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Captain McIntyre, who was in command of the Port Carlisle last year when that vessel was here, has been promoted to the position of overlooker for the entire "Port" line of ships. In a letter from Liverpool to a friend in Portland, he announces that he is once more a landsman and prepared to spend the rest of his days enjoying the comforts of a home on shore. Captain McIntyre has spent many years at hard service on the sea and well deserved his promotion. He reports the home voyage uneventful except for the suicide of an old sailor, who jumped overboard. The Invermore, Captain McIntyre writes, had a bad time of it. When two days out from Astoria her cargo shifted in a gale and 20 bulwark stanchions were carried away. Half the cargo of wheat was damaged.

The British bark Oakbank is finishing loading at the Greenwich dock this morning.

A new tug 75 feet long, 18 feet beam and 10 feet depth of hold has been ordered by H. H. Morrison & Company. Sandstrom, who built the tug Mystic, have the contract for the construction of the new vessel.

The merchandise in the bark Jennie Harkness is reported in first-class condition.

The British bark British Army will leave down from Portland some time this week.

The bark Kitty left yesterday morning to load lumber at Weidner's mill.

The steamer Augusta arrived in last night from Tillamook.

The Cascades arrived down last evening with two barge loads of rock for the jetty.

The steamer South Bend was dragged off the sands at Tillamook bay on Tuesday night, at high tide by the steamer Truckee. It appears that the captain lost his bearings and did not touch on the bar. The steamer was aground at Bay View, about ten miles from Tillamook.

MISSING LINKS.

The pulsation of an infant is from 130 to 140 beats a minute; of an old man 75 to 80.

In Norway the average length of life is greater than in any other country on the globe.

In all the wars in which Britain has taken part she has won 82 per cent of the battles.

The average weight of the male infant at birth is seven pounds; of the female six and one-half.

A convict in the Vermont state prison received \$12,000 for a piece of real estate a few days ago.

A cow at Audrain county, Missouri, has been giving eleven gallons of milk daily for the past two years.

The most wonderful vegetable in the world is the truffle; it has neither roots, stem, leaves, flowers nor seeds.

The highest inhabited place in the world is the custom-house of Ancumarca, in Peru, 16,000 feet above the sea.

A thousand millions of the animalcules found in stagnant water do not collectively equal the size of a grain of sand.

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The canon of the Colorado is 300 miles long, and the cliffs on either side are from 5,000 to 6,000 feet above the water.

The oldest statue in the world is of the shiek of an Egyptian village. It is believed to be not less than 6,000 years old.

A Russian immigrant arrived the other day clad in a long coat made from the skins of more than 1,000 Russian mice.

The smallest bird is the West India hummingbird. Its body is less than an inch long, and weighs only 20 grains.

A cloth of very fine texture is made from the bark of the paper tree, a mulberry growing on the south sea islands.

The amount of air that a man will inhale in twenty-four hours will fill seventy-three hogs-heads and weigh fifty-three pounds.

A writer calculates that it takes eight times the strength to go upstairs that is required for the same distance on the level.

The nautilus is a genuine sailor, having a membrane for a sail, a perfectly formed boat and a set of antennae for paddles and rudder.

A flea is provided with a genuine lancet, the knife is closed in a case in the head of the insect, the case opening sideways, like that of a razor.

Near Tranquebar, on the southeastern coast of India, there is a species of fish which not only is able to walk on level ground but can climb trees.

The largest cut stones in the world are in the Temple of the Sun at Baalbec. Many are more than 60 feet long, 20 feet broad and of unknown depth.

The "Literary Ladies" of England, whose annual banquet is one of the events of the London season, have properly changed their official name to the "Women Writers."

It has been estimated that a bell of common size, whose sound would penetrate a distance of three to five miles on shore, could, if submerged in the sea, be heard over sixty miles.

It will scarcely be believed that wheat is sold in the United Kingdom under nearly two hundred different systems of weight. There is almost as much diversity in regard to barley and oats. The result is that quotations from the

various markets create bewilderment and confusion even in the minds of experts.

Near Liskeard, in Cornwall, is a strange natural phenomenon. A pile of rock 32 feet high, shaped like a top, is balanced on the smaller end. It is quite immovable, though apparently a very slight effort would upset its equilibrium.

The Domesday Book, written on vellum and preserved in the British museum, is one of the oldest and most curious books possessed by any nation. It is a complete record of English landowners and of their estates, stocks and other property.

The Aderbach rocks, in Bohemia, cover some fifteen miles. They are formed of sandstone, and are interspersed with a perfect maze of passages shut in by smooth walls of such similarity that to keep one's bearings is no easy matter.

There are actually horse marines in the service of the United States, but these are merely those officers who are entitled by rank to ride. If they go on shipboard they do not take their horses with them. Majors, lieutenant colonels and colonels in the corps have horses.

One of the paying professions of Paris is said to be that of a trunk packer. In many of the little trunk shops you can hire a man who will pack your trunks artistically, folding expensive goods and other garments in tissue paper, and stowing away delicate bric-a-brac in the safest way.

A professional acrobat finds employment at the zinc mines in Ogdensburg, N. J. His services are required in getting out snarls and removing obstructions from the cables and electric wires used about the ore cars, which are run on steep grades. He can walk on a tight rope when necessary.

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