

1854. Krupp's Great Works are Essen Prussia
 Fifty years ago Krupp's Father worked at his anvil in his little
 shop in this town situated in Rhenish Prussia about 15 miles
 from the Rhine and railroads meet here from every direction and
 15 miles from Düsseldorf. These works cover 600 acres
 of nice land, he has chosen to invest his profits in his business and not go
 outside, and it is said can manufacture steel at a lower cost than
 any body else in the world. He employs about 20,000 men and is worth
 about 30 to 40,000,000 dollars. Here are 439 Steam Boilers, Steam Engines
 450 with a total power of 18,500 horses & Steam Hammers 825 Machines for
 working steel & Iron 1622. Consumption of Coke & Coal 31,000 tons daily.
 He has manufactured more than 20,000 cannon during the last 20 years
 for European Governments - he is making now 125 ton guns for the
 Italian Gov. and are the largest that have ever been made.
 One boiler & 15 cents is the pay of a Mechanic who would get 300 here.
 The men all go to work at 6 o'clock the year round, those who work at the
 furnace & mill go off at 6 o'clock and the others stay till the laborer
 gets about 100 per day for the workmen 1/2 of an hour is given at 6 o'clock
 for breakfast another 1/2 an hour for coffee at 11 AM. At noon
 the machinery stops 1 1/2 hours. Places are provided in the works
 for men whose duties prevent them from taking the full 1 1/2 hours.
 he has made cannon for almost all countries except England & the U.S.
 Considering the capacity for what German women are held by
 their lords and masters in the agricultural regions to have in
 the performance of all the hardest drudgery on the soil, it
 seems rather surprising to find that women are not employed
 in any department of the Great Steel Works. 3,000 of them are
 liable to be called out of the works and homes in time of
 war for military service. - A large number of the young
 men have to go out each year to do their regular 3 years
 of actual service in the army. - The men after their 3 years
 service return with better health and character by the service
 in the army; and are more valuable than they would be if
 they had no knowledge of military life. As yet there has
 been little necessity of Savings Banks - but I think
 there is a prospect they will have one soon - perhaps they will
 have depositors - no one knows.

Water Works - in London &c

At first water was conveyed into houses by means
 of "Lead Pipes" from Water Wheels standing under London
 Bridge built by one Peter Maurice a Dutchman in
 year 1582. - The said Maurice threw water over St Magnus
 staple this was never done before in England.
 In 1594 there was another water wheel erected near Black-
 Friars Bridge gave motion to 4 pumps and the pipes were
 of very thick lead with a large diameter Peter Maurice
 or some of his family held the London Bridge water works
 till 1701. He gave the New River Water works no gain
 to interfere with his prices and sold to Richard

James Soames for 38,000 before the transfer he got the
 lease of another arch and they were able to supply 4,000,000
 gallons daily. The latter laid down iron pipes about 1767. The
 iron pipes were used in Chelsea Water works about 1766
 they were laid later in London they used to conduct through
 wood bored and cut at reasonable length and in some
 cases would lay 6 or 7 side by side but they would leak and
 rot and they were otherwise. - Prof Leslie says some
 think the Romans knew nothing about Hydrostatics. Pliny
 said water will invariably rise to the height of its source and
 said that leaden pipes must be used to carry water up
 in eminence. - The rainfall at Greenwich is for 40
 years average 24 1/2 inches. Palladius speaks of the use
 of lead pipes but does not like to use them because said
 he they become covered with "corrosion" and are
 thereby rendered "unwholesome and even poisonous."
 This probably prevented the Romans from the adoption
 freely of "leaden pipes." In England they have used them
 large as 6 inches. - It is estimated that 200,000,000 gallons
 will be sufficient for London for a long distant future.
 In ancient Rome they allowed 300 gallons for each person
 so liberal were they with water & fountains. In these
 days 30 gallons is considered a wasteful quantity.

Rain as it leaves the clouds is about pure it
 absorbs gases and absorbs particles floating in the air.
 After a dry time there is more, than when the
 rains are frequent. In the country it is
 purer than near cities and large manufacturing towns.
 And if it comes from the roofs it will
 be liable to be more impure.

Where water comes from Peat
 districts it is liable to act quickly on iron pipes
 the side of iron is prevented in some places by
 some such substance will prevent it making.
 Cast Iron & Steel are less affected than wrought
 iron.

(Eng) There was a Rainfall in Scarborough in a single night of 9 in 1852