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ONE DAY.

The empty house is sad, and dark, and still... I look along the road--no shadow falls; My heart beats fast, but still no loud voice calls--

THE STORY OF A WIG.

A Funny Incident Which Occurred at the Theatre in Paris--Humiliation. The mention of Cambridge reminds me, although the connection is not very close, how a party of Americans were taken through a European tour last summer by a professor living in that classic town, from whom, it may be well to state, I did not hear this story.

To Erase Grease Spots.

A mixture to erase grease spots: Equal parts of strong ammonia water, ether and alcohol form a valuable cleaning compound.

Dainty cards announcing new arrivals in fashionable families are now sent out to those supposed to be interested in the event, and from whom a silver cup, coral beads, spoon, or an amber necklace may be expected, perhaps.

Sixty Chicago girls organized a co-operative establishment for making men's clothing for wholesale dealers.

If you have such a thing as a corn, roll a lemon until soft, cut off a thick slice, bind on at night. It may soften by one application.

It is stated that Italy has declared its seventeen universities open to women.

Queen Margaret of Italy does all her shopping in person, with no more fuss than any of her subjects, and goes early in the day so avoid the crowd.

AN OLD TIME ACROBAT.

THE CAREER OF THE ONCE FAMOUS HENRY M. MAJILTON.

His Fall from a Trapeze--The Wonder of Showmen--Reminiscences of Old Circus Days--Saved Money and Has a Fair Competence.

In a cosy home in Ellsworth street lives Henry M. Majilton, who for thirteen years of his early life was the wonder of showmen and who has been for twenty-five years more than a wonder to those who knew him because of the marvelous cheeriness with which he has endured a life of physical inanity caused by a paralysis of his lower extremities, the result of a spinal dislocation following a fall while doing a flying trapeze act in the London Alhambra in March, 1861.

His first venture in "the business" was in 1848, when he was engaged as a "bumbler" by Aaron Turner, whose circus started from Hamilton, O., and worked the season east through New York and New England. His salary was \$9 a week and found, and the best performers in the show did not get more than three times the sum.

"JOCKO" HIS GREAT CHARACTER.

The original of the character was Henry Leech, an Englishman, whose professional name was Otto Mottl. His body was of the size of an ordinary man's, but his legs were only a foot long, yet such was his agility that he could outrun, on all fours, a very fair runner.

THE BRAHMIN AS AN AUTOCRAT.

To study Brahminism, its mysticism, its almost fatal influence either on its devotees or upon those wretched people who are not of that faith and who from that unfortunate circumstance are according to the Brahminical theory "better than dogs, one must go to South India. There one will learn that the Brahmin is an autocratic aristocrat, and that neither merit, wealth, nor bravery, nor talent can place any man not a Brahmin on the same pedestal on which crouches the meanest natured man of his divine origin.

THE POLE AND ITS TORCH.

When located by Sir James Ross in 1821 the north magnetic pole was on the west side of the peninsula of Boothia Felix, some 1,400 miles farther to the west than the geographical pole or axis. Since then, however, its position must have changed some hundreds of miles, as, from some unknown cause, it is not stationary, but is moving westward at a rate which takes it around the earth on a particular parallel in 1,000 to 2,000 years.

PECULIAR KIND OF ROCK.

A peculiar natural substance has been found in Georgia--a yellow material, very much like beeswax, which, when shaved off with a knife, rolls up like that article. It is a kind of rock, and while there is nothing about it that burns, it becomes as hard as flint when heated.

ENGLISH CIVILIZATION.

Archdeacon Farrar says that "in India the English have made 100 drunkards for one Christian."

THE FAMOUS ROMAN CARNIVAL.

A Once Magnificent Festival That Has Lost Its Charm.

An eminent Frenchman was lately asked why his fellow countrymen were fast losing their rollicking humor and usual buoyancy of spirits. "Because, sir," was the reply, "they drink too much Bavarian beer!"

RAISING CHICKENS NATURALLY.

Of all the work connected with poultry, none is more troublesome or tedious than the looking after sitting hens and their nests while incubating.

WHOM WE ARE INDEBTED FOR THE FOLLOWING FACTS RELATIVE TO ITS CULTIVATION, IS A SPECIES OF AGAVE.

It is best propagated by cuttings, the young plants being allowed to grow at will until three years old, after which they are transplanted into regular rows and fields. Eight years are given them to mature into plants able to bear the cutting, and then the profits of this patient waiting will continue to flow uninterruptedly for many years if moderate care is exercised.

POTATO SCAB.

The skin of the healthy potato tuber consists of a layer of cork cells of uniform thickness, and when the skin is injured or a portion of it cut away, the wound heals by the formation of a new layer of cork, which reproduces itself in a manner very similar to what takes place when the skin of an animal forms again over a wound.

THE SECOND BATCH OF SITTING HENS SHOULD BE SET IN THE NEXT COMPARTMENT.

So that they all come out together in the same way as the first. The house should be well ventilated every day, and never be tightly closed. As the hens hatch they should be removed with the chicks to their coops where it is intended to raise them.

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COAST CULLINGS.

Devoted Principally to Washington Territory and California.

A W. Culp's hotel at Elvina, Cal., was burned. Loss, \$5,000.

Thirty-five cases of spotted fever are reported in Paradise, Nev.

Salt Lake City will shortly be lighted with incandescent electric lights.

A rabbit cannery is said to be in successful operation at Nampa, I. T.

W. E. Wright was drowned while bathing in the surf at Euclinas, Cal.

Sagebrush is still the fuel used at the mining works in Tuscarora, Nev.

James Hansen committed suicide with strychnine at Santa Monica, Cal.

Joshua Raffner, watchman at Sand Point, W. T., was drowned in Clarke's Fork.

A teamster and nine horses were burned to death in a fire at Redwood City, Cal.

August Hoffman blew himself to pieces with a shotgun in San Diego county, Cal.

A thief broke into the postoffice at Gardfield and stole \$100 worth of stamps and \$50 in money.

Queen Victoria has sent \$100 to the fund for the erection of a home for girls in Los Angeles.

At Stockton, Cal., Loyd Harrison shot and killed William Foran during a quarrel over a foot race.

Hugh Phillips, of Klickitat county, W. T., has German carp in his pond, weighing twenty pounds each.

Mrs. Gustavus Murbard died of apoplexy while bathing in the Columbia river near La Camas, W. T.

A skull was washed ashore near Lewiston, I. T., on the Clearwater. It was doubtless that of an Indian.

Louis Napoleon, Chief of the Puyallup Indians, died and was buried at the reservation near Puyallup, W. T.

E. S. Spence, ex-Mayor of Los Angeles, has subscribed \$50,000 toward an astronomical observatory for Southern California.

John M. Wilson, son of H. C. Wilson, of Red Bluff, Cal., shot himself through the heart. No cause is assigned for the deed.

A young son of J. S. Yoacham, of Watsonville, Cal., fell from a tree and his head was impaled on a picket fence, fatally injuring him.

Wild pigeons are numerous on the fields and timber between Centralia and Chehalis. Many hunters are killing them, but still their number increases.

The Sacramento Knights of Labor give notice that they will prosecute violators of the law forbidding the purchase of Chinese products for public institutions.

Michael Spearman, who was employed in the Pacific Rolling Mills on the Protrero, near San Francisco, was instantly killed while adjusting a belt on one of the pulleys.

A cable railroad and water company, with \$150,000 capital stock, has been incorporated at Seattle. It proposes to supply the town with water as well as with street railroads.

Trains will pass over the switchback on the Cascade branch at the rate of seven miles an hour. It is pronounced perfectly safe if no faster time is made than eight miles an hour.

Eugene Wenzler, a baker, of Butte, M. T., while his wife was away on a three weeks' visit married another girl. Wife No. 1 discovered the fact and Wenzler now languishes in jail.

The damage done to Shaw's Hot Springs at Carson, Nevada, by the recent earthquake appears to be permanent. They are going dry. Steamboat Springs are also nearly ruined.

Frank Forrest, an Ellensburg (W. T.) hotel keeper, made a brutal attack on his wife a short time ago, but was knocked down by a rolling pin in the hands of a spectator, and is now in jail under \$3,500 bonds.

Following is about the size of the leading cities of California at present: San Francisco, 310,000; Los Angeles, 50,000; Oakland, 45,000; Sacramento, 30,000; Stockton, 20,000; San Jose, 16,000; San Diego, 12,000.

A brutal stabbing affray occurred at Old Yakima, W. T. A man named Richmond, a teamster, and well known as a brutal, violent man when he knew the advantage, stabbed a man named Bell in the groin with a bowie knife and then ripped the knife upward cutting the man's liver half in two. As the man fell the savage again struck him in the back, inflicting another wound.

Small pieces of rock from a big blast completely riddled the roof of O. H. Blount's store in the Siskiyou, and one large rock entirely demolished the front porch. By the same blast a freight wagon 300 yards away on the road, heavily loaded with cement, was struck by a flying rock and knocked over off the road and down the grade. The driver had been warned, and took his eight horses away before the shot was fired.