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MISTAKES OF SCIENTISTS

Faraday and Airy Made Errors About Submarine Cable and Newcomb About Aeroplanes.

Sir Humphrey Davy's dogmatic pronouncement against gas lighting is not the only instance of a clever scientist being hopelessly wrong. The early history of submarine cabling furnishes two striking examples. Consulted on the scientific side of the project, Faraday asserted that the first cables were made too small. Then he said that "the larger the wire, the more electricity would be required to charge it," and in this quite wrong opinion he was supported by other eminent electricians. As a result of this dictum the current was increased until the operation literally "electrocuted" the wire and the cable broke down. It was Lord Kelvin who by sending messages through heavy cables with incredibly weak electric currents proved that Faraday was mistaken.

Sir G. B. Airy submitted the project to mathematics and arrived at the conclusion that a cable could not be submerged to the necessary depth, and that if it could no recognizable signal could ever travel from Ireland to Nova Scotia. In aviation Professor Newcomb, one of the cleverest mathematicians America has produced, who died last year, declared that he had mathematically investigated all the conditions operating against the heavier than air machine and was convinced that the aeroplanes would never be more than a scientific toy; and the possibility of an aeroplane motor being reliable in the reduced atmosphere pressure above 3,000 feet was by several experts said to be out of the question a few months ago. Drexel's car-bureter was certainly a bit erratic above the clouds last week, but he rose to an altitude of 6750 feet.

Mothers will find Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup the best remedy to use for their children during the teething period.

EYE NOT PATRIOTIC ENOUGH

Oculist's Second Attempt Procures for Him Decoration From Haitian Emperor.

During the reign of Emperor Souleouge in Haiti one of his generals wrote to an eminent oculist in Paris ordering a glass eye. The oculist flattered himself that a successfully constructed artificial optic would secure for him a decoration of honor by the Haitian government; accordingly, he devoted his entire skill to the production of a work of art.

Six months after the shipment of the eye to Haiti, the oculist received a small box from Haiti. In his imagination he pictured the golden testimonial to his skill, so it was with horror that, when he had unwound the folds of cotton in the box, he saw returned his work of art. A letter accompanied the box. Among other things it said: "The eye you have forwarded me is of a tint that resembles that of the Spanish flag, and I am too patriotic to wear any but the color of my country."

Whereupon the oculist proceeded at once to the admiralty, where he ascertained the colors of the Haitian flag. He then immediately manufactured a scarlet and green eye, of the approved shades, and forwarded it to the emperor, who was much pleased with the effort and who duly decorated the oculist.

The Ruins of Yucatan.
There is in Yucatan a chain of ruins three hundred miles long where once stood buildings richly decorated and erected with a vast amount of architectural knowledge. The buildings belong to the Stone Age, when the figures were carved with pieces of flint. The people of this age had not the use of either bronze or iron.

Where One Cannot Drown.
In the Great Salt lake people are not drowned through sinking, but stranded while still afloat. The bitter water may enter the air passages with fatal effect, but the body floats until it reaches the shore and is picked up.—Harper's Weekly.

Old Colliery Closed.
Tranent colliery, Haddingtonshire, from which coal has been taken for nearly 700 years, was closed recently. For many years women went down the mines at Tranent and worked with the men. One or two old women who were formerly engaged in the mines are still living in the district.—London Daily Mail.

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MODEST TOMB OF GARIBALDI

Expressed Desire of Italian Patriot Disregarded After Death by Friends and Relations.

There is in Caprera a peculiar scent of resin and incense baked in the sun, and it is precisely this sun, not as in Africa, which brings out the aroma of the lentisk of the low-growing pines and of the myrtles, says the Glasgow Herald.

The pungent perfume of these island shrubs explains the desire expressed by Garibaldi in all his wills (not excepting the last in 1877) to have his body burned on a funeral pile of the wood of the island "before letting any one know of his decease." In the open air, his face turned to the sun like Pompeius, and then to have the ashes placed in the wall behind the tomb of his little grandchildren, Anita and Rosita, and beneath the shade of a leafy acacia.

But when he died, his will was disregarded by friends and relations, and against this profanation Giuseppe Carducci, the greatest of modern Italian poets, has protested—a protest approved by the most eminent men of science and of the democracy. Thus the body of the hero was embalmed and placed in a tomb covered by an enormous block of Caprera granite and inscribed on it only the name, Garibaldi.

A tomb worthy indeed of the hero and which reminds the visitor of the modest grave of Gladstone's father in the little cemetery at Leith, near Edinburgh. Garibaldi's resting place is in an olive wood between the general's house and the seashore. Five other tombs surround his now, those of Menotti and Mauro, his eldest and his youngest sons; of his daughter Teresita, wife of General Canzio, and of Rosita and Anita. A sailor of the Italian navy mounts guard at the tomb.

In his home at Caprera Garibaldi rose very early in the morning and with his hat well pulled down over his eyes proceeded by a tiny footpath to a prominence and thence admired the wide view of sea and horizon. After his morning walk he returned home in a cheerful frame of mind, had a kind word for everybody and went with the peasants to look after the cultivation of his fields.

During the last years of his life, being crippled hand and foot by arthritis, he seldom left his room, but he sat with the windows open and the sparrows hopped in and took food from his hand. On his deathbed he had the windows opened to let two little tame turtledoves into his room. He generally dined at noon, then played a game of draughts; after that he dictated his correspondence or some lines from memory, retired to bed at 9 and there read his favorite authors.

Both Strangers.

A convivial person from somewhere up-state was manoeuvring home from a banquet in this city, where the sons of a certain county had made merry. He lost his bearings—all streets looking alike to him—and paused under a lamp post. He wasn't sure whether it was a café signal, an arc light, a comet or the moon. He was inclined somehow to the belief that it was the moon—the moon in the middle of many.

Presently, as the convivial gentleman was swaying on his heels, another well-reefed person came along, and, after the manner of ships in distress, hove to alongside and regarded the light of the lamp post with the first man.

"Wash trouble, ol' fel'?" asked the newcomer.

"She 'ere," said the first convivial one, "whar I wan t'know 's thish; ish thar light a lamposh or ish it th' moon—h'?"

The convivial newcomer swayed on his heels and studied the light for a long time. Finally he said with profound gravity: "Don' know, ol' fel'. Am a stranger here m' self!"—New York Times.

Kingsley's Pebble Ridge.

Readers and admirers of Charles Kingsley will learn with regret that his beloved "Pebble Ridge" at Westward Ho! has suffered serious damage from the recent gales.

This remarkable barrier is about fifty feet wide and twenty feet high, and extends in a straight line for about two miles from the distant cliffs to the mouth of the Taw, like an artificial embankment. It is a singularly uniform and compact structure, formed of rounded slate, stones or pebbles, varying from six inches to two feet in diameter. Formerly the "potwallopers," as the neighboring commoners are opprobriously called, used to vindicate their rights by replacing the scattered stones every Whit Monday, but of recent years this laudable practice has disastrously fallen into desuetude.—Pall Mall Gazette.

Ducks Driven by Hunger Into Harbor.

Owing to stress of weather outside, where they generally dwell in security from mankind, a large number of coots, black ducks and king elders have come up into the slack water above Martin's Point bridge and are trying to find means of sustaining life until warmer weather opens up their regular feeding places.

It will be recalled that a few years ago the flats, even up through the bridge, were frozen over and nothing but hand feeding for a number of days saved large numbers of these fine birds from starvation. It may be necessary to resort to the same treatment again, for the flats above the bridge are pretty well ice up and only a small section of open water and moist ground remains for the birds.—Portland Argus.

WHERE WOMEN ARE BANNED

No Female of Any Sort Has Been Allowed on Mount Athos for Many Centuries.

For centuries past, Duke Max zu Sachsen informs us, women have not been allowed on the Turkish peninsula. Even female animals are prohibited. Condensed milk is imported from Switzerland, so that the eyes of the inhabitants may not be offended by the sight of a cow.

The peninsula is Mount Athos, and its inhabitants are the members of 20 monasteries, which have existed there since the days when Christian emperors held rule at Constantinople and gave laws to all Europe. For 1,400 or 1,500 years, let us say, no woman has trodden the ground of Mount Athos.

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It seemed low in the water, but too much like the real thing to be a mirage, so the captain ran toward it. It proved to be land, right enough; an island covered with trees and thick low underbrush. Birds and a few monkeys were seen upon it, but no other signs of life. These precluded the possibility of the island being of volcanic origin, and leads the captain to claim it as a floating island. He believes that it was washed out to sea from delta of the Rio de la Plata or the Negro, and that the undergrowth was so thick that its roots held the whole together.

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