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She was a fair and sunny child, Whom first I knew here, Her smiling ways my heart beguiled, And knit me to her.

Just then they passed Black Court, down which Tita and Dicky, with the organ, disappeared—a forlorn place, behind a block of stores.

TITIA.

Basil Tennyson, a careless young fellow of one-and-twenty, was sauntering near the park for a morning walk, when a policeman whom he

Belie of the Indian War of 1857.

From Mr. J. F. Bowman we have received for the Statesman cabinet an old relic that is greatly identified with the early history of this section.

Homestead Titles to Lands.

The laws granting homestead privileges give to every citizen, and to those who have legally declared their intention of becoming such, who would be entitled to pre-emption

Nations of the Globe.

The following is a full list of the nations of the world, each of which has its own distinct national colors or flag: The United States of America, Mexico, Nicaragua, Honduras, Guatemala, San Salvador, Costa Rica, the United States of Columbia, Ecuador, Peru, Bolivia, Chili, Argentine Confederation, Uruguay, Paraguay, Brazil, Venezuela, Haiti and San Domingo, which are all the independent

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EDITORIAL.

Herewith is presented to the citizens of Spokane Falls, and the territory adjacent thereto, the initial number of the SPOKANE FALLS REVIEW, with the hope that it may receive a cordial welcome from the public, notwithstanding the fact that the field is already so well supplied with good newspapers.

Spokane Falls is a growing city. The growth is healthy, steady, and permanent. So far as can be ascertained from a short sojourn in their midst the people of this ambitious frontier settlement are active, energetic, and persevering in a business point of view, besides being moral, congenial, and hospitable socially, characteristics that insure prosperity to any inhabited place.

One of the most striking wants of Spokane Falls at the present time is some thorough system of water works, whereby that indispensable fluid can be distributed about and throughout the limits of the city. There is no enterprise that capitalists could venture into which would in time give surer returns on the investment.

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out deception. Anything builded upon falsehood is unstable and perishable as images of snow, and a place cannot be filled with a contented population when that population has been drawn together by exaggerations and false impressions circulated for the purpose of attracting immigration. It is not promised that the REVIEW will be any better than its contemporary laboring in the same field, and we only can hope it may be as good.

Politically the REVIEW is Republican. It is believed that the dominant party, that has done so much toward lifting up the nation to its present condition of power, prosperity, and greatness has not outlived its usefulness, and, that while it may have received a black eye, metaphorically speaking, last year, the slight disfigurement has by no means entirely and irretrievably disabled it. It is believed that the dose will act as a rejuvenating tonic, and that in 1881 the recent disgruntled will return to and rally under the banner of their old love, and with irresistible enthusiasm the Republican party will once more rush into the conflict of the ballots and come forth crowned with the laurel of victory. But while every fair means will be used to promote the welfare of that party, the REVIEW will not stoop to bitter personalities to secure its political ends.

Much space has been used in presenting the fledgling to the public. It is due to say that the main objects of the REVIEW are to diffuse knowledge upon local topics; to champion those interests which promise "the greatest good to the greatest numbers;" and to contribute to the support of our editor. It will, in a modest way, labor zealously for Washington territory in general, and Spokane Falls and county in particular. No effort will be made to please all, for to attempt the accomplishment of that impossibility requires necrotic skill with the pen that the writer is not educated up to. Yet the desire is to please the overwhelming majority, and it is hoped the REVIEW may be so conducted as to bring about that happy result.

A Public Necessity. One of the most striking wants of Spokane Falls at the present time is some thorough system of water works, whereby that indispensable fluid can be distributed about and throughout the limits of the city. There is no enterprise that capitalists could venture into which would in time give surer returns on the investment.

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the enterprise in good shape. We are not at liberty to explain the process in contemplation, nor are we prepared to give the names of those who will form the new water company, sufficient is it to know that it is composed of gentlemen of means, who have the requisite energy and grit to carry out anything they undertake. A meeting of the city council was held last week to confer and arrange with the gentlemen in regard to the city's consumption of water, and to consider what inducements could be held out, but on account of the absence of a party interested further consideration was postponed for a couple of weeks. It is pretty certain that satisfactory arrangements will eventually be made and the consumption of this important public convenience can be looked forward to as a certainty.

TELEGRAPHIC MELANGE.

Theresa Fair was granted a divorce from Jas. G. Fair, the California millionaire, at Virginia City, Nev., Saturday. The court awarded Mrs. F. \$25,000 in United States bonds, and valuable real estate. Jim had been up to some of his old tricks and hence the split.

The Secretary of War received information Saturday from General Crook's command that there are no apprehensions as to his safety. During the month of April 78, 475 immigrants landed in America, a decrease of 2,577 over the corresponding month of last year.

There is an alarming increase of opium smoking in New York, and the question that is worrying the press of that village is what is to be done about it? The tobacco crop of Virginia is greatly damaged by the ravages of an insect that preys on the leaves of the plant. This will give manufacturers an excuse for raising a large percentage of rebates on their production.

A boiler exploded in the single mill of the Oregon Lumber Co., Saturday, killing three men. A movement has been inaugurated by the Philadelphia committee for the restoration of a protective tariff on tin plate. It is claimed that the reduction lately made by Congress has virtually ruined the industry in this country and unless they have two and one-half cent duties on tin plate, they will be compelled to close down their mills. And yet the howl from some quarters is to remove tariffs entirely.

Chicago is wrestling with the opium devil. Crook comes up smiling and dispels the anxiety felt as to his safety. The Apache Indians are like unto the angels, and they are not there. The losses are enormous in the mountain desfilades of Northern Mexico and Indian pursuing troops.

The Cree Indians threaten to attack the settlers of northern Montana, and preparations are being made to give 'em a hot reception. One of these faithful frontiersmen in Kansas City a hard luck Sunday, killing and injuring a number of people, besides doing much damage to property.

The President has appointed Sherman H. Champ as superintendent of the assay office at Boise City, Idaho Territory, vice William Walters suspended. The silver strikes are reported in Texas. The mother of Gen. Grant died last week.

Confederate graves were devoted at Memphis Sunday. A \$10,000 fire started in Austin, Texas, Sunday. The Southern Baptist convention convened at Galveston Sunday.

Serious charges have been made against the California Prison Department, because who do long in public offices have an oily way of slipping out of trouble no fears are entertained that any punishment is to follow.

Henry Villard, the head and front of the North Pacific railroad, is now in the East. He told a Chicago reporter that through the trains would be running over the road by September 1st. Also that the surplus grain crop of Washington and Oregon would amount to 200,000 tons, and we think Henry is also right, at least no one has had better luck for forming a rough estimate than he has during his late protracted trip through the upper west.

U. S. Consul Turner, at Liege, charges that the Germans have a habit of adulterating about every thing they offer for sale to consumers. This, it is true, goes to show that all of the tricks of trade are not confined to the ingenious Yankee.

Chicago has Chinese opium dens and don't like them. The Eastern cities are getting a taste of the Pacific Coast cure. Snow fell to the depth of twelve inches in portions of Dakota, Monday, Utah. No wonder the people of that section are looking toward Washington territory with a longing eye.

have the whites come in and work the mines. Perhaps it would be safe to send in a bull-headed delegation at first, as their shortage on equippage accommodations would work up an auction in the red man, and if they succeeded in sweetening the temper of the lords of the soil others might slip in and work the mines to advantage.

The Portland press has a good deal to say about Oregon wool, ignoring what part of the north-west. Would it they never ring in a title of the Washington product in the shipments from that port. Praying crusaders are working in the lowest dives of New York. If religion prevails among the 1st. habits of those dips of sin there is hopes of the early arrival of the millennium.

Sullivan, the big brawler, recently knocked a brother brawler, not quite so large, into the middle of a subsequent period, to the Edition of 10,000 witnesses. If lightning had struck the building and killed the principals and about 9,000 of the audience the world would have been just as well off, if not better.

The officials of the City of Mexico have been banqueting the President of a new road. If sentiment over railroads change down there it has in a neighboring state, the same men who did the honors will bear their guests with a club within a couple of years.

Senator Mahone, of Virginia, is charged with corruption. There is nothing singular about that. It would be far more singular to be able to find some Senator who has not been charged with about all the crimes in the deviousness. There is always somebody to charge a public officer with anything but honesty. The racket is becoming monotonous.

It is rumored that the Central Pacific road has changed hands. Dodge City, Kan., is the scene of a local revolution that promises very developments. The bad citizens have been expelled from the place, and the governor has been called upon for aid to keep them away. The afrosaid exiled threaten to return to their former haunts and cry and it looks as though they meant it.

The irrepressible formula is getting in its work throughout the Mississippi Valley, killing people and doing irreparable damage. "Waving fields of grain will soon cover the famous Overland trail ground." The directors of the Tucson and Port Lavaca railroad have purchased 200,000 acres of land in Sonora, that contains the only developed coal fields of that State.

After hammering away for months the Portland News has succeeded in having the Oregon News dismissed. The News is clamored over the increase of crime in Portland. Gen. Josiah Gorges, Chief of Ordnance of the Southern Confederacy during the war, died Tuesday. Tacoma is to be lit by gas.

From Mr. J. W. Cochran, the postmaster of Dixie, a small place distant about fourteen miles from this city, we learn the following particulars of a cloud burst which occurred near that place Monday last. It seems that the cloud struck a ridge above Dixie and near the residence of Mr. Wyn Brunton, which is situated in a small ravine. The water rushed past this man's house at a depth of over 100 feet, carrying away all the outhouses and horse-carts around the place. The house was saved by the side of its being built a little on the side hill, and being out of the main channel of the temporary flood. While the storm was at its height, Miss Lelia Largent, aged 18 years, who was living with the family of Mr. Brunton, went out onto the porch, and as she was of a very nervous temperament, it is thought that in some way she either threw herself or fell into the swirling, boiling flood, and was immediately swept away into the darkness of a deep ravine.

About this time it was discovered in the house that Charles Brunton, a 10-year old son of Mr. Brunton, had also disappeared, and as he has not been heard from to noon today, it is a foregone conclusion that he has met the same fate as the unfortunate Miss Largent. It was impossible to do anything in that wild, tempestuous night, and at daylight Mr. Brunton notified his neighbors, and at the head of a large party started down the ravine to hunt for the bodies of the missing members of his household. When the party reached the place of Mr. Jas. Kershaw, about two miles below, and just above the Dixie school house, they found the body of the unfortunate young lady partially covered with brush and drift. The body of the unfortunate boy was found some distance from that of the young lady. Just below Mr. Brunton's place and in the channel of the torrent, is the residence and stable of Mr. George Lewis. The dwelling was uninjured, but a barn in which were nine or ten head of horses was swept away, and most of the horses drowned. Our informant states that considerable damage to grain and roads was done, but nothing of a serious nature. Miss Lelia Largent, the young lady who met such an untimely end, is spoken of as being highly intellectual and prepossessing, and is widely known and respected in that locality. We are led to understand that she was soon to be wedded to a most worthy young farmer residing near the Coppel. Walla Walla Statesman.

Silver Spring, in Georgia, is said to be the largest spring in the world. It is the source of the Oklawaha river, which is sixty feet wide at the start, ten feet deep, and with a current flowing two miles an hour. All this vast quantity of water comes from the spring, whose only inlets are at the bottom. It is about two inches in size, and its mysterious depths have never been explored. There is an Indian legend about Silver Spring of course. Wemah, the beauty of the tribe that inhabits the neighborhood, won the love of Chulootah, a hostile chief. Her wrathful father slew the lover, and then Wemah drowned herself in the spring, which was then small, but was instantly enlarged to its present proportions by the Great Spirit's abundant tears of sympathy.

That Bad Boy Again.

"Well, that is a picnic. Pa said he wanted breakfast earlier than we had been in the habit of having it, and he said I might see to it that the house was awake early enough. The other night I woke with the awfullest pain you ever heard of. It was the night you gave me and my claim the bottle of pickled oysters that had begun to work. Well, I couldn't sleep, and I thought I would call the hired girl, and they got up and got the breakfast to going, and then I ripped on pa's and ma's door, and told them the breakfast was getting cold, and they got up and came down. We eat breakfast by daylight, and pa yawned and said it made a man feel good to get up and get ready for work before daylight, the way he used to do on the farm, and ma she yawned and agreed with pa, 'cause she has to, or have a row. After breakfast we sat around for a while, and pa said it was a long time getting daylight, and handsy pa looked at his watch. When he began to pull out his watch I lit out and hid in the stove, and pretty soon I heard pa and ma come up stairs and go to bed, and when it was all still and the pain stopped inside of my clothes, I went to bed, and I looked to see what time it was, and it was 2 o'clock in the morning. We got dinner at 4 o'clock in the morning, and pa said he guessed he would call up the house after this, as I have lost another job, and it was all on account of that bottle of pickled oysters you gave me. My chum says he had a cold, too, but he didn't call up his folks. It was all he could do to get up hisself. Why don't you sometimes give away something sometimes that is a little bit of a good thing?"

The grocerman said he guessed he knew what to give away; and he lay went out and hung up a sign in front of the grocery, that he had made on wrapping paper with red chalk, which read: "Bottle eggs, good enough for crusty pies, for eighteen cents a dozen." - The Walla Walla Statesman.

ABOUT THE WEST.

Thomas H. Downey, the new Receiver, has taken charge of the Walla Walla Land Office, vice Alex. Reed. There are 200,000 acres of grain in on the Yakima reservation, of this amount 150,000 acres belong to the Indians. The land sales during April by J. M. Wallis at Spokane, amounted to \$1,700,000 an average rate of \$3 per acre. The sales were principally in the Big Bend country.

The highest inside on the line of the Northern Pacific is that across the Canadian divide about twelve miles west of Missoula, Montana. When snow-bank the track level will be 300 feet in the air. Walla Walla Correspondent, Major Rogers, of the Canadian Pacific, now has a fine supply of hay and alfalfa for sale through the Selkirk range. The supplies for these parties will for the present be purchased in Walla Walla and Portland. The road has been definitely located via Kicking Horse Pass, Moberly creek and Tacle Pass.

A Large Estate. There are several single estates in Mexico containing from 100,000 to 200,000 acres, and the famous Saltillo ranch contains over 600 square miles of land. It lies partly in the States of Nuevo Leon, Coahuila, Zacatecas, and San Luis Potosi on the highway to Mexico, and on the line of the new railroads. It is supplied the central table-lands of Mexico at an average elevation of 4,000 feet. Chains of mountains rich in mineral wealth traverse the estate. The boundaries of the estate extend more than 100 miles from north to south, and flourishing farms and large mining towns are met at frequent intervals.

Weather Report. WASH. DEPARTMENT. Nightly average U. S. Army. Report of observations taken at Spokane Falls, W. T., for the week ending, Thursday night, May 11, 1881.

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AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS.

Agricultural Nicknacks.

Wheat Growing.

In the December number of *The Garden* I stated that my method of growing wheat "begins with the seed and ends with the seed."

Experience and experiments prove conclusively that the seed is by far the most important factor in field, garden, and lawn. I am asked "how I make so small a quantity go over an acre?"

The results of one or two experiments will show the value of good seed, and the reason why sound and genuine seed goes so far.

In 1874 I planted 73 pounds of nice handpicked wheat on an exact square acre, in rows 18 inches apart. I cultivated it three times, and at harvest threshed out 67 bushels, 17 pounds—538-fold. In 1881 I planted on 40 square rods, 32 acres of very fine selected wheat, cultivated and irrigated it twice. The product was 18 bushels, 6 pounds—543 fold, or nearly 72 bushels per acre.

The same year, on 76 square feet, I planted 73 kernels of extra fine seed, weighing 45 grains Troy. This was cultivated and fertilized very carefully. The product realized exactly 101 pounds—almost 1,000 fold, and nearly at the rate of 100 bushels per acre.

These experiments, I repeat, as well as many more on record, show conclusively the value of good seed, and the importance of keeping it pure and improved by crossing and careful selection. One of the most natural natures of wheat, oats, rye, etc., is the process of tillering—not suckering. It consists of a growth of new stems from the first or parent stem. The first stems have a ring around it just below the surface of the soil. From this ring new stems or tillers rise, surrounding the parent stem as the branches of an umbrella do the handles.

Every new tiller has its ring also and stems. I have known as many as 18 tillers come from a single kernel of wheat, all of which bore good heads, averaging 42 grains, or 7,992 from one plant.

Thin sowing and cultivation of wheat very much encourage this habit. Winter wheat in particular, when the condition of the soil are favorable, thrives much better, and yields much more abundantly when sown thin.

Thin sowing will always and invariably produce a greater yield and of better quality when the seed is pure and the condition of the soil are favorable.

It is within the reach and power of every farmer to make his seed pure, and the conditions favorable. Herein lies the secret of making large crops from thin sowing.

The encouragement of the tillering process and of cultivation necessarily give new vigor to the plant; consequently, the maturity of the grain is retarded, and at the same time, I think, it is made better.

There is danger, however, of rust when a crop of wheat is forced and permitted to grow beyond the time it should mature.

When thickly sown it makes but few if any tillers, and its tendency is to ripen earlier, with shorter straw, shorter heads, and fewer kernels.

"The greatest enemy of wheat is wheat." Wheat cannot bear to be overcrowded. It fails to carry out its natural habits; as well does it fail to develop fully in straw and grain.

In making the conditions of the soil favorable, the farmer must thoroughly understand the nature of his soil, and what his wheat wants and what it doesn't want—its likes and dislikes, to put it in plain language. For instance: It likes a high, dry, clay soil, not too finely pulverized—one that will pack well, and with but a little alluvial matter in it. It dislikes shade, damp low lands, and too much manure. The selection of the seed has much to do with the yield. Poor seed makes poor yields and poor crops generally. The grain taken from the parent stock above-mentioned will be found to be the best in all respects. The top ear on a stock of corn is the best for seed. The center stock of a cabbage, beet and radish plant bears the best seed.—Prof. A. E. Blount (Colorado Agricultural College), in the *American Garden*.

Bones for Poultry.

Poultry breeders do not seem to appreciate the great value of bones for their fowls, and but a limited few ever make use of them for this purpose. No matter whether the birds are confined or not, they are sure to be benefited by a moderate quantity of bones, though those which are kept in close confinement need them most. Nearly every family of any size have refuse bones enough from the kitchen to afford the poultry quite a treat from time to time, and when this is not the case, or when the supply runs short, enough can be procured each week from the nearest butcher at a very small price, many butchers being glad to give them away to get rid of them. These can be crushed by using a large stone and a heavy hammer, though there is now a very good and cheap mill made for the purpose—costing but \$5 without legs and \$7 with legs—which pays for itself several times over during the season, where large flocks of fowls are kept, as it not only grinds and crushes bone, but also oyster shells, corn, etc. The bones crush best when dry, and should be reduced to about the size of a small pea. They are put in small troughs or boxes, under cover, where the fowls can eat what they want and to suit their pleasure.—*Poultry*.

Mortar and paint may be removed from window glass by applying hot sharp vinegar.

The Management of Horses.

A horse may live and work for thirty years. Usually at half that age he is worn out and of little value, if, indeed, he has not already succumbed to his fate. On the average the useful life of a horse is reduced one-half by neglect; not willful, but thoughtless. And yet it is so easy to care for this noble servant and friend. A little care, a little watchfulness, a few moments daily devoted to his comfort, would double the length of his life. The first fault is in over-feeding or improper food. A horse's stomach is small and its food requires to be nutritious and concentrated. Its digestion is not so vigorous as that of an ox, and it requires more delicate feeding. Its constitution is nervous and muscular, and its temperament active and sanguine. It therefore needs nitrogenous rather than carbonaceous food, and oats, barley, bean and hay are more suitable than corn and coarse fodder. But corn is excellent food if it is not given in excess, and a mixture of corn and oats makes the grain food on the whole. But the food must be clean and sound, or the stomach is disordered, and plenty of time should be given for the thorough mastication of the food. An equally common fault is in over-watering, or giving water at improper times. A horse's stomach is small—smaller relatively to the size of the body than that of a man, and it absorbs water with great rapidity. When the stomach is filled with water, digestion cannot go on. For these reasons water should always be given to a horse in small quantities, never more than three gallons at any one time, and not more than half as much usually, and never soon after eating, but always before the feed; if five minutes only, intervene, that is sufficient for the absorption. And water should never be given in larger quantities than a quart when a horse is very warm.

In lodging a horse many mistakes are made. A stable should not be too warm nor too cold. It should be free from drafts of cold air; it should be drained, kept clean and free from pungent odors; the light should come from the front, but the window should be high up and shaded; no dust from above should fall into it, and it should be well ventilated. These are the major requisites, and if any owner will secure these, he will necessarily provide all the rest. Much mischief is done in shoeing. "No foot, no horse," is an old and true saying, and every owner of a horse should study the horse's feet. A true friend of the horse will never permit his feet to be carved and cut of shape, or the cushion provided by nature, and the sole—the frog—to be pared away until the feet are left without protection.

Deep drains are best because they secure the slow percolation of the water, giving the soil a chance to take up or absorb the nutritive properties which in the other case would go directly into the drain and be lost. The drain first carries off the very cold water of the subsoil, and the warmer surplus moisture from above taking its place, warms the land and hence affords a large area for the crops to amplify and thus gather up greater stores of plant food.

Farmers should teach those pre-teners who propose to cure moon blindness in horses by knocking out the so-called wolf teeth, that they can't if they played upon it that absurd manner. It is easily seen that these teeth have nothing to do with such blindness. That is a disease of the eye, of a constitutional nature, and it is barbarous to pretend to associate the breaking out of the animal's teeth with the cure of the diseased eye.—*National Agriculturist*.

To prevent the hair falling off a horse's mane and to restore the growth rub the skin or the part with the following mixture, viz: One pint of alcohol and one drachm of tincture of cantharides. Give the horse a dose of salts (twelve ounces) and feed some wheat bran, which will allay the irritation of the skin, to which the loss of hair is due.—*Live Stock Monthly*.

An excellent cement for fastening knife-handles may be made by taking a small quantity of Bath brick-dust and about half the quantity of resin, reduce to a fine powder; fill the hole in the handle with the mixture; heat the part of the knife to be inserted hot, then put it in the handle and let it remain until set.—*Detroit Post*.

To prevent the hair from falling out try wetting the head at night with salt and water. Have the salt dissolved in the water so that it will not annoy you by particles sticking to your hair. Mild sage tea is also excellent.—*N. Y. Post*.

Rich Cookies: One and a half cupsful of sugar, one small cupful of butter, one cupful of sour cream; one egg, one level teaspoonful of soda, and whatever seasoning is preferred. Flour to roll.—*The Household*.

Patash is necessary to successful potato growing. The easiest and best way of supplying it is in the form of wood ashes. It is also contained in salt coal ashes and well rotted stable manure.

A New York farmer says he has found by experience that an acre of Hubbard squashes will go farther in fattening hogs than the corn raised on the same ground.

Starch makes a better paste to use in papering walls than flour, and is less expensive also; a little will go so much further.

Curious Trees.

The India rubber tree is a native of India and South America. The guava tree, from the fruit of which the delicious guava jelly is made, is a native of the Indies. The latter tree was discovered in the central part of Africa; from the kernel is produced a nice butter which will keep a year.

In Malabar a tree called the talow tree grows; from the seeds of it, when boiled, is procured a nice talow which makes excellent candles. There is a tree in Jamaica called the "life tree," whose leaves grow even when severed from the plant. It is impossible to kill it, except with fire.

The langan tree, a native of India, is an object of great veneration among the Hindus and Brahmins, who look upon it as an emblem of the Deity.

The manna tree grows in Sicily and Calabria. In August the tree is tapped and the sap flows out, after which it hardens by evaporation, and the manna is left, which is of a sweet but non-eating taste.

There is no tree more frequently spoken of in the bible than the fig tree, and a common cry even now in the streets of Cairo, in Egypt, is, "in the name of the Prophet, figs," a cry almost universally used by the vendors of figs.

The milk tree is a native of South America. Its fruit is about the size of a small apple, but the milk is the greatest wonder, which is produced by making notches through the bark. At first when it runs out it is as thick as cream. It has the same properties as glue.

A tree called the "traveler's tree," of Madagascar, yields a copious supply of water from its leaves, very grateful to the traveler. It grows in arid countries, and is another proof of the tender care of our Heavenly Father in supplying all his creatures' wants.

The camphor tree grows in Japan and in some of the islands of the Pacific. The camphor is extracted from the wood of the tree, where it is formed into concrete lumps, some of which are as large as a man's arm, though this is rare. The tree has to be sacrificed to procure the camphor.

The sorrowful tree is found in the island of Goa, near Bombay. It is called so because it nourishes in the night. At sunset no flowers are to be seen, but soon after it is covered with them, which close up or fall off as soon as the sun rises. It has a fragrant odor and blossoms at night the year round.

The cow tree, or dato de vaca, grows on the rocks in Venezuela, South America. It has dry and leathery leaves, and by making incisions in its trunk a kind of milk oozes out, which is tolerably thick and of an agreeable balmy smell. At sunrise the natives may be seen hastening from all quarters furnished with large bowls to receive the milk.

The island of Ferns, one of the largest of the Canaries, is so dry that not even a rivulet can be found, but by a wonderful provision of providence, there is a species of tree whose leaves are narrow and long and continue green throughout the year; there is also a constant cloud surrounding the tree, which is condensed, and falling in drops keeps the island placed under it constantly full.

The date tree is a palm tree, and leaves cut from date trees, under the name of palms, are used in the ceremony of Palm Sunday, which is the Sunday before Easter, when the multitude cut down palm trees and strewed them in the path of the Lord. Almost every part of this tree is valuable. It is valuable for its fruit, and for the palm wine drawn from its trunk. Its leaves are made into mats and baskets, and the fibers of the stems of the leaves are made into cord and twine.

The Oldest Historians. Herodotus is the oldest of the Greek historians. He was born 484 B. C. He is generally recognized as the father of history. Herodas was an educated priest of Babylon, who lived about 340 B. C., and wrote in Greek three books of Babylonian-Chaldean history, the materials for which he declares he found in the ancient archives of Babylon. Manetho was an Egyptian historian, of the priestly order, who lived in the reign of Ptolemy Soter, in the beginning of the first century B. C. He, too, obtained the material for his works from the temple records at his command, from which he wrote two works, one on the religion and the other on the history of Egypt. Only fragments of the writing of Berosus and Manetho remain—preserved in the works of Josephus, Eusebius and other later writers. There are historical records on the ancient monuments of Egypt, Babylon and Assyria which date back to earlier days, but, except the historical books of the Old Testament, beginning with those of Moses (who was born 1289 B. C.), and some of the writings of Confucius (born 551 B. C.), there is nothing antedating the writings of Herodotus that is regarded as history.

Now and Then. In 1816 one bushel of corn would buy one pound of milk. In 1883 one bushel of corn will buy fifteen pounds of milk. In 1816 it took from twenty to thirty dozen of eggs to buy one bushel of salt. In 1883 one dozen of eggs will do the same thing. In 1816 it required sixty-four bushels of barley to buy one yard of broadcloth. In 1883 five bushels will do the business. In 1816 it required one bushel of wheat to purchase one yard of calico. In 1883 one bushel of wheat will purchase thirty-five yards of a better article. In 1816 a pair of wooden blankets cost as much as a cow. In 1883 a cow will buy from six to twenty, superior in every way.—*Prairie Farmer*.

Health and Science.

A good many years ago an epidemic of disease was supposed to be a "visitation," or "judgment," and prayers were offered up that its progress might be stayed. Now-a-days, when individuals or neighborhoods are attacked with typhus fever, diphtheria, or any one of the long range of malarial disorders, there is an immediate inquiry as to the condition of that house, or that neighborhood, and the disease is traced to its source of rotten vegetation, putrid filth, foul air, bad drainage, or some other of the uncleanly causes of zymotic disease.

For this advance we have to thank physiological and sanitary science, but it will not help us much to know a thing unless we act upon our knowledge. It will not get rid of the causes of disease to know what those causes are, unless we go vigorously to work to contract them. It has been ascertained now beyond a doubt that infectious disease is primarily occasioned by living germs; that these germs have their origin in dirt, overcrowding, bad air, putrid vegetation, imperfect drainage and the like conditions. It makes no difference whether these conditions are found in tenement houses, cottages or palaces—in the streets of the city, or the green lanes of the country, the result is the same—it is sickness and death.

It is not entirely a gratifying thing to lazy, irresponsible people to find that health, and the best conditions for living useful and reasonably happy lives, are within their own power, and that they are responsible for their fulfillment. It is so much easier to keep on in the old way, to pile up refuse, to let the drainage go, to build a house like a soap box, and transfer the consequences to the shoulders of Providence, or the Almighty. But it is too late to do this now. Providence has been short-sighted for the results of our shortcomings long enough, science has discovered that they are within our control, and that it is our business first to discover what the laws are that govern health and disease, and then adapt ourselves and our circumstances to the obligations they impose.

There is no occasion, in the nature of things, for persons to be born diseased, or die prematurely. A pure and temperate life, in a healthy location, and amid healthy surroundings, are fair guarantees for a green old age.—*Woman's Monthly*.

Big Gold Nuggets. On the 16th of August, 1860, a large piece of gold was taken from the Monumental Quartz Mine, Sierra Buttes, which weighed 1,206 ounces Troy, the value of which was estimated at from \$21,000 to \$20,000. The nugget was sold to H. B. Woodward, of San Francisco, for \$21,635.52. A fine specimen was taken from the Rainbow Quartz Mine, Chipp's Flat, 1881. It was taken from a depth of 200 feet. Later it was shipped to London and worked there. It yielded \$22,000. In 1855 a nugget was found at French Ravine that weighed 332 ounces, and was worth \$10,000. It contained considerable quartz, which is not calculated in its weight. In 1851, at French Ravine, a nugget was found which weighed 427 ounces, and was valued at \$8,000. A nugget is reported to have been found at Minnesota valued at \$5,000. In 1850 a piece of gold quartz was found in French Ravine which contained 281 ounces of gold, worth \$4,892. At Little Grizzly Diggings, in 1868, a nugget worth \$2,000 was found. At Smith's Flat, in 1864, a nugget was found weighing 140 ounces and worth \$2,985. A nugget weighing 91 ounces and valued at \$1,770, was found at the Hope camp, four miles below the Mountain House, at French Ravine, in 1869, a nugget was found worth \$1,757, and weighed 93 ounces. At Smith's Flat, in 1861, a nugget was found which weighed 80 ounces and was valued at \$1,560. From 1851 to 1862 12 gold nuggets, ranging from 39 to 147 ounces, were taken from the Live Yankee claim at Forest City. From 1856 to 1862 a number of gold nuggets, varying from 29 to 100 ounces, were found in the Oregon claim at Forest City. A specimen worth \$5,000 was taken from the Oriental (Gold Gate) quartz mine, Sierra County (Cal.) in 1860.

The Mississippi River. Some interesting and extraordinary data have been compiled respecting the Mississippi. It appears that it boasts no fewer than fifty-five tributary streams, with a total length of navigation of 16,571 miles, or about two-thirds of the distance around the world. Even this, however, represents but a small amount of the navigation which will follow when the Federal Government has made the contemplated improvements in the Upper Mississippi, in the Minnesota, Wisconsin and other rivers, in which it is now engaged. But while the Mississippi has 16,571 miles of navigable to large, this navigation is divided between twenty-two States and Territories in the following proportions: Louisiana, 2,500 miles; Arkansas, 2,100 miles; Mississippi, 1,280 miles; Montana, 1,210 miles; Dakota, 1,280 miles; Illinois, 1,270 miles; Tennessee, 1,290 miles; Kentucky, 1,290 miles; Indiana, 840 miles; Iowa, 830 miles; Indian Territory, 720 miles; Minnesota, 660 miles; Wisconsin, 560 miles; Ohio, 550 miles; Texas, 440 miles; Nebraska, 400 miles; West Virginia, 380 miles; Pennsylvania, 380 miles; Kansas, 240 miles; Alabama, 200 miles; and New York, 70 miles. Nearly all sections of these States and Territories can be reached with ease. Louisiana, Arkansas, Mississippi, Montana, Dakota and the Indian Territory possess more miles of navigable stream than miles of railroad, all of which are open to everybody who wishes to engage in commerce.

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