The Supply of Nickel.

Small quantities of nickel are obtained from various localities in the United States and other countries, but the world's chief supply is said to have come thus far from the mines of a French company in New Caledonia, whose output has been about 1,000 tons yearly. At the copper mines near Sudbury, Ont., however, nickel has now been found in such quantity that Dr. Peters has offered to produce 2,000 tons of the metal annually. Late discoveries of nickel ore have also been made in the Ural. The increase in the supply of this metal is expected to bring into extensive use the valuable alloys of nickel with steel and with copper.

Glass Water Pipes.

Although glass pipes of large diameter have not as yet been successfully produced, the opinion appears to be entertained by those engaged in the manufacture of glass on a large scale, and who have made the subject one of thorough investigation, that the time is not far distant, and it is believed that, made in similar form to the present cast-iron pipes, with some suitable mechanism for a joint, and of malleable glass, a water pipe would be formed which would possess some special advantages, and to which there would seem to be no objection. Strong, tough, smooth, and indestructible, and made of material that is found in abundance almost everywhere, it is thought not improbable that in time such a system of operations will have been devised that, whenever a large quantity of pipe is required in a certain locality, a furnace will there be erected, and the pipe be made on the spot.

Robbing by Electricity.

A novel and somewhat scientific scheme for relieving ladies of their purses has been successfully carried out by a gang of thieves along Milwaukee avenue and adjoining streets, Chicago.

The scheme is to give the victim a violent electric shock, thus temporarily paralyzing her.

The most recent victim was Mrs. Jacobsen, a professional nurse. She was returning home. As she passed in the shadow of a building two men brushed against her. One of them touched her wrist with a piece of metal. She at once received a violent electric shock that caused her to let go her purse and several bundles, and sent her reeling against the building. She was so dazed for the moment that she did not realize what had happened.

As soon as she recovered from the effects of the shock she began to look around for her purse and bundles. They were not in sight. Then it dawned upon her that she had been robbed. The two men who had passed her were just turning on Milwaukee avenue. Quickening her steps, she followed them, hoping to meet an officer that she might have them placed under arrest. At Chicago avenue she quit the pursuit and ran to the police station and told what had occurred. An officer was sent out with her, but the men could not be found.

A singular exploit was recently performed at Pleasant Valley, a small town near Eittston, Penn., in the secret removal of a dwelling house from one lot to another without disturbing the slumbers of the inmates. John McLaughlin had the house built a year ago by Andrew Frolinger, a Scranton contractor. He gave Mr. Frolinger to understand that the lot was his and that he would pay him for the house as soon as finished. When the building was done McLaughlin refused to pay, and Frolinger then discovered that he didn't own the lot and never had owned it. He was unable therefore to legally seize the building, but went about it in another way. He bought a vacant lot next door, and the other evening came to Pleasant Valley with a force of twenty-five men. The house was a frame, and they jacked it up, put rollers under it, and moved it to Frolinger's lot, a distance of twenty-five feet, without waking the family inside. The house was occupied by a man named Canfield and his family, to whom McLaughlin had rented it. Having got the house on his lot Frolinger notified Canfield to pay the rent to him or vacate.

There is no accounting for it, the men say, but somehow the electric light stations swarm with rats. Big rats and little ones gather in the dynamo rooms and boiler rooms alike, and have great larks playing about the floors until the men get a little leisure for scientific experiments. The simplest of these experiments is to so arrange metal plates that the rats, in scampering about the room, complete the circuit through their bodies. That ends the rat's lark instantly. The current is sometimes modified so that it shocks without killing the brute. It is said that when one rat is shocked and let go the entire gang leaves the premises for a day or so, but either they forget about it and come back or a new lot takes their place, for the rat circus begins again in forty-eight hours.

A wealthy merchant who began life as a bootblack was once sneered at for having blacked shoes in his boyhood. "Didn't I shine them well?" was his answer—which points a moral that many might profit by.

In the medical museum, Washington, there are two skulls all cracked up like a couple of egg shells that had been knocked together. They formerly belonged to a couple of Norfolk (Va.) negroes who butted each other to death because a woman couldn't decide which of the two she liked best.

Ninety-year-old Jacob Reffner, farmer, near Ritchey Court House, W. Va., walked twenty miles one day last week, proposed marriage to Mrs. Ray, a 65-year-old widow, was accepted in half an hour, walked six miles to the above city to get a minister and license, and the knot was tied.

Several days the early part of last week the river banks at Johnstown, Pa., were lined with hundreds of people stirring in the sand and mud looking for valuable flood relics, which were thrown up by the high water. Among the things found were a $20 gold piece by one young man and a little girl picked up $6 in gold and silver.

Clot Bey, the founder of modern medicine in Egypt, says that it requires as much surgery to kill one Egyptian as seven Europeans, and there is no doubt that Egyptian, bear surgical operations with extraordinary pluck and success. A man in a native hospital who had his thigh amputated at 2 o'clock was sitting up and quite lively at 6.

Mrs. Mary G. Bland, died a year ago leaving $75,000, which she devised to the Rochester, (N. Y.) Humane Societies and certain missionary societies in New York City. The contestants of the will claim that the deceased was insane, and in proof thereof present evidence to show that she was a firm believer in the immortality of cats. She had four elegant specimens of the Persian variety and exercised great care in their keeping.

What is called the music or whistling tree is found in the West India Islands, in Nubia and Soudan. It has a peculiar shaped leaf, and pods with a split or open edge. The wind passing through these gives a sound, which gives the tree its name. In Barbadoes there is a valley filled with these trees, and when the trade winds blow across the island a constant moaning, deep-toned whistle is heard, which, in the still hours of night, has a weird and unpleasant effect.

A fourteen-year-old boy, living at Hookstown, Penn., went to a trap he had set for a fox and found a big wildcat in it. Johnny attempted to kill the animal with a club, but it sprang at him with such force that it broke the chain by which the trap was anchored and landed square with its fore-paws on the boy's chest, tearing the clothing away and sinking its claws in the little fellow's flesh. The boy stood his ground and killed the animal with a club.

Among the transfers filed in the record office at Washington, recently, was one of Agnes Holtz, transferring to George Wagner all her interest in her son Paul during his minority for a nominal consideration, the party of the second part agreeing to feed and clothe and give the boy a good common school education. There was some discussion as to the question under what head the paper should be filed, some claiming it was a lease, but it was finally concluded that as the boy was a movable property the chattel mortgage head was the proper one.

That a cat will suck a baby's breath is a belief of many people, and an incident that would seem to verify the belief took place in Beverly, Mass., recently. Mrs. Albert Whitney, living on Essex street, had given her little daughter, a child of two years, a drink of milk and laid her on the lounge to sleep. A half hour later Mrs. Whitney glanced into the room and was alarmed to see a large cat belonging to the family crouched on the little girl's breast, with its head close to her mouth. The mother screamed in terror and the cat ran away. The child was insensible and its face was purple. A physician was called and the little one was restored to consciousness.

A prominent physician of New York city recently declared that under ordinary circumstances everybody ought to live to be one hundred years old. He lays down no set rules for attaining longevity, but advises moderation in all things and adds: "Whether the jovial or the quiet person is apt to live the longest is perhaps a question. Some people are so solemn that they have not life enough to die and keep on earth to curse everybody they are acquainted with. It is not the length of time one lives but the good he does. Some men could live a hundred years and be of no benefit. Others could in twenty years accomplish wonders by their energy and the proper use of their abilities."

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Schedule taking effect February, 10th 1890.

TRAINS WEST.

LEAVE	1. P M. *	11. AM. †	15. AM. †	23. AM. †	29. P M †	53. AM. ‡	55. P M. ‡
New York	9.00	12.15		10.00			
Philadelphia	11.59	3.53		12.35			
Washington		6.35		2.10			
Baltimore	4.10	8.00	10.00	4.00	6.20	9.30	2.33
Arlington		8.25	10.25	4.22	6.47	9.52	2.58
Mt. Hope		8.28	10.28	4.26	6.50	9.56	3.01
Pikesville		8.36	10.36	4.33	7.00	10.04	3.10
Owings Mills		8.46	10.48	4.46	7.12	10.15	3.21
Glyndon	4.51	8.59	10.59	4.59	7.26	10.28	3.34
Emory Grove		9.00	11.00		7.27	10.29	3.37
Finksburg		9.13	11.12	5.12	7.39	10.41	3.47
Carrollton		9.26	11.25	5.25	7.52	10.55	4.00
Westminster	5.20	9.43	11.41	5.41	8.12	11.12	4.17
Avondale		9.58	11.48	5.48	8.20	11.20	4.25
New Windsor	5.33	10.03	11.58	6.01	8.35	11.35	4.39
Linwood		10.09	12.04	6.06	8.40	11.40	4.45
Union Bridge	5.41	10.16	12.09	6.13	8.45	11.45	4.50
Middleburg		10.23	P M.	6.18	P M	A M.	P M.
Frederick Jc.		10.25		6 22			
D. P. Creek		10.30		6.26			
Rocky Ridge		10.38		6.33			
Mechanicst'n	6.05	10.51		6.46			
Edgemont	6.44	11.45		7.35			
Waynesboro	17.55	12.02		7.53			
Chambersb'g	18.12	12.39		8.32			
Shippensburg	18.40	1.06		9.00			
Hagerstown	7.12	12 18		8.05			
Williamsport		12.32		8.20			
	A M.	P M.		P M.			

TRAINS EAST.

LEAVE	22. P M *	4. AM. †	8. AM. †	12. P M †	18. P M †	52. A M. ‡	54. P M. ‡
Williamsport			7.15		1.45		
Hagerstown	3.35		7.51		2.00		
Shippensburg			6.30		1.09		
Chamb'rsburg			7.01		1.39		
Waynesboro			7.37		2.13		
Edgemont			8.00		2.35		
Mechanicst'n	4.30		8.44		3.20		
Rocky Ridge			8.55		3.31		
D. P. Creek			9.03		3.38		
Frederick Jc.	4.50	5.38	9.07		3.44	6 16	
Middleburg		5 48	9.11		3.49	6.21	
Union Bridge	4.58	5.57	9.18	12.40	3.56	6.32	2.58
Linwood		6.03	9.22	12.44	4.00	6.38	4.03
New Windsor	5.06	6.11	9.28	12.50	4.06	6.47	4.09
Avondale		6.35		1.01	4.17	7.09	4.30
Westminster	5.19	6.39	9.47	1.05	4.24	7.19	4.38
Carrollton		6.57	10.01	1.19	4.41	7.36	4.44
Finksburg		7.11	10.11	1.29	4.53	7.44	4.57
Emory Grove		7.32	10.29	1.46	5.02	7.59	5.10
Glyndon		7.38	10.31	1.47	5.04	8.00	5.11
Owings Mills		7.50	10.32	1.58	5.17	8.15	5.26
Pikesville		8 02	10.41	2.08	5.27	8.27	5.37
Mt. Hope		8.12	10.47	2.15	5.35	8.36	5.46
Arlington		8.16	10.50	2.18	5.39	8.40	5.50
Baltimore	6.30	8.42	11.11	2.40	6.00	9.07	6.15
Washington			1.42		7.05		
Philadelphia	2.20		2.20		1100		
New York	4.50		4.50				
	P M.	A M.	P M.	P M.	P M	A M.	P M.

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