because of their wholesale adulteration.

Tea, by the way, is one of the most notoriously adulterated articles of commerce. Not a name are the bright, shiny green teas artificially colored, but thousands of pounds of such teas for tea leaves are used to swell the bulk of cheap teas, and with the leaves being those most commonly used. As such, sweepings from tea warehouses are colored and sold as tea. Even exhausted tea leaves gathered from the tea-houses are kept, dried, and made over and find their way into the cheap teas.

BEECH'S TEA

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