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OUR DREAMS,

Which often Make us Awake With a Tired Feeling.

Perhaps the most practical lesson taught at the Royal Institution, says the London *Telegraph*, was one which may assist us to know which of our dreams are signs that something is wrong with our bodily organization. As a rule, said the learned lecturer, it is best not to dream at all; dreamlessness is usually a symptom of good all-round health. A child's dreams are invariably signs of disturbed health, and should be regarded with anxiety. For adults it is a good thing to know that we may be sure that our brains are being overstrained when our nightly dreams relate to the events of the day; and if we actually seem in our sleep to be continuing our daily work, this is a danger signal which must never be disregarded.

When we feel wearied in the morning very likely it results from dreams that we have forgotten, and then the best thing to do is to take exercise. Without coming to any decided opinion as to the supernatural meanings attributed to dreams, we can at least profit by these practical hints. Considered as products of bad digestion, dreams can not be reasonably expected to tell us anything of a useful character, or to supply us with any warning, except one directed against the continuance of depraved dietetic habits.

If it is true that the sleep of health is dreamless, then it becomes difficult to believe that the only persons to whom visions in sleep are vouchsafed should be the victims of indigestion. It is always a puzzle for persons of an unimaginative turn of mind to understand how the future, which does not yet exist, can be supposed to have any effect on the present; and it must be admitted that dreams of warning are much harder to believe in than the "brain-waves" and "thought transferences" which members of the Psychical Research Society take as matters quite in the ordinary course of things.

There is a considerable mass of testimony in favor of the power of the mind to produce results at an enormous distance by some system of psychical telegraphy, of which nobody has yet discovered the secret. A man who goes to sleep and dreams that his brother is being killed by a wild tribe in Central Africa, and who afterward hears that he did meet with that fate at the precise time when the vision occurred, need not fly to any supernatural explanation for the phenomenon.

It is quite different when a dream tells of something which is to happen in a few months' time. In the latter case most people will prefer to join with science in attributing the fact either to a law of coincidences or to a simple delusion. We must do science the justice to admit that if she increases the gloominess of life in some directions, as by her doctrine of the struggle for existence, she decreases it in other respects, one of which is by aiding in the gradual banishment of any confidence in visions and omens and "weirdness" generally.

Little Transactions in Books.

The man who goes exploring in old book shops sometimes makes discoveries which prove of value finally. Many keepers of these old places not only are ignorant of the value of many of their books, but do not even know what stock they have in trade. A man who "picks up" good bargains frequently, found a good edition of a certain history in a basement book shop the other day.

"What is the price of this?" he asked, holding fast to his discovery.

"Oh, I don't know!" replied the owner. "What do you think it is worth? What will you give me for it?"

The would-be purchaser hesitated. He was human and did not want to pay more than was necessary.

"Will you give me a dollar? asked the bookseller.

"Yes," answered the other; promptly, and he handed over his dollar and took his volume of history.

Four days later he received a call from a stranger.

"I was in a book shop to-day," said the caller, "and the owner asked me what ——s history was worth. I told him, and then he confessed that he had sold it to you for one dollar. Now, I'll give you eleven dollars for it. Will you take it?"

The new owner was satisfied to make a clean ten dollars so easily and consented. He is now wondering, however, if the third purchaser has disposed of the work, and if so, how much he has made on his bargain. You can't always be sure of such things.

Matches First Made in Sweden.

The oldest and, it is said, the largest match manufactory in the world is in Sweden. Matches were made there long before the old roughly trimmed splinter of wood, tipped with sulphur, was discarded with the tinder boxes, for which they were used. In twenty-five years the export trade of Sweden in modern matches increased 1,000,000,000 boxes a year.

Some of the machines for making matches which we use in these days make 200 revolutions a minute each and turn out about 2,500,000 matches daily. Rather more than five matches per head for the whole population are used daily in the United States. Strange to say, the quality of these Swedish matches, in many cases, is so bad that the State intends to resume the manufacture, and computes that the profits will produce a revenue of $1,000,000. Altogether there are in Europe about 50,000 factories, and they yearly produce matches valued at $50,000,000.

American Watches.

The United States is fast crowding Switzerland out of the watch market, [illegible] is no part of the world, no [illegible] remote, where the tick of the [illegible]atch can not be heard. To[illegible] factories turn out 35,[illegible] week. Most of the [illegible]ted are repeaters, stop[illegible] having special move[illegible] high price.

[illegible] for Scandal.

[illegible]hey are matched, [illegible] of friction-match,

BRANDEGEE AND LINCOLN.

The Story of a Connecticut Marshal's Appointment.

The Hon. Augustus Brandegee, in the New London *Day*, gives this entertaining reminiscence:

One Sunday evening Senator Dixon, with whom I was on terms of intimacy, came to my rooms with the announcement that the United States Marshal for Connecticut was dead, and urged me to join with him in the recommendation of a gentleman who lived in a country town in my district, and to whom he was under an obligation for political favors. The gentleman named was not a candidate for office, lived remote from the place where the courts were held, and had no experience in the duties of such a position. Dixon was a persuasive man. I was a very young member and was easily flattered with the idea that I could secure a leading appointment for my district. He urged we should go up that evening and secure the appointment before the other members of the delegation should present a rival candidate. Dixon was a favorite at the White House, lived nearly opposite the Executive Mansion and was in the habit of dropping in Sunday evenings, informally, and chatting with the President.

I was put forward to state the case, and urged it with all the arguments I could muster. Mr. Lincoln listened with a half-serious, half-comic expression, asked some pointed questions, which showed that he took in the full inwardness of the situation and when I had concluded said: "You remind me of a young lawyer in Sangamon county who had hung out his shingle for a long time without having a client. At last he got one, but feeling very anxious not to lose his first case, he thought he would go down and state it to the justice who was going to try it and ascertain in advance what he thought of it. So he went down one Sunday evening and stated it for all it was worth, and concluded by asking the justice how he would probably decide it. 'As you state the case,' replied the justice, 'I should be obliged to decide against you. But you had better bring the case. Probably the other side will make so much worse a showing that I shall have to decide the case in your favor.'" There did not seem to be much for Dixon and me to say, after this, and so, as soon as we fairly could, we retired in good order. A few days after, a candidate from another part of the State was strongly urged by the rest of the delegation. In about a week, however, Colonel Hay came up to the Capitol to say that he was directed by the President to tell me that I had won my first case, that the Dutch Justice had decided in my favor and that our candidate was appointed. He proved a capable and unexceptionable officer.

One Way of Naming a Fee.

A member of the Chicago bar relates an interesting bit of experience he had in naming the fee he should charge the multi-millionaire, Senator Sawyer, of Wisconsin, says the Chicago *Tribune*.

"I had done twenty days' hard and important work for the Senator. When it came to the point for me to name my fee, I said: 'Senator, let me tell you a little story.

"'A young brother lawyer came to me the other day in a great quandary as to how much he should charge a certain client for a highly successful piece of legal work that he had done.

"'At first I told him to go some hat by the feelings of the client regarding the good the latter had reap d. Having said this I named $500 to my young friend.

"'Well, when his client appeared he was feeling 'way up, and taking out a roll of $500 bills remarked, "Now, my young friend, I'll begin and tell off these $500 bills, and when I've told off enough to satisfy you for your services you say the word."

"'The young man was dumbfounded. "One—two—three'——. And then the young man shouted: "Enough! That will do!" Then the happy client handed the $1,500 to his lawyer with the air of one who thought he was getting off very cheap.'

"Senator Sawyer heard the story all through, and I could see that he caught the point I was trying to make with it on him. Smiling drolly, he said:

"'Good enough story, but that ain't the way I do business. What's your bill?'

"'Two thousand dollars,' said I, and without a moment's hesitation the Senator wrote me a check for that amount."

Wonders of a Kaleidoscope.

The following curious and interesting calculation has been made on the number of changes that can be made in the picture presented in that remarkable instrument, the kaleidoscope.

Supposing the instrument to contain but twenty small pieces of colored glass and that you make ten changes each minute, at that rate it would take the inconceivable number of 462,980,888,576 years and 360 days to go through the immense number of changes that can be produced! Verily, the human mind shrinks from the contemplation of such immense numbers. We have no more of an idea of what such a length of time means than we have of the meaning of the word "eternity."

According to another eminent mathematician, if only twelve pieces of glass are put into the slide it will take 33,264 days or something over 91 years to exhaust its variations.

How Garfield Was Scared.

Secretary Foster has been telling some queer secrets about President Garfield, with whom he was on terms of the closest intimacy. As illustrating his fear of the newspapers a summer night incident at Willard's Hotel in Washington is recalled, when a party of Mr. Garfield's intimate friends got together in one of the upper rooms facing Newspaper row and began playing a game of cards with a 10 cent ante. It was hot, and the whole party had their coats and vests off and their sleeves rolled up to the elbows. The windows were wide open, and by the gaslight anybody could look in on the game from across the street. Suddenly a messenger boy came to the door with a message, which read thus: "Immense excitement on Newspaper row. A big crowd is watching your little game. Pools are being sold on the result, and the boys are sending despatches out over the country concerning it." The message was read aloud, and it scared Mr. Garfield half out of his boots. Of course it was a bogus message, but it was hard to make Mr. Garfield believe it was not genuine, and it spoiled all his fun that summer night.

A good handful of salt should be added to the water in which matting is washed The salt keeps the matting in color. Do not use soap.

Miscellaneous Advertisements.

Here We Are ON WHEELS!

AND we'll give you a ROUND bargain without TIRING you! That is to say—we can sell you

Buggies and Phætons

—AT—

WHOLESALE PRICES

Early Callers can Make it Pay!

We are not "Stove Up"

in the ordinary sense of the term, but as for an extraordinary

STOCK OF STOVES

the "Mammoth Hardware Store's" immense display

Beats All!

Frank C. Beall

"The" Hardware & Stove Man

April 30

OUR STORE

Is not the child of chance, but the ripened fruit of

TRUTH, INDUSTRY AND ACCOMMODATION!

Truth—in the fulfilment of our obligations!

Industry—in our tireless effort to please!

Accommodation—in our endeavor to do all for our customers they cannot do for themselves!

We announce a continuance of our great sales in

Dry Goods, Dress Goods

—AND—

Milinery,

and that we are better than ever prepared to promise delightful surprises in each department.

We will enter into no detail, preferring that each reader of this announcement shall come and see for him and herself that we are now as heretofore,

First in Style!

Best in Quality!

Lowest in Price!

Under these circumstances the seed of dull trade cannot germinate in our garden, for popularity is the flower that blooms there in profusion, as rich as those which adorn our

LADIES' DOMESTIC AND IMPORTED HATS!

With the axe at the root of high prices, with the dross refined and none but the pure gold of uttermost perfection in all our lines, is it any wonder that our store is the Mecca of fashion-hunting pilgrims? Is it any surprise that all who properly appreciate solid goods and minimum prices should flock to our establishment as did the people of old to the glittering market-places of the Orient?

One suggestion, however, to those who are delaying—remember, it is just as sensible and important to be on time as to be in style. Come at once and see our new goods.

B. STERN & CO.,

FROSTBURG, MD.

April 23

Health Maxims.

Better far to wear out in moderate and useful activities, than to rust out in inglorious ease. Sun, moon, and stars; air, earth and ocean; rill and river; cascade and cataract; all, by their ceaseless motion, live. There is not an atom wholly idle in the wide universe. Nor should man be. They are for time; he for eternity. Their destiny is fixed for them; man makes his own, according to the work of his hands.

Much time should be bestowed upon the selection of the path one is to pursue for life, and on which a whole lifetime's bread and butter depend. The boy's character, tastes and education—even his idiosyncrasies and prejudices—should be consulted. If a choice is finally made that suits all circumstances, the selection will be permanent and the man successful.

It is by copying after nature, man makes his greatest and most useful discoveries.

Miscellaneous Advertisements.

A Rare Chance!

FURNITURE At Cost!

OWING to the calamity which recently befel my store building, destroying the roof and third story, and not being able to get a place to remove my stock to keep it out of the weather, I am compelled to dispose of same at almost any price in order to save it from ruin by rain or snow, either of which is likely to occur at any time at this season of the year.

The stock comprises Walnut, Oak and Poplar Bed Room Suits; at least 25 Parlor Suits of the latest styles and upholstered in all kinds of Plushes, Brocatels, Tapestries, etc., ranging in price from $25 to $125; also a very fine lot of Upholstered and Rattan Easy Chairs, especially selected for the holiday trade, and a fine lot of Lounges, Bed Lounges, Side-Boards, Hall Racks, Wardrobes, Extension Tables, all kinds of Mattresses, Springs, and, in fact, everything pertaining to a first class Furniture store. Some of this Furniture has been slightly damaged, but the bulk is yet uninjured, and that which has been damaged in any way will be sold exceedingly low. This is an opportunity to get

GOOD FURNITURE CHEAP

which no one in need of same can afford to miss.

Trusting that my friends and the public in general will avail themselves of this chance to get cheap Furniture, and at the same time assist me in a time of need, I am,

Respectfully,

C. F. NICKEL.

Nov 28

A PURE ARTICLE.

READ below what the Revenue Agents have to say of the manufacture of the

BRADDOCK RYE WHISKEY:

OFFICE FIRST NATIONAL BANK, CUMBERLAND, MD., Aug. 16, 1888.

I hereby certify that during the time I was deputy collector internal revenue for District of Maryland James Clark, in the manufacture of his Braddock Pure Rye Whiskey, according to the record from government books, used only rye and barley malt.

WEBSTER BRUCE.

OFFICE BRADDOCK DISTILLERY, CUMBERLAND, MD.

Having been under assignment as United States storekeeper and guager at the Braddock distillery of James Clark, I hereby certify that in the manufacture of his Braddock Pure Barley Malt Whisky only barley malt is used. JOHN H. YOUNG.

Having been under assignment as United States storekeeper and guager at the Braddock distillery of James Clark while in operation I hereby certify that in the manufacture of the Braddock Pure Rye Whisky only rye and barley malt are used.

J. P. WILLARD.

Don't fail to read our double-column advertisement printed elsewhere in this paper.

No supply for the Holidays is more seasonable than an enjoyable quantity of pure Whiskey. In this and all respects we have undoubtedly fine and reliable goods.

JAMES CLARK & CO., 55 Baltimore street, Cumberland, Md.

Dec 13

PRINTING. BOOK BINDING. BLANK BOOK Manufacturing.

ARTHUR SHRIVER & CO.,

THE Leading Establishment of Western Maryland having added greatly to their facilities, are better than ever prepared to promptly execute all orders for work in their lines.

The Finest PRINTING, The Most Elegant Book Binding, The Most Substantial BLANK BOOKS

NO CHEAP WORK.

28 South Centre Street, **Cumberland, Md.**

Aug 2

FLINTSTONE

CANNED GOODS

Pack of 1891.

I INVITE the attention of the public to the superior quality of my "FLINTSTONE" brand of Canned Fruits and Vegetables, to be found on the shelves of all firstclass grocery stores in the county. My pack is as follows:

Cooking Tomatoes—Choice, fully ripe and superior flavor.

Extra Tomatoes—Finest whole Tomatoes, ready for slicing.

Dessert Apples—Selected varieties, packed in full syrup and ready to serve as dessert fruit.

Pie Peaches—Extra mountain Peaches, fine flavor, all full cans; nearly one-third more Peaches in can than Baltimore packed pie peaches.

Corn—Selected variety of Sugar Corn, packed when young and tender with utmost neatness and care.

My goods are sold to all merchants at moderate prices and will give full satisfaction in every particular.

Notice—All the corn packed at my Flintstone Canning House this season has on the label a *fac-simile* of my signature, thus:

B. L. Fowler

Any can which does not bear my signature was not packed this season. [Jan 16]

Miscellaneous Advertisements.

Our Famous Brands of

Reingold, Erlanger and Export Bottle Beer

Are Now on the Market.

Address all orders to

CUMBERLAND BREWING COMPANY,

TELEPHONE CALL, 96-4. [April 4] CUMBERLAND, MD.

Do You Eat Bread?

IF YOU DO YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT

Gold Medal Flour,

Made by Washburn, Crosby & Co., Minneapolis, Minn., the pioneers in the manufacture of Fancy Flour from hard Spring Wheat.

Made in the largest flouring mills in the world. Daily capacity, ten (10,000) thousand barrels.

Made of Hard Northern Spring Wheat, which makes the Strongest and Best Flour in the world.

Sold by all grocers.

Oct 31

JOHN CHAMBERS,

—DEALER IN—

STAPLE AND FANCY

GROCERIES,

Flour, Feed and Provisions.

Queensware, Woodware. Tinware.

Canned and Fresh

Oysters

A SPECIALTY.

Main Street, - - FROSTBURG, MD.

March 29

I Say There--Ahoy There, MY FRIEND!

IF you are bound for any other drug store than DAN KRAPF'S you are a somnambulist, or, in plainer words, a

"SLEEP-WALKER."

The old "McNeill stand" is the location, just between Betz's jewelry store and Moat's Opera House.

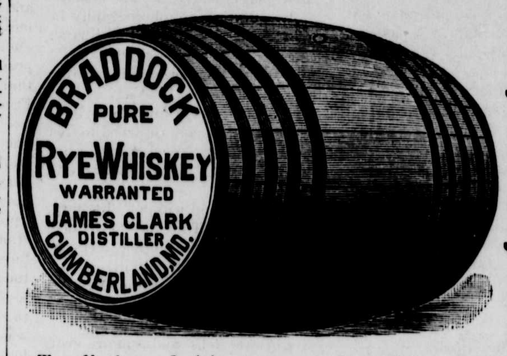
If you amble anywhere near you cannot fail to see it, even though asleep. Every time you visit me I assure a wide-awake interest, and the display also of an ever-growing and attractive stock of goods, which will meet your desires in every particular. I am not a cutter, but I am a runner, and I get there, sweet marjoram, also "sweet spirits of nitre," with a sufficient quantity of sweet oil.

Prescriptions will be as thoroughly comprehended and compounded as elsewhere.

DAN. KRAPF, Jr., PHARMACIST.

Feb 21

"Braddock" Pure Rye.



The Best All-Rye Whiskey Made

To all those desiring a pure and unadulterated Whiskey for the Holidays, or for Medicinal Purposes, or as a Beverage, we take pleasure in recommending our

"Braddock" Pure Rye Whiskey,

DISTILLED FROM THE VERY CHOICEST

MOUNTAIN RYE AND SPRING WATER.

These goods are distilled under our own personal supervision, and we have, therefore, no hesitation in guaranteeing all our "Braddock."

We are the Largest Distillers and Dealers in all grades of fine

Whiskies, Brandies, Gins, Wines, Alcohol, &c., &c., &c.,

in Western Maryland, and are fully equipped to supply the wants of our customers.

Give the "Braddock" a Trial.

THE BEST ALL-RYE WHISKEY MADE.

Special and prompt attention given to all orders.

Correspondence solicited

Read in another column of this paper what the Revenue Agents who have charge of our Distillery have to say regarding the purity of our goods.

Soliciting a share of your patronage, we are yours very truly,

JAMES CLARK & CO.,

Distillers Braddock Pure Rye,

55 Baltimore street, - - CUMBERLAND, MD.

Price List of Braddock is as follows:

We sell our celebrated Braddock Pure Rye at $2, $2.50, $3 and $4 per gallon, according to age. In ordering, always send money by Postal Note or Money Order. At offices where Postal Notes cannot be obtained and money is enclosed, 2-cent stamps can be sent for Jugs as follows: 1-gallon Jugs, 15 cents; 2-gallon Jugs, 30 cents; 3-gallon Jugs, 45 cents; 5-gallon Kegs, $1. When you desire goods packed in boxes, add 10 cents for box and packing, otherwise goods will be shipped without boxing.

It is unlawful to ship whiskey C. O. D., consequently money must always accompany your orders.

Dec 13 **JAMES CLARK & CO.**