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In some parts of the earth people eat the dirt, which is found to possess nutritive qualities. The substance is known as mountain meal. The Indians on the banks of the Amazon river use this meal as food during times when other food is scarce. It is made up into a dough and baked as bread. Chemists have analyzed this substance, and find it to be composed of the remains of Infusoria, and it is this animal matter yet remaining that makes it available as food.

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OTTAWA, Ont., July 18.—A sensation has been caused by the discovery that Sir John Macdonald, in his will, bequeathed capital stock in the Canadian Pacific railway to his wife. The fact that the head of the government, which gave the company about \$100,000,000 of public money, had a block of its stock in the name of a New York broker, shatters the idea of the personal prudence and poverty of the old man.

RAILROAD ACCIDENT.

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LONDON, July 18.—The English bank of River (limited) of which Southey is managing director has suspended payment. The capital of the bank is \$7,500,000. The institution has resources amounting to \$2,100,000. The cause of the difficulty is the impossibility of collecting debts due in the Argentine Republic.

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Short Bills Passed by Parliament.

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The Capitol dome at Washington is the only considerable dome of iron in the world. It is a vast hollow sphere weighing 8,000,000 pounds. How much is that? More than 4,000 tons, or almost the weight of 70,000 full grown persons, or about equal to 1,000 laden coal cars of four tons each, which, if strung out one behind the other, would occupy a mile and a half of track.

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