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...e who are going to turn back at the next corner.

The Turkish Lady.

We can hardly realize, writes a correspondent from Constantinople, the dull monotony of a Turkish lady's life. Every woman, rich or poor, with the least regard to her character must be in her house by sundown.

Only think of the long, dull winter afternoons and evenings when no friend can come near them, as all their female friends must be in their own houses, and male friends they cannot have. Even the men of their own family associate but little with them.

On the Bosphorus their caïques are a great resource to the Turkish ladies, but in Pera those of the upper classes can only go out, in closed carriages, to the Sweet Waters, occasionally accompanied by their husbands on horseback.

But they may speak to no one while driving; their own husbands and sons cannot even bow to them as they pass, and no one would venture to say a word to his own wife or mother when the carriage pulls up—the police would at once interfere. The highest mark of respect is to turn your back to a lady, and this is obligatory when any member of the Imperial harem passes.

What She Said to Melba.

A young girl, an ardent admirer of Madame Melba, at a reception given for the latter was so completely overcome by it ...e her turn to have a ...donna, that, blushlooking up with a swe... ...e, she murmured: "You sing, I believe?"—Philadelphia Public Ledger.

The Heat of the Earth.

...rin contends that the earth ...white hot 2,000 feet below the ...e or as cold as ice fifty feet below, without changing our present climate. He attributes the intensely hot ...ate of an earlier age to greater ...t of the sun.

...st gold coin in the world is ...a five-sovereign piece; the ...st is coined in Persia, and has a value of only 44 cents.

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Knocked Out.

It knocks out all calculations of attending to business in the right way for a day when we wake up in the morning sore and stiff. The disappointment lies in going to bed all right and waking up all wrong. There is a short and sure way out of it. Go to bed after a good rub with St. Jacobs Oil and you wake up all right; soreness and stiffness all gone. So sure is this that men much exposed in changeful weather keep a bottle of it on the mantel for use at night to make sure of going to work in good fix.

I know of no manner of speaking so offensive as that of giving praise and closing it with an exception.—Steele.

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...hat are the alms which are at the same ...e duties? They are the perfecting of ourselves and the happiness of others.—Kant.

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh That Contain Mercury.

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Consider how much more you often suffer from your anger and grief than from those things for which you are angry and grieved.—Marcus Antonius.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c.

If good people would but make their goodness agreeable, and smile instead of frowning in their virtue, how many would they win to the good cause.—Usher.

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Common sense is the knack of seeing things as they are, and doing things as they ought to be done.—C. E. Stowe.

Chew Star Tobacco -The Best.
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All false practices and affectations are more odious than any want or defect of knowledge can be.—Sprat.

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The readiest and surest way to get rid of censure is to correct ourselves.—Demosthenes.

Piso's Cure for Consumption has saved me many a doctor's bill.—S. F. HARDY, Hopkins Place, Baltimore, Md., Dec. 2, 1894.

...Aphorism.
...gret of making one's self tiresome ...know when to stop.—Voltaire.

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Hard Work Until ...illa Cured.

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...ed for ...Su... your ...dressing or a ...ndidate for happi... He will, like Moses, ...between rubies and living ...our influence will have much ...ith his decision. He may not, like ...oses, be the deliverer of a nation, but he may, after your father and mother are gone, be the deliverer of a household. What thousands of homes-to-day are piloted by brothers! There are properties now well invested and yielding income for the support of sisters and younger brothers because the older brother rose to the leadership from the day the father lay down to die. Whatever you do for your brothers will come back to you again.

Don't snub him. Don't depreciate his ability. Don't talk discouragingly about his future. Don't let Miriam get down off the bank of the Nile and wade out and upset the ark of bulrushes. Don't tease him.

Don't let jealousy ever touch a sister's soul, as it so often does, because her brother gets more honor or more means. Even Miriam, the heroine of the text, was struck by that evil passion of jealousy. She had possessed unlimited influence over Moses, and now he marries, and not only so, but marries a black woman from Ethiopia; and Miriam is so disgusted and outraged at Moses, first because he had married at all, and next because he had practiced miscegenation, that she is drawn into a frenzy, and then begins to turn white, and gets white as a corpse, and then whiter than a corpse. Her complexion is like chalk, the fact is, she has the Egyptian leprosy. And now the brother whom she had defended on the Nile comes to her rescue in a prayer that brings her restoration. Let there be no room in all your house for jealousy either to sit or stand. It is a leprous abomination. Your brother's success, O sisters, is your success. His victories will be your victories.

If you only knew it, your interests are identical. Of all the families of the earth that ever stood together, perhaps the most conspicuous is the family of the Rothschilds. As Mayer Anselm Rothschild was about to die, in 1812, he gathered his children about him—Anselm, Solomon, Nathan, Charles and James—and made them promise that they would always be united on 'Change. Obeying that injunction, they have been the mightiest commercial power on earth, and at the raising or lowering of their scepter nations have risen or fallen. That illustrates how much, on a large scale and for selfish purposes, a united family may achieve. But suppose that instead of a magnitude of dollars as the object, it be doing good, and making salutary impression, and raising this sunken world, how much more ennobling! Sister, you do ..., and brother will do his part. If ...watch the boat on the ...leprous dis-

General ... had in early life wandered, and the family supposed he was dead. ...ter he gained a fortune he encamped one day in Hussan, his native place, and made a banquet; and among the great military men who were to dine he invited a plain miller and his wife, who lived near by and who, affrighted, came, fearing some harm would be done them. The miller and his wife were placed one on each side of the General at the table. The General asked the miller all about his family, and the miller said that he had two brothers and a sister. "No other brothers?" "My younger brother went off with the army many years ago, and no doubt was long ago killed." Then the General said: "Soldiers, I am this man's younger brother, whom I thought was dead." And how loud was the cheer, and how warm was the embrace! Brother and sister, you need as much of an introduction to each other as they did. You do not know each other. You think your brother is grouty and cross and queer, and he thinks you are selfish and proud and unlovely. Both wrong! That brother will be a prince in some woman's eyes, and that sister a queen in the estimation of some man. That brother is a magnificent fellow, and that sister is a morning in June. Come, let me introduce you: "Moses, this is Miriam." "Miriam, this is Moses." Add seventy-five per cent. to your present appreciation of each other, and when you kiss good morning do not stick up your cold cheek, wet from the recent washing, as though you hated to touch each others lips in affectionate caress. Let it have all the fondness and cordiality of a loving sister's kiss.

I read of a child in the country who was detained at a neighbor's house on a stormy night by some fascinating stories that were being told him, and that, when he came out he saw it was so dark he did not dare go home. The incident impressed me the more because in my childhood I had much the same experience. The boy asked his companions to go with him, but they dared not. It got later and later—7 o'clock, 8 o'clock, 9 o'clock. "Oh," he said, "I wish I were home!" As he opened the door the last time a blinding flash of lightning and deafening roar overcame him. But after awhile he saw in the distance a lantern, and lo! his brother was coming to fetch him home, and the lad stepped out and with swift feet hastened on to his brother who took him home, where they were so glad to greet him, and for a long time supper had been waiting. So may it be when the night of death comes and our earthly friends can not go with us, and we dare not go alone; may our Brother, our elder Brother, our Friend closer than a brother, come to meet us with the light of the promises, which shall be a lantern to our feet; and then we will go in to join our loved ones waiting for us, supper all ready, the marriage supper of the Lamb!

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FOR GIRLS.

Rev. Dr. Talmage Preaches Directly to the Sisters.

TEXT: "And his sister stood afar off to witness what would be done to him."—Exodus ii., 4.

Princess Thermutis, daughter of Pharoah, looking out through the lattice of her bathing-house on the banks of the Nile, saw a curious boat on the river. It had neither oar nor helm, and they would have been useless anyhow. There was only one passenger, and that a baby boy. The boat was made of the broad leaves of papyrus, tightened together by bitumen. "Kill all the Hebrew children born," had been Pharoah's order. To save her boy, Jochebed, the mother of little Moses, had put him in in that queer boat and launched him. His sister, Miriam, stood on the bank watching that precious craft. She was far enough off not to draw attention to the boat, but near enough to offer protection. There she stands on the bank—Miriam, the poetess; Miriam, the quick-witted; Miriam, the faithful; though very human, for in after time she demonstrated it.

Oh, was not Miriam, the sister of Moses, doing a good thing, an important thing, a glorious thing when she watched the boat woven of river plants and made water-tight with asphaltum, carrying its one passenger? Did she not put all the ages of time and of a coming eternity under obligation when she defended her helpless brother from the perils aquatic, reptilian and ravenous? She it was that brought that wonderful babe and its mother together, so that he was reared to be the deliverer of his nation, when otherwise, if saved at all from the rushes of the Nile, he would have been only one more of the God-defying Pharoahs; for Princess Thermutis, of the bathing-house, would have inherited the crown of Egypt; and, as she had no child of her own, this adopted child would have come to coronation. Had there been no Miriam there would have been no Moses. What a garland for a faithful sisterhood!

Miriam was the oldest of the family; Moses and Aaron, her brothers, were younger. Oh the power of the elder sister to help, decide the brother's character for usefulness and for heaven! She can keep off from her brother more evils than Miriam could have driven back water-fowl or crocodiles from the ark of bulrushes. The older decides the direction in which the ... shall sail. By gentleness, by ...ristian principle she can ... not of a wicked ...nd a brighter ... him out ...

...ntel, but n... ...barefoot horse much on rough ...s. When the hoofs are worn and broken short, it is a very difficult matter to properly drive a shoe, and when roads are icy—why, many a horse has suffered a $50 sprain for lack of fifty cents' worth of shoeing.—The Epitomist.

He Grows Tea.

J. M. Hodnet, a progressive farmer living near Lilac on the dividing line between Milam and Williamson Counties, Texas, says that the Chinese tea plant grows luxuriantly on his farm, even in the fence corners, and requires no cultivation, save being kept free from weeds. The plants come up voluntarily every year, spread rapidly and by the uninitiated would often be mistaken for noxious weeds. As an experiment Mr. Hodnet imported the seed several years ago from Oriental China through our Ambassador. He now gathers the leaves, dries and uses them in making a most palatable tea, almost if not quite equal to the imported product.—New York Times.

Improved Pekin Ducks of America.

The portraits of Pekin ducks shown in the large picture are of the best type now reared at the large duck farms which send immense quantities of ducklings to the best paying Eastern markets. These long, deep-keeled ducks have been much improved by these extensive rearers, as they have learned that the very best bodied ducks, that mature the earliest, are the kind that can make the most money for them. There are few who realize the magnitude of the business carried on by these establishments, operated exclusively for the production of ducks



FLOCK OF IMPROVED AMERICAN PEKIN DUCKS.

for the market, and especially for the rearing of early ducklings, several of them shipping upward of 10,000 ducklings by midsummer, and some of them producing more than 20,000 in the season. The prices realized for the earliest ducklings marketed might seem almost fabulous, but that they are well earned is evident to any one who will visit these farms and see the work and the great care, as well as expense, which these earliest hatched ducklings require. Still the raisers of early ducklings claim that they find the growing of young ducks more profitable than young chickens.

Ten to twelve thousand ducklings are often yarded on five acres of ground; however, the most successful farm we know of has an abundance of acreage on which to grow roots and green food for the stock, this being a very important factor for their successful production. An ample supply of green food for the old breeding stock seems necessary to keep them in good condition for early laying. Last season the market opened in spring with forty-five cents per pound for ducklings. This season it was lower, only thirty-seven, but prices have kept up longer than they did last year, so the season may perhaps prove quite as profitable on the whole product of the year. The cost of rearing young ducks is put at five cents per pound by these large growers and the ducks are marketed at about nine to eleven weeks, when they weigh about five pounds. The average price of the whole season's product is put at about twenty cents per pound in the market. The Pekin ducks in England have been classed after the Aylesburys and Rouens, but in America they have proven by far the most profitable of all when reared on a large scale, artificially, for the market.—American Agriculturist.

The Future of the Horse Industry.

Many horse breeders are led to believe that present low prices will continue almost indefinitely, writes O. J. Vine, of Ohio. To imagine that horse raising will never prove remunerative, or that horses will never again bring good prices, is in my opinion a great mistake. The farmer must have his horses. The mature horse on the farm to-day need have little fear of his being displaced by machinery. No motor of any kind will give the same satisfaction under all circumstances that a good team will, at an equal cost. Steam has been tried as a motive power in plowing on a large scale, but it has never come into general use. Electricity cannot be used on the farm until a perfect storage battery is invented. Electricity will do very well for propelling street cars on their smooth, solid tracks, where each successive trip is made over exactly the same route. On the farm it would be quite different. The bicycle has undoubtedly taken the place of many horses, but not to the extent generally supposed.

Because horses are cheap now, is no reason why they should remain so. Any other branch of the live stock market fluctuates with the supply and demand. Because the horse market has been away down for several years, is one of the best of reasons for predicting an upward turn before long, and horses will then be as high as they are low now. Horses will become scarce as well as other stock. They are certainly scarce in our section now. Very few strictly good marketable horses can be found. Farmers quit breeding years ago. It did not pay; horses could be bought for less money than it cost to raise them. The supply has been cut off at both ends. There are several classes of horses that are bringing good prices now, and will so continue in spite of steam, electricity or bicycles. The extra heavy draft horse and the fancy coach or driving horse will continue to be in demand for the next century at least. The supply of horses that will mature and be marketable in 1900 is very small indeed. The farmer who owns a good brood mare or two can very profitably turn his attention to raising good horses. In order to raise good ones, he must breed a finely built, sound mare to an equally well built and sound sire. Constitutional and structural defects are largely hereditary, and should be carefully avoided.

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... Ind., like all ... wrapped up ...ghter Lucy, in ... particular, has given them much concern. She is fifteen, and from a strong, healthy girl, three years ago, had become weak and kept falling off in flesh, until she became a mere skeleton. She seemed to have no life at all. Her blood became impure and finally she became the victim of nervous prostration. Doctors did not help her. Most of the time she was confined to bed, was very nervous and irritable, and seemed on the verge of St. Vitus' dance.

"One morning," said Mrs. Tucker, "the doctor told us to give her Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, which he brought with him. He said he was treating a similar case with these pills and they were curing the patient. We began giving the pills and the next day could see a change for the better.



Discussed Their Daughter's Case for Hours.

The doctor came and was surprised to see such an improvement. He told us to keep giving her the medicine. We gave her one pill after each meal until eight boxes had been used when she was well. She has not been sick since, and we have no fear of the old trouble returning. We think the cure almost miraculous."

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CONTEST FOR VERDI'S HAT.

Clever Proceeding to Secure Possession of a Valued Souvenir.

The other day the Marquis Di Rudini, arriving in Genoa from Monza, where he had been to confer with the king before the latter went to Germany, descended from the train, having twenty minutes to wait. He was met by the city authorities and the station master, with whom he spoke pleasantly, when all of a sudden from an incoming train Giuseppi Verdi stepped down. The station master, seeing him, asked permission to retire of Rudini, who, having given it, looked in the direction in which he was going and himself recognized the great musician. Calling the station master back, he asked him to present him to Verdi, which he consented willingly to do. While asking permission to make the introduction he was followed by the premier, who, bareheaded, hat in hand, advanced with the greatest deference. The Marquis Di Rudini expressed his pleasure at meeting the purest and most vivid glory of living Italians.

"Never, as to-day," he added, "have I felt so happy in representing all Italy. I congratulate you on your fine health, and wish you innumerable long years of life."

The maestro is as straight and sturdy as an oak, and his strength is remarkable for one of his years. This graceful incident was followed shortly after by a laughable little scene, which reminds one of the two guests at dinner, one of whom saw his companion putting a silver spoon in his pocket, which he decided to gain possession of himself. He began to boast of his cleverness at sleight of hand, and, in being invited to exhibit his skill, rose, took a spoon, put it in his pocket, and, with a flourish, said:

"Please examine the pocket of the gentleman opposite."

After taking leave of the premier, Verdi went to the station buffet, where, on returning to the train, he forgot his hat. A lady and a gentleman who had been watching the maestro all the time, jumped for the hat, but unfortunately arrived at the same moment, each seizing the brim, whereupon ensued a struggle of see-saw, the lady emerging triumphant, exclaiming: "Ah! now I have got, and now I intend to keep it."

At this moment a gentleman who had assisted at the conflict, with apparent growing stupefaction, stepped forward, saying: "But this is my hat." A loud laugh rang out from those present, in which the recent combatants could not help joining. But I leave their rage and chagrin to be imagined when, a few moments later, they discovered the trap into which they had fallen. It was the hat of the great composer.—Pall Mall Gazette.

Hard Plant to Kill.

There is a plant in Jamaica called the life plant, because it is almost impossible to kill it. When a leaf is cut off and hung up by a string it sends out white, threadlike roots, gathers moisture from the air, and begins to grow new leaves. Even when pressed and packed away by a botanist it has been known to outgrow the leaves of the book in which it was placed. The only way to kill it is by the heat of a hot iron or of boiling water.

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The best teachers of humanity are the lives of great men.—Fowler.

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Poverty wants some things, luxury many, avarice all things.—Cowley.

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Hot Drinks.

A mistake is very often made in assuming that cold drinks are necessary to relieve thirst. As a matter of fact, very cold drinks frequently increase the feverish condition of the mouth and stomach, and so produce that very condition which is sought to be alleviated. It has been shown by experience that hot drinks relieve the thirst and cool the body, when it is unduly heated, in a more effectual manner than ice-cold drinks. Indeed, a higher temperature is to be preferred, and those who are much troubled with thirst might do worse than try the advantages to be derived from hot drinks instead of the cold ones to which they have been accustomed. Hot drinks have the additional advantage of aiding digestion, instead of injuriously affecting the stomach and bowels.—The Ledger.

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Curly-Haired Men.

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Two Women Split Logs for a Living.

Splitting logs is the vocation followed by two women in the woods back of Wall's station, on the Pennsylvania railroad. Annie and Mary Wilson are the names of these two women. They are sisters. They split rails and make pit posts and caps for the Spring Hill Coal Company, whose works are between Wilmerding and Wall's. They do all the work of felling the trees, sawing them into proper lengths and finally with their axes splitting them into pit posts. They are assisted to some extent by their younger brother. The girls work together always and can swing an eight-foot cross-cut saw through an oak tree with apparently as much ease as some women run a typewriter.

When the tree is sawed through and ready to split one of the girls sets an iron wedge into one end of the log and with a large maul weighing about twenty pounds drives it in, splitting the log from end to end. The operation is repeated until the log is split into sizes for posts. Then the axes are brought into play and the posts trimmed up and shaped. The girls came from Indiana.

"The work is not hard when you get used to it," said one, "and then we can make more money splitting rails and making pit posts in one day than we could in a week working in a kitchen. What's the difference, so long as the work is honest, how one earns a living? Although I work hard every day, rain or shine, I never get sick. I was never sick in my life. The people around here all talk about us, but we don't care for that. We are earning a good living and don't owe any one a cent."—Omaha Bee.

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There ...t the Maryland Academy of Sciences the skeleton of an Indian seven feet tall. It was discovered near Antietam ten days ago. There are now skeletons of three powerful Indians at the academy, who at one time in their wildness roamed over the State of Maryland armed with such instruments as nature gave them, or their limited skill taught them to make. Two of these skeletons belonged to individuals evidently of gigantic size. The vertebrae and bones of the legs are nearly as thick as those of a horse, and the length of the long bones exceptional. The skulls are of fine proportions, ample, and with walls of moderate thickness, but of great strength, and stiffened behind by a powerful occipital ridge. The curves of the forehead are moderate and not retreating, suggesting intelligence, and connected with jaws of moderate development.

The locality from which these skeletons came is in Frederick County, near Antietam Creek. It was formerly supposed to have been the battleground of two tribes of Indians, the Catawbas and the Delawares. Tradition has handed down the statement that between the years 1730 and 1736 the Catawbas overtook a band of Delawares at the mouth of the Antietam, and in the battle that ensued the Delawares were completely annihilated. So the tradition goes, but according to Dr. Philip R. Uhler, president of the Maryland Academy of Sciences and provost of the Peabody Institute, a careful examination of this locality has failed to establish evidences of a battle at that point, although numerous spear and arrow heads have been taken from the soil there.

It is of great interest, however, to notice that the locality was, at an earlier date—before the coming of the white man—occupied as a village site by Indians of great stature, some of them six and a half to seven feet in height. The bones of these were buried like those of prehistoric tribes in other parts of the State. The manner of burial was like this: The flesh was cleaned from the bones, some of which were then charred. The small bones of the face and neck were packed with clay. In the grave was also placed pottery, a tomahawk and the other weapons belonging to the Indians. No stone marked the grave, and no beads or wampum were buried with the skeleton. But over all the earth was heaped up into a small oblong mound, along which other similar mounds extended for many feet. The overflow of a neighboring river at this point had almost destroyed the burial area, so that only three of these small elevations were recognizable at the time of excavation. —Baltimore American.

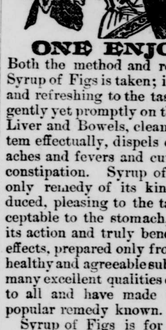
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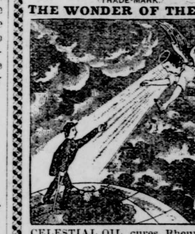
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