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The Highway Cow.

The hue of her hide was dusky brown.
Her body was lean and her neck was thin.
One horn was turned in and the other turned down.

STORY OF SILENT JOE

In the year 1867 a young man named Charles Miller left Hartford, Conn., for the west.
At Buffalo he fell in with a man calling himself Henry Davidson, and the two traveled to Chicago together.

with open mouth. The miners played many a joke on him, and some of them were pretty rough ones.
When we found that he would not answer questions put to him verbally, we tried him in writing.

One morning a miner, who was supposed to be the richest man in the camp, was found waltering in his blood.
He had discovered a man in his tent the night before, and had boldly clutched him.

GREAT WORKS OF MAN.

The highest pyramid in existence is five hundred and twenty feet in height.
The walls of Babylon were three hundred and fifty feet high—slave labor.

The First Turnpike.

In the time of Charles II. restrictions were laid on the weight of carriages and their contents by limiting the number of axle by which they might be drawn.

Fish Leave a Dry Creek.

Dr. Henry Mowers of Highland Park, Ill., tells the following yarn and the Chicago News coaches for its truth.

Nothing to Say.

Smith—I say, Brown, what is your opinion of Dr. Pellet as a physician?

CHILDREN'S COLUMN.

Number One.
'I tell you,' said Bobbie, setting his peach,
And giving his sister mine.

What the Fowls Did.

Little Mary Dale, who lived in London, had been very ill. She was nine years old, but so small of her age, you would scarcely have taken her to be seven.

A Wonderful Parrot.

One of the most wonderful parrots in the world belongs to a writer in the Wide World. The parrot's first speech was "How do you do, Pollicy?"

Tremendous Hallstones.

Samuel Baker says in a letter from St. Louis, Mo., to the New York Herald: "I read in the Star of hallstones in Texas as large as walnuts, but have not seen anything in it about the hallstones in Ozark county, Missouri, which lasted about half an hour."

A Test of Strength.

Physician to (excuse me)—You feel stronger, do you not?
Convalescent—Oh, yes, doctor; very much stronger. I'm strong enough now for almost anything.

PLANTS THAT EAT.

Some Forms of Vegetation with an Appetite.

Interesting Species of Plant that Catch Flies and Mosquitoes.

Among the many rare and interesting plants forming the collection in the Botanical Garden at Washington there has recently been got together an almost complete set of insectivorous plants, so called from their being so constructed as to attract insects, capture them in various ways and feed upon them.

Bears in Maine.

A correspondent of the New York Sun writes: "There are several bear dens in various parts of Maine, ranged upon the hills, and they are a great attraction to their owners."

An American Army in 1777.

Here is a picture of one of the men at Valley Forge. "His bare feet peep through his worn shoes, his legs are matted with the frozen rags of an old pair of stockings, his breeches not enough to cover his nakedness, his shirt hanging in shreds, his hair disheveled, his face wan and thin, his look hungry, his whole appearance that of a man broken and nearly dead."

Choosing Between Two Evils.

"Moving again, eh? What's the matter with your boarding place this time?"
"Well, you know I told you about the tortoise I found in the last place."

A Train's Fast Trip.

Low Silences is one of the veteran passenger conductors on the New York division of the Pennsylvania railroad. He runs the 7:30 o'clock train from Philadelphia to New York every morning.

Life's Magnet.

Not that I have life's troubles and chagrins
That loom up into this mortal sphere.

Humorists.

A drink for the sick—well water.
Those who toil and spin—The bicycle riders.

The Eagle and the Tortoise.

An eagle once seized a tortoise, carried it to a great height in the air, and was about to let it fall. But the tortoise, taking the situation and seeing the eagle's thigh with his mouth, quietly remarked: "You are such a delightful companion that I couldn't think of parting with you yet."

Keeping Ahead of the Market.

"Possible Customer. What does a first-class dinner cost, Mr. Laymont?"
"Mr. Laymont (underbreath). Why, none of your family are dead, are they?"