

ODDS AND ENDS.

A Hungarian novelist Jokai is said to be a millionaire.

Our spare hours are well named; they seem the short of the day.

The longest name in the Bible is Marhar-shal-hash-baz. It occurs in Isaiah viii, 3.

The thinker must write so that he that runs may read, in order to become a light and a power.

Farm lands in the United States, being the country as a whole, occupy 289 acres in every 1,000.

The New York World paid out \$184,000 for one month's collection of news and publication of the paper.

Historian Bancroft rated the American poets in this order: Emerson, Bryant, Longfellow and Whittier.

The organs of smell in the turkey vulture and carrion crow are so delicate that they can scent their food for a distance of forty miles.

Eggs that has become yellow from being laid away may be whitened if soaked in buttermilk two or three days.

The largest beekeeper in the world is Dr. Harbison, of California, who has 100 hives, producing 20,000 pounds of honey yearly.

Miss E. D. E. N. Southworth's full name is Emma Dorothy Eliza Nequette Southworth. She is over seventy-five years of age and very feeble.

Henryson was fifty when his idyls—'Blaine,' 'Vivien,' 'Guinevere'—were published, and was about sixty when he completed the series with 'Gareth and Lynette.'

Mr. Talmage prides himself upon being able to turn out an excellent sermon more rapidly than most men can write a letter. Spurgeon is an equally quick composer.

Water which is drunk is not the only source of danger. Many a widespread and fatal epidemic has been traced to milk from dairies where the pans had been washed in impure water, or the milk itself adulterated with it.

Unique Ways of Suicide.

The shocking testimony at the state house which went to show that we are poisoning ourselves to death with our wall paper, our paper boxes and a dozen other articles of daily use which contain arsenic has been talked about a great deal lately, even at 5 o'clock teas, when people generally balance their cups in the air and talk about nothing at all.

Or if any lady wants to murder another, for instance, let her send her a present of a handsome new bonnet in a green paper box which is heavily charged with arsenic and so prepared as to transfer its deadly elements to the atmosphere of the room at once.

The Drummer's Little Story.

"I never felt myself floored but once in my life," said the drummer, with the air of a man who thinks he has something worth the telling. "It was down in Maine," he continued, after waiting long enough to set curiosity on an edge.

"The steak came, but it was a disappointment. I sawed away on it till my arms ached. It was out of the question to chew the small bits I tore off from it, though I tried hard. I gave it up finally, and as I paid my score I said incidentally, 'That's about the toughest eating I ever experienced.' He took the money, swept it into the drawer, and without a quiver he coolly remarked, 'You don't seem to consider how much good it'll do you in the way of exercise!'"

Teachers of American.

Teachers of English are plentiful in this day and generation, but teachers of American are to be met with only at rare intervals. In this city, however, there are several of the latter who command good prices for their services, and who find ready employment at all times.

ON THE ARCTIC CIRCLE.

Adventures of an Englishman in the Frozen Regions of North America.

Washington Pike, an English explorer, has returned from the Arctic circle. Leaving Calgary in June, 1889, Mr. Pike proceeded to Athabasca Landing, and from there to Fort Resolution, on Slave river. Here he secured the services of two Indian guides and helpers and started for the barren lands in search of musk ox, caribou and other large game.

When asked to describe the barren lands Mr. Pike said that it was an immense tract of barren rock on which grew a kind of moss and shrub, on which deer that run by thousands feed and appear to be very fond of it.

There are numerous lakes among rocky bluffs whose waters freeze in the cold season to the depth of from seven to nine feet. He reports temperatures as low as 60 degs. in the winter, but the summer months, July and August, he says, are very hot.

Mr. Pike reports moose very scarce, but says there are large numbers of musk ox and thousands of caribou deer, the latter taking to the woods in winter. Mr. Pike is the only white man who has ever trod the path of the Franklin sufferers on the Fish river.

An English Sea Crab.

"I have a curiosity here," remarked a down town restaurateur, "the first of the kind seen in this country for a long time," pointing to a red backed non-descript that looked like a cross between a lobster and a Gulf crab.

"Only once in a great while does one get so far from home as New York. This one is little more than a baby, for it weighs but eight pounds. The average for full grown crabs is at least double that. I had not had this fellow a day when an English customer of mine offered me twenty dollars for it, with the privilege of keeping it on exhibition until he called for it.

Evarts Would Wait.

A good story about Senators Evarts and Hoar has just come out, rather late, but not too late to bear repetition. They were both members of the senate committee on the library.

One day Evarts and Hoar met by accident in the committee room. Mr. Hoar, in his querulous way, said to Mr. Evarts, "Look here, Evarts, when you get ready to call a meeting of the committee on the library I wish you would be kind enough to notify my executors."

Flotsam and Jetsam.

A whale sixty-eight feet long, and dead from the thrusts of a sword fish, floated ashore on the South Carolina coast the other day, and the two parties of negroes who found it fought for four hours as to which should take possession.

LIVE RIGHTLY.

I. One whom I loved went home long years ago, And I, who thought my life scarce worth the living.

Was chided by the words he dropped, uncomprehendingly.

Not thinking he was giving The key unto me for the years to come— The minor key since he went home.

II. "They tell me 'tis a solemn thing to die" (surely, thought I, surely they tell him rightly).

"It is a solemn thing to live, instead, And living well there is no death," he said; "We need not need to fear when life is ending here.

III. Hearing, I pondered on his helpful words, Ah! touched by angel fingers, low, sweet chords

Of faith arose and kept the strings vibrating; Harp-strings that have been hushed and mute so long.

IV. Trusting, I knew not that the hours were long, Or joy-bells ceased their ringing.

V. And every day I try to tune my life Unto the key he gave me;

VI. I know "at evening-time it shall be light," I know "at evening-time it shall be light."

Redeemed. Walter Besant, in a London journal, tells of his visit to the newly discovered remains of a Roman city at Silchester, Kent, England.

"You might look across that flat land to right and left, and never dream that a foot or two below the surface lie the foundations and floors and tessellated pavements of a great city, of which not a tradition or memory survives."

The town was built in square blocks, which can be traced where the corn is standing. The most interesting part of the place is the Forum, the official center of the town.

A perfect ground plan of a villa has been laid bare. The tenant of this house, which was probably of one story only, had a cloister built around a quadrangle, the fourth side remaining open; it inclosed a small garden; a large garden lay outside this.

Lippman's Pyrafuge. A SURE CURE FOR CHILLS & FEVER, DUMB AGUE AND MALARIA.

Reform in Funeral Ceremonies. "The time is coming," said an undertaker of this city the other day, "when people will cease to go to funerals in troops, and when the friends of the deceased will take farewell of his remains at his home instead of following him to the grave, as they do now.

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