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RATES OF ADVERTISING

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For larger advertisements liberal contracts will be made.

In Glad Weather. I do not know what skies there were...

The Marked Bank Bills. A STORY FOR OLD AND YOUNG.

Marshall, won't you do me the favor to keep this five dollar bill for me? I want to take my holiday soon...

Marshall lived with his parents, and Franklin was an orphan, but both were boys of excellent character...

While the two boys were talking about the money, Mr. Zimmerman, the senior partner of the firm...

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Mr. Zimmerman looked at the frank face of his young employe a moment, and said, with equal hesitation...

And here is another! he exclaimed a moment later, as he disclosed the other note belonging to Marshall...

The young clerk was too much shocked and surprised, for a time, to make any answer.

of last week's salary. Franklin cannot save money, and he asked me to keep his five dollars for him.

"I am very sorry, Marshall," responded the merchant, "but the proof is too plain. Your resignation was accepted, to take effect at once."

"But you will allow me to keep your or Franklin longer in our employ after this evidence of guilt on your part?"

"He can tell where he got his note," explained Marshall.

"There is some terrible mistake about this, Mr. Zimmerman," protested Archie.

"That will do, Marshall," said the merchant coldly.

"How is that, Zimmerman?" asked the junior partner.

"Simply this, Ford; both of them had marked notes in their possession, and acknowledged them to be theirs."

"I don't know, Zimmerman," he said, "those crosses look dull and blurred, as though they were part of the notes."

"No they are not, rejoined his partner angrily. 'Look at these,' and taking a roll of bank notes out of his pocket...

"Why Zimmerman," said he, "these are the very notes we marked."

"Yes; and these of Marshall and Franklin are merely impressions of them. You know I told you to use the blotting pad when you were marking them, and you said it was not necessary, the ink would soon dry!

"Another Testimonial. 'Is marriage a failure?' 'Yes,' replied Annie, as she gazed proudly at her ring-finger...

Oil of Roses. The collection of this precious perfume is a purely mechanical operation, based upon the principle of capillary attraction...

This leaves the sponge in the smaller jar, which is fixed upside down within the large jar just above the rose leaves...

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A Dog's Way of Talking. One hot summer day I chanced to spy from my study window a large dog disporting himself with provoking coquetry on my lawn...

Meeting the same dog on the street later in the day, I could not help thinking from his knowing look, though he carried a sober face...

Apple Growing in Nova Scotia. While the whole of Nova Scotia may be regarded as adapted for apple culture, about one-half, comprising those counties fringing on the Bay of Fundy...

OF this area only about one-third is planted, and one-sixteenth is bearing, although the one-third is rapidly approaching the bearing period...

Origin of Steeplechasing. Steeplechasing can be traced back as far as 1752, and Ireland seems to have been the land of its birth.

The Retort Courteous. Clara - "Do you know, Maude, Mr. Switters paid me a great compliment, last night?"

Maude - "No; what did he say?" Clara - "He said I was among the prettiest girls at the party."

Maude - "Yes; I noticed you were among them." - [Yale Record.]

CHILDREN'S COLUMN.

Two Little Toads. Over the fields, by the westward hill, close to the murmuring mountain rill...

Happy, with plenty of bugs to eat, And for aught I know they live there still, Over the fields, by the westward hill.

In the West Indies and some other hot countries there are distant relations of our fire-flies and glow-worms...

A Correspondent recently wrote the London (England) Times from Walton Lodge, Boxwood: "You may not often have heard of such extraordinary tameness in a wild bird as one in these parts recently displayed."

The Noble Art of Self-Defense. "Do you think it well for me to learn the noble art of self-defense?" a youth inquired of his pastor.

"Certainly not," answered the minister. "I learned it in my youth myself, and I have found it of great value during my life."

Neither, I learned Solomon's system," replied the minister. "Solomon's system?"

"Yes. You will find it laid down in the first verse of the fifth chapter of Proverbs: 'A soft answer turneth away wrath.' It is the best system of self-defense which I have any knowledge of."

"Ye-terday," said the man to me, "I looked down upon a small court yard surrounded on all sides by trees. In the court yard sat a clucking hen with eleven chickens, and a pretty little girl was running and jumping around them."

"But this evening, only a few minutes ago, I looked down into the same court yard. Everything was quiet. But presently the little girl came forth again, crept quietly to the hen house, pushed back the bolt and slipped into the apartment of the hen and chickens."

"What are you doing here?" he asked. "She wept and said: 'I wanted to kiss the hen and beg her pardon for frightening her yesterday, but I was afraid to tell you.'"

"And the father kissed the innocent child's forehead, and kissed her on the mouth and eyes." - [Hans Christian Andersen.]

SURGICAL MARVELS.

Two Wonderful Operations Recently Performed.

Probing the Brain and Restoring a Mute's Sense of Hearing.

To open the skull and penetrate the brain is not so common a surgical feat that it has ceased to be a wonder.

After several months, and while in this helpless and well-nigh hopeless condition, the patient was brought to this city. The physicians who examined him concluded that the trouble was due to pressure on the brain, especially on that part of it which governs the faculty of speech...

Acting upon this belief, it was decided to open the skull, by face the surface of the brain and remove the cause or pressure if possible.

The outer delicate membrane covering the brain was now brought into view. Beneath it lay a large, dark mass of clotting blood, extending down into the substance of the brain.

As a rule nerves are born deaf, but sometimes severe disease in infancy destroy completely the sense of hearing. Under these circumstances even a partial recovery of hearing is extremely rare.

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A peculiar affection of the liver has recently been observed in France among persons engaged in manufacturing candied fruits, says Plumb.

It has been suggested by the Medical Surgical Reporter that the cause of the trouble may be found in the various substances, such as mallic, tartaric and citric acids, employed in the manufacture of candies...

Dr. Albertin of Lyons says that among the large number of candy factories which he has visited he has not found one in which from one to three workmen were not suffering with the disease.

He Drew the Line. "Will you marry me?" "Ask Papa?" "No, Gertrude. I'm willing to run the risk of marrying you, but I wouldn't tackle the old man for \$50,000,000."

Taming the Puma.

To show what may be done in the way of taming the puma, or Rocky Mountain lion, usually deemed one of the most intractable of animals...

Occasional attempts were made, but a twist of ear by Mr. Wittich was sufficient to control her.

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Sythe Song.

Mowers, weary and brown and blithe, What is the word methinks ye know, Endless over-work that the sythes know?

The butcher's honor is always at stake. A person should push through, not pull through, life.

"This suspense is killing me," said the horse thief, who was in the hands of the mob.

Man was made to mourn, but he has found things so that his wife has taken the job off his hands.

Ruzzle - How much did you pay for that dress suit you had the other evening? Duzzle - Fifty cents a pound.

The average boy is a natural savage. That is why he is called a little shaver, being in the barbarous stage of his existence.

As Many Tigers as Inhabitants. The officials in Annam had not with considerable difficulty in dealing with tigers, which are extremely numerous in that part of Indo-China...

The Amnesiac, in the hope of profiting so formidable an enemy, have caused the tiger almost to the level of a divinity.

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Twins - "Yeth, thir, thumath." P. of the P. - "Ah, I thought so. Well, who whips?" Twins - "Mamma whips." - [Philadelphia Times.]