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The Age of the Earth.

The earth's age, like that of the proverbial spinster, must, I suppose, be deemed uncertain, or at least (as in the case of the census paper) we must allow a fair margin for probabilities. The geologists on the one hand are supposed to make very big drafts indeed on the bank over which Father Time presides; while the physicists on the other hand insist on more moderate demands being formulated. The latest explorer in this field of inquiry is Mr. Clarence King, a well known American geologist, who seems to lean to the side of the physicists in this matter. Of course everybody starts with the earth as a gaseous mass and everybody gets to the earth as a cooling globe, which is certain in time to become a burnt out cinder like the moon.

From researches on the effects of heat and pressure as applied to a cooling orb, Mr. King concludes that Lord Kelvin's estimate of the earth's age is very near the mark. According to Mr. King the age of our world is to be set down as not exceeding some 24,000,000 years, which, I venture to say, is so entirely unthinkable a number that nobody may feel intellectually perturbed if a few millions more be added or a few millions be subtracted from the amount.—Dr. Andrew Wilson in London Illustrated News.

Gorgeous Moving Vans.

One sees a good many big vans on the streets—the vans that in the last few years have almost entirely replaced trucks and express wagons and taken the sting from the list of May. These monster vehicles are lined with padding and are attended by expert workmen, so that it is no longer true that three removals are as bad as a fire. A curious thing about these vans is that they have recently burst out into the most florid illustration. In Brooklyn the pictures are more numerous and conspicuous than they are in New York. They cover the whole side of the van and are often well painted. The subjects are usually patriotic, and it is difficult to see the relation between moving and "Farragut Passing the Forts," "The Surrender of Lee," "The Surrender of Cornwallis," "Washington at Mount Vernon," "The Monitor and Merrimac" and "The Departure of a Colored Regiment."—New York Sun.

The Panama Silk Tree.

One of the greatest curiosities of the Panama isthmus is the vegetable silk tree. It is a plant that grows from 15 to 30 feet high, and in appearance does not differ greatly from other trees, but the inner bark is a perfect silky fiber, long, smooth and strong. The natives separated it by some method best known to themselves, the process somewhat resembling that of beating flax. When once it is separated and spun into threads, it can be woven into a fabric so closely resembling silk that it is difficult for any one not familiar with it to distinguish between the two. This species of silk goods is in high favor on the isthmus, and a Colombian belle is never happier than when she is arrayed in a gayly colored dress made from the trees in her father's yard.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

The Authorship of an Old Rhyme.

A paragraph is going the round of the provincial press attributing the well known lines, "Thirty Days Hath September," to a schoolmaster at Newcastle-on-Tyne, named Springmann, who flourished there during the early years of the present century. The blunder originated in a curious way. Eight or 10 years ago a biography of Springmann appeared in the Newcastle Weekly Chronicle, in which note was made of a practice which the old schoolmaster adopted of turning his lessons into rhymes, like the familiar lines "Thirty days," etc. Somebody, misreading the article, assumed that Springmann composed "the familiar lines," and has recently sent the error booming through the press.—Cor. Notes and Queries.

One of Edison's Prophecies.

Edison prophesied that before long editors will read off all copy into phonographs, editing as they go along. The composer will put the cylinder on another phonograph, and while listening to the dictation of the machine will transcribe the article directly by the keys of the mechanical typewriter.—Exchange.

The Beauty of a Persian Cat.

Perhaps the most peculiar fancy of travelers abroad is that of carrying from Persia the great blooded cats that are so hard to domesticate. However, as an up town housekeeper exclaims, "Of course one is a little afraid of them, but they do look stylish in a handsome library!"—New York Times.

Always Somebody to Complain.

There is always one discontented soul to lament over improvements, like the Scotchwoman who complained of the fresh water that had been introduced into the city. "Ah, but it's no like the old; it neither smells nor tastes!"

TERRIBLE ADULTERATION.

Samples of Various Kinds of Coffee That Were Not For Sale.

"While there is more or less swindling in all sorts of foods and drinks nowadays," said a traveling man in the reading room of a Detroit hotel the other evening, "the way in which coffee drinkers are cheated is nothing short of bold faced robbery. How much pure coffee do you suppose you get to the pound?"

"They wouldn't dare put in over four ounces of chicory," answered one of the group.

"Wouldn't, eh? It isn't a question of dare, but do. You speak as if chicory was the only thing used, whereas it is only one of a dozen ingredients. Chicory isn't harmful, but it has become too dear to be extravagantly used. I'm in the coffee trade, as you know, and I shouldn't give away the secrets, but let me tell you that where you get four ounces of real coffee to the pound you are in luck. The rest is made up of adulteration."

"But that's prepared coffee."

"Just so, but if you imagine there is no swindling in the berry you are sadly mistaken. Hold on a minute till I bring you down a few samples."

He went to his room and returned with three or four samples and spread them out on a paper and said:

"It isn't fair to the trade, but I depend on you not to give me away. Examine these roasted berries. This is a sample of our Old Government Java. See anything queer?"

"No," answered two or three voices after a brief inspection.

"I didn't expect you would. About one berry out of five is the real thing. The others are Rio, which have been fed through a machine and clipped to resemble Java. It's easy enough to deceive the public in prepared coffee or berries ready for grinding, but how about the green berries? Please examine them closely. All the same size and shape, aren't they?"

"Yes."

"Take 'em all for genuine Mocha, eh?"

"Yes."

"Of course you would! That's why we wax fat and grow rich. One-third of those berries are made in a machine out of a certain paste. Another third are pure Rio. It's what you might call a two-thirds swindle on a confiding public, but please don't give me away. I could sell that coffee for 14 cents a pound and make big profit. What do you think of it?"

This question was addressed to an old Detroit grocer who had been attracted to the group and was testing some of the berries between his teeth.

"Did you say 14?" asked the grocer.

"Yes."

"Please take my order for half a million pounds."

"W-hat!"

"Make it an even million while you are about it and telegraph to your house to begin shipping at once!"

"Gentlemen," said the coffee man as he carefully put away his samples, "I believe there is a bar in this house. I believe we are all thirsty. Suppose we all take a drink at my expense."

"But what about the order?" asked the grocer, with a smile.

"Nothing. These chaps were hungry for a yarn, and I was giving 'em one, and you were a mighty mean man to come along and let me down in this fashion."—Detroit Free Press.

The Tomato Is a Vegetable.

The question whether the tomato is a fruit or vegetable has finally been decided by the supreme court of the United States. Several years ago some imported tomatoes came through the custom house in New York city, when the collector classified them as vegetables and collected duty accordingly. The importers disputed this point and claimed tomatoes to be fruit and entitled to come in free. The matter was taken into court, which decided in favor of the collector's claim that the tomato is a vegetable.—St. Louis Republic.

A Cement For Iron and Stone.

Lavaoid is a cement for iron and stone that is now being introduced by a Vienna firm. The Austrian authorities speak of the compound in the highest terms. It consists of sulphur, iron, silicic acid and alumina, and it is used in a molten condition. Its applications in iron and stone work are stated to be numerous. It serves also as an electric insulator. It melts at 135 degrees C. and cools quickly.—New York Telegram.



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Compassion For a Companion.

This story is at present making the round of the German musical press: When the composer Schulze was captured by brigands in the Abruzzi, they demanded one of his own compositions from him, with the result that he sang an aria from his latest opera. But before it was ended the entire band burst into tears, and their captain, offering his hand to Schulze, released him with the words: "So you, too, steal? I never exact anything from a colleague!"

England's Powerful Gun.

There is a gun in the British navy, a 23-ton Armstrong, which hurls a solid shot a distance of 12 miles, the highest point in the arc described by the shot being 17,000 feet above the earth's surface. The discharge of the gun cannot be heard at the place where the ball strikes.—St. Louis Republic.

In Wyoming is a mound of rock and earth standing alone in the middle of a plain called Church butte. It is of most fantastic shape and looks in the distance like the ruins of some grand old cathedral.

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Ideals of Physical Perfection.

Some years ago, in an article on "The Cradle of the Semites," I had occasion to study the ideals of male and female beauty shadowed forth in the erotic composition known as the "Song of Songs," or the "Song of Solomon," in the Old Testament. It dates from about 250 B. C. There the male is portrayed as "white and ruddy," his hair black and curly, his eyes gray ("like doves washed with milk"), his stature tall. He describes his bride as "fair all over, without a spot," slender, "like a palm tree" (not fat, as modern oriental beauties), her hair "as a flock of goats," that is, wavy and light brown, probably, her lips red, "like a thread of scarlet."

The interesting feature in both these descriptions is that they point much more to the blonde than to the brunette type as that which hovered before the imagination of the sons and daughters of Israel as the realization of their amorous dreams.—Cor. Science.

The Influence of the Roman Pantheon.
For five centuries the Roman world turned to the Pantheon, till out of it arose a new art in Constantinople. Then in the fifteenth century, at the revival, the humanist artists turned again to this same great work. It gave rise first to the dome of Florence, and then to the dome of St. Peter's, 150 years later. From St. Peter's the dome spread all over the world—the Pantheon and the Invalides at Paris, St. Paul's in London, the capitol at Washington, the Isaac church at St. Petersburg are mere imitations of St. Peter's. And thus from the Pantheon has sprung the architecture which from Chilly to Chicago, from the British islands to the Turkish empire, from St. Petersburg to Sicily, is seen in a thousand varieties and in ten thousand examples.—Fortnightly Review.

Encountered Everything Else.
Brown—I am sorry that you met with opprobrium on your recent dramatic tour.

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