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## THE AGER

Once upon an evening bleary,  
While I sat me dreamy, dreary,  
In the sunshine, thinking over  
Passing things in days of yore;  
While I nodded, nearly sleeping,  
Gently came a something creeping  
Up my back like water seeping—  
Sweeping upward from the floor.  
"Tis a cooling breeze," I muttered,  
"From the regions 'neath the floor—  
Only this, and nothing more."  
And distinctly I remember  
It was in one wet September,  
When the earth and every member  
Of creation that it bore,  
Had for weeks and weeks been soaking  
In the meanness, most provoking  
Foggy rains that (without joking)  
We had ever seen before:  
So I knew it must be very  
Cool and damp beneath the floor—  
Very cold beneath the floor.  
So I sat me, half way napping,  
In the sunshine, stretching, gapping,  
Craving water, but delighted  
With the breeze from 'neath the floor,  
Till I found me growing colder,  
And the stretching waxing bolder,  
And myself a feeling older—  
Older than I'd felt before:  
Feeling that my joints were stiffer  
Than they were in days of yore—  
Stiffer than they'd been before.  
All along my back the creeping  
Coolness soon was rushing, leaping,  
As if countless frozen demons  
Were attempting to explore  
All the cavities (the varnishes)  
Twixt me and my nether garments,  
Up into my hair and downward  
Through my boots into the floor:  
Then I found myself a shaking,  
Slight at first, but more and more—  
Every moment more and more.  
Soon I knew what 'twas that shook me:  
'Twas the ager, and it took me  
Into heavy clothes—to every  
Place where there was warmth in  
store:  
Shook me till my teeth were chattering,  
Till the tea they bought went spattering  
From the cup, while all my warming  
Made me colder than before;  
Shook me till it had exhausted  
All its power to shake me more—  
Had no strength to shake me more.  
Then it rested till the morrow,  
When it came with all the horror  
That it owned, or'er could borrow—  
Shaking harder than before:  
And from that day damp and dreary,  
When I sat all dreaming, bleary,  
It has made diurnal visits,  
Shaking, shaking, oh, so sore!  
Shaking up my boots, and shaking  
Me to bed, if nothing more—  
Fully this, if nothing more.  
And to-day the swallows flitting  
Round my cottage see me sitting  
Moody within the sunshine,  
Just inside my silent door,  
Waiting for the ager seeming  
Like a man forever dreaming,  
And the sunshine on me streaming  
Throws no shadow on the floor:  
For I'm now too thin from ager  
To make shadows on the floor—  
Nary shadow—any more.  
—Portland Post.

## Grandpa.

The Grandpa is an individual, aged somewhere between fifty and one hundred years, of a promiscuous temperament, and is a common occurrence in all well-regulated families. Next to a healthy mother-in-law, they have more active business on hand than any other party in the household. They are the standing authority on all leading topics, and what they don't know about things that took place sixty-five years ago, or will take place for the next sixty-five years to come, is a damage for any man to know. Grandpas are not entirely useless; they are handy to hold babies, and feeding the pigs, and are very smart at mending a broken broom handle, and sifting coal ashes, and are good at putting up clothes lines on washing day. I have seen grandpas that could churn good, but I consider it a might mean trick to set an old fellow of eighty years to churning butter. I am a grandpa myself, but I won't churn butter for no concern, not if I understand myself. I am as solid on this conclusion as a graven image. I am willing to rock baby all the time while the women folks are biling soap; I am willing to kut rags, to work up into a rag karpnet; they can keep me picking hens' eggs wet days, or hinking green currants, or I will even dip kandles,

or kore apples for sass, or turn a grindstun, but, bi thunder, i won't churn. I have examined myself on this subject, and i will bet a juk knife, so long az he remains in his right mind, Josh Billings won't churn. Az a general thing, grandpas are a set of konsaited old phools who don't seem to realize that what they kno themselves iz the result of experience, and that younger people have got to get their knowledge in the same way. Grandpas are poor help at bringing up children; they have got precept and katechism enuff, but the young ones all seem to understand that grandpa minds them a heap more than they mind grandpa. —Josh Billings.

## Success in Life.

Hard work and judicious economy of strength, time and money, are the secrets of success in life. Luck does not account for so much as many people suppose. Accidental circumstances, as regards time and place, contribute much to success in life, but it may be laid down as a general rule, that men who seem to be successful, have not attained to eminence without intense and continual thought and perseverance. A stickling about hours of work is obstructive of all success beyond a humble mediocrity. Never was there a truer word uttered than that "the hand of the diligent maketh rich." In no department of life do men rise to eminence who have not undergone a long and diligent preparation; for whatever may be the difference in the mental power of individuals, it is the cultivation of the mind alone that leads to distinction. Every young man who is ambitious of success must be willing to work for it. He must prepare himself for it by systematic training, and then he may rest assured that he will seldom fail of accomplishing it. It is an ill-founded notion to say that merit in the long run is neglected. Don't fear that for a moment. Educate yourself practically and usefully, then be diligent and faithful in your work, and rest assured that you will have every chance of a brilliant success.

## The Science of Dreaming.

A somewhat eccentric French savant, M. Delaunay, has been investigating the subject of dreams, and fancies that he has laid the foundation for the science of dreaming. He finds that he can control the character of his dreams by stimulating certain portions of the brain by means of heat. For instance, by covering his forehead with layers of wadding he obtains sane, intelligent dreams; but he also finds that the position of the body is also an important factor. Thus he finds lying on the back productive of the sensorial, luxurious dreams, while those experienced while lying on the right side—the most easy and natural position—are full of exaggeration, absurd, and refer to odd matters. On the contrary, those experiences when lying on the left side are intelligent and reasonable and relate to recent matters. These latter are the dreams in which one often speaks. M. Delaunay's investigations have thus far been purely suggestive. If he should go further and found a school of dreams it would not be the only one in existence.

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## Wool.

The secretary of the Portland Board of Trade in his annual report made some statements and suggestions which will be found valuable by the sheep raisers of this county. He said the wool clip of 1882 exceeded that of 1881 by about 25 per cent. The quality of the wool, however, was by no means up to the standard. In consequence of the sale of large numbers of wethers by eastern Oregon wool growers to eastern buyers, which necessitated early shearing, the wool from that section reached this market earlier than usual. The condition of the clips then received was disappointing, the wool being heavy and lacking brightness, but well graded and sound in staple. Buyers expected improvement later in the season, but were deceived, as the above aspects manifested themselves in almost every clip received from eastern Oregon. This is to be accounted for by the fact that the sheep were in excellent condition during the winter, thus retaining the grease accumulated during the preceding summer, and also by the very dry, windy spring months, which filled the fleece with sand. On an average the shrinkage of this year's clip exceeded that of last year's by fully 8 per cent. The presence of several San Francisco buyers in this market inflated values, giving an erroneous idea to the growers not acquainted with the actual facts; hence fully one-fourth of this year's clip remains unsold, and cannot be placed except at a concession of 15 per cent. on opening prices. Willamette valley wool is year by year deteriorating in quality, owing to the neglect of farmers to improve their flocks by new blood. But few make a specialty of wool growing in the valley, the majority looking upon their flocks merely as scavengers to clean their lands. The valley wool was delivered in fair condition, and the yield was up to the average, but until the majority of the flocks are crossed with Merino bucks, the greater portion of the valley wool will have to be classed with the lowest grades.

Somebody has been at the trouble of condensing a great deal of information about wheat-growing, as follows, into very small compass, and somebody has set it afloat without giving credit to the author: 1st. The best soil for wheat is rich clay loam. 2d. Wheat likes a good, deep, soft bed. 3d. Clover turned under makes just such a bed. 4th. The best seed is oily, plump and clean. 5th. About two inches is the best depth for sowing the seed. 6th. The drill puts in the seed better and cheaper than broadcasting. 7th. From the middle of September to the last of October is the best time for sowing. 8th. Drilled, one bushel of seed per acre; if sown broadcast, two bushels per acre. 9th. One heavy rolling after sowing does much good. 10th. For flour, cut when the grain begins to harden; for seed not until it has hardened.

An unforeseen consequence of cutting the Suez canal has been the intrusion of sharks in large numbers in the Mediterranean sea, with terrible resulting havoc among the smaller edible fish. Formerly a shark was almost a curiosity in the Mediterranean sea, and there was no choicer or better stocked fishing ground in the world. The fishermen of the Provencal coast supplied the cities of Europe with the best of European food, and in never failing abundance; but they now have difficulty in furnishing half the quantity that they then obtained with ease.



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**MOTHERS, READ.**  
GENTS:—About nine years ago I had a child two years old and almost dead. The doctor I had attending her could not tell what ailed her. I asked him if he did not think it was worms. He said no. However, this did not satisfy me. I felt convinced in my own mind that she had worms. I obtained a bottle of **DR. C. McLANE'S VERMILIONED VERMIFUGE** and gave her a teaspoonful in the morning and another at night after which she passed seventy-two worms and was a well child. Since then I have never been without it in my family. The health of my children remained so good that I had neglected watching their actions until about three weeks ago, when two of them presented the same sickly appearance that Fanny did nine years ago. So I thought it must be worms, and went to work at once with your Vermifuge around the table, and gave **FUGUE** between four of my children, their ages being as follows: Alice, 8 years; Charles, 7 years; Emma, 6 years; John, 9 years. Now comes the result: Alice and Emma came out all right, but Charles passed forty-five and Johnny about sixty worms. The result was so gratifying that I spent two days in showing the wonderful effect of your Vermifuge around the table, and gave have the worms on exhibition in my store.  
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**Equalization of County Assessment.**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Assessment roll of property liable to be taxed in Clatsop County for the year 1882, will be completed by the first Monday in October, 1882; and the County Court pursuant to law has fixed that day as the time for all persons interested to examine the same at the County Clerk's office in the Court House in Astoria, in said county, and to note objections thereto if any they shall be.  
W. W. PARKER,  
County Assessor for Clatsop Co., Or.  
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