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"I KNOW NOT WHAT THE TRUTH MAY BE; I'LL TELL IT AS IT WAS TOLD TO ME."

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MISTAKES OF HISTORY.

That Creep Into the Popular Mind and Are Hard to Eradicate

What is history but universally ac-oted fable?" said a learned Smithian professor. "I quote the great poleon. For example, consider Plyath rock. In the town of Plymouth rock with a fence around it. It is ort of local fetish. On Forefather's every year exercises are held there memorating the alleged fact that this rock the pilgrims landed. As atter of fact, there is no evidence at such was the fact. Prof. Channg, the historical expert of Harvard, s traced the story back, and believes to have been started by an old man ned Faunce, who many years ago nted out the rock to some children,

ying: "Here they landed." "History states that the pilgrims ar-ed on Sunday, but refrained from ding until Monday lest they should the Sabbath. That is pure nond children stayed on the ship all ter because it was more comfort-

The gorgeousness and high civilizaof the ancient Mexicans at the e of the Spanish conquest have been manently embalmed in history. whole story is a misrepresenta Cortez naturally wished to give impression at home that he had

nered a great and rich nation. In ality it was only a half-civilized and tutored people. The mode of living as patriarchal, whole families of one adred or more persons living in one The communal dwelling was one story and necessarily of large

These structures were described the Spaniards as 'palaces.' The le ate only one cooked meal each , for the rest of their food dependon a 'grub diet' picked up anyhow. e dinners partaken of by so many dividuals are reported in history as nquets.'

The schoolboy learns that Columba s the man who first conceived the a that the world was round. Nothcould be more nonsensieal. The ath is, that he merely accepted a non on this subject which had been aded down from classic times by iolarly men. Strabo, the Letithor, was one of these. The concept n was for many centuries as a faint ght glimering in darkness.

Let me call your attention to an inace of the making of fictitious his y. There are excellent reasons for eving that the Norsemea reached shores of North America before Co The records of their sugas. vever, give no notion of the locality ere they landed. Only a few such a-descriptive facts are stated as that ey found grapes growing. Yet an usiast named Horsford, a trustee Harvard, a few years ago built on Charles river a tower between and Newton to comaltham emorate the landing of the Norse oyagers at that point. The gas tell of going up a river nd Horsford chose to assume that the barles river was the river referred to. ery likely the notion thus recorded a monument will gain a general

EARS OF A RABBIT. Different Positions in Which They Carry Them-Styles for Eating and Running.

"Did you ever see a rabbit's ears stand up like that?" demanded Uncle Tom, flipping the cars of a toy that Dolly held in her hand.

"Yes, indeed!" answered Dolly promptly, pointing to the picture of a rabbit in a book that lay at her side. The little girl had bought a pattern of a rabbit at the store and with a bit of white canton-flannel and two red and while buttons for eyes she had fashioned a ribbit for little Ted that was as like as life. Everything was finished now except the ears, and these, daintily lined with pink, Dolly was in the act of putting into their proper places. She had bestowed great care on placing these useful members

correctly, and for that purpose she had hunted up the book. which she knew contained an admirable picture of a ibbit. Imitating this picture as accurately as possible she had fastened one car,

setting it on the head in a perfectly upright position, and now she was holding the other to its place on the opposite side, and was eyeing it at arm's length to decide if the two were 'a pair

Uncle Tom took the book and examfned the picture critically; then laughing, he said:

"Why, Dolly, the rabbit in the picture is sitting still, nibbling at a cabbage leaf; of course his cars stand straight up. But this one that you have made is running at full speed and just in the act of making a leap. A rabbit in that position should have his ears lying back from his head, almost puralel with his body."

"Does the wind blow them back as he runs?" asked Dolly, making the alteration without further question. "That," said her uncle, much

imused, "is one explanation, perhaps, but there is another and I think a better one, which the naturalists suggest.

Turning over the leaves of the pleture-book he pointed first to the pic-ture of a fox, then to one of a wolf, and then to pictures of other beasts of prey of various kinds.

"These animals," he explained, indi-cating the cars of each, "have the cars pointed forward as they proceed. Can you suggest any reason for the difference?

Dolly shook her head, but listened attentively. "Well, continued Uncle Tom, "you

know that the rabbit, or hare, is a very timid animal and never attacks or pursues another animal, and that it feeds only on vegetable diet. Whenever, therefore, it is found to be in a state of motion the chances are that it is fleeing from some enemy in the rear. It is to its interests, then, to keep its attention steadily fixed on sounds preceeding from that quarter. For this purpose nature has taught it to adjust its cars, or its ear trumpet, as the long outside part of the organ of hearing really is, so as to best collect all the sound waves, and to offer the least resistance

WOMEN OF TO-DAY. The Force of Habit. Brain Cultivation Has Pushed Charm of "Habit, habit, habit, how it Manner Into the Background. Has the woman of to-day the charm binds a man with chains of iron!" of the woman of a century ago? Has exclaimed the Temperance Lecher boasted education lessened or inereased that charm? We all agree that at the present urer out of a Job, dramatically

ant, but does it increase her charm?

that way ruin lies.

all hazards.

woman

world.

either.

Y. Advertiser.

-N. Y. Advertiser.

The Power of Price.

Milliner-I beg your pardon,

Mrs. Feathers (surveying bonnet

N.

There is danger ahead for the Ameri-

A clever man of the world not long

ago was heard to say apropos of this

subject: "The most charming and de-

lightful thing in the world, but I re-

conscious; she loses the charm of sim-

plicity of speech and manner. The former is stilted, the latter aggressive.

subtle something called charm, better

for the peace of mind of that woman

were she hopelessly plain, for without

If you ask me how to acquire this

splendid and decorative objects. The

material is hard and strong. The

natural color is a delicious deep creamy

white, and so we have the best of

foundations with which to start.

cinating bonbonnieres. But it is when

painted after Persian models that the

shells become really gorgeous. Then they are pierced at both ends. They

it she delights not man nor woman

"And that's right, too," comperiod woman is more companionable to man, taking her in the sense of a mented the Son of Toil. comrade, than her ancestress of one "Ah, my friend, you seem to hundred years back; that, intellectual-

ly, a man acknowledges her his equal, and last of all treats her as such, yieldhave had some experience with habits," said the Lecturer. ing her ungrudgingly place in business and professions, all of which tends to make her self-confident and self-reli-

"You bet I have," replied the other. "That's what causes all the misery of my life."

can woman. In her eager desire to The Lecturer glowed with stand side by side with man she is becoming aggressively self-confident, and pleasure. Here right before him unless she watches herself there is risk was a horrible example and he of becoming too elever, of becoming stilled, dogmatic in the expression of proceeded to draw the man out. her opinion-in a word. unnatural, and

"You have telt the irresistible eraving which drags you down while all your better natuae is

crying out against it ?" "That's what."

gret to say the rarest, is a thoroughly natural woman." A shrewd comucht. The woman of to-day cultivates her mind to such an extent that she is self-

"You have realized that your habit was hurrying you to the grave at breakneck speed and yet you have felt that you could not

robbed you of food, made you bleary-eyed, nervous and physically exhausted ?"

"Many and many a night, sir, I've gone without sleep just from thinking of it, and it has got to be a common prrctice to go for long spells without eating when the pressure comes."

"You have starved your family and let your children go in rags because of it ?"

"Well, hardly that. My besetting habit has taken care of my

"You don'r mean that you are dealer ?"

She may be as fair in face as Titian's but he answered, "No." "La Bella" and as perfect in form as the Venus of Milo, yet if she lack the

solve to conquer it. You can if things and go home.

nade haste to explain that the Princess Salm-Salm had laid : ager with one of the officers the she could kiss the President. He udacious sally won her a box of gloves .- The Century.

To Die on the Gallows.

Danville Register: There will be a hanging at Rocky Mount on the 25th instant. William Robertson, a youth scarcely 20 years of age, will pay the penalty for cold blooded murder.

On a dark and gloomy night in January, 1892, Robertson cruelly murdered Jerry Barlow, a man 65 years of age, the object being robten dollars was secured.

Robertson was tried in the county court of Franklin, found guilty and sentenced to be hang d. An appeal to the circuit court resulted in an affirmation of the rulings of the lower court and a second appeal to the Supreme court resulted in like manner' but Robertson's neck was saved by these appeals three years. The day for the execution was set for December 21st, but Gov. O'Ferrall granted a respite until

What Next.

The Carlisle currency bill was knocked out in the first round. The Republicans and Populists were solid against it, and the Democrats could not pull themselves together in favor of it and down went the bill.

Well it's a pity, and it is humiliating to acknowledge it, but the



NOTABLE NEW ENGLAND ELMS. The Pride of Many Villages as They Well Deserve to Be

The elms of New England have always been famous, both for their size and beauty, and there is hardly a town or village, however small, that does very. The insignificant sum of not possess a goodly number of these grand old trees. It is eminently fitting that to Wethersfield, which, next to Windsor, is the earliest settlement in onnecticut, should belong the honor of possessing the oldest as well as the largest elm in the state. More than that, those who profess to be familiar with New England's big trees say that the Wethersfield elm is the largest cast of the Rocky mountains. It is a grand old tree, and, in its rugged and sturdy appearance, a fit rival of the mighty The huge branches shoot out from the trunk at a compara-tively short distance from the ground, and each one of these branches is large enough to make a respectable tree by itself. The circumference of the trank 3 feet above the ground is 32 feet and 1 inch. Six feet up, coming to what might be called the waist of the tree. January 25th, on which day Rob-ertson will be hanged in the coun-ty jail at Rocky Mount. the circumference is 26 feet 1 inch, and Measuring around the roots of the tree, at a point where they extend into the ground, we have the enormous cir cle of 5814 feet. An area 464 feet in circumference is covered by the vast out spreading limbs. Until two years ago the area was 457 feet, but a furious ice storm lopped off some of the outer

branches. In Windsor, the oldest Connecticut settlement, are several grand old elms, and there is one which, it is claimed, is a trifle larger than the Wethersfield elm. But this statement has never been conclusively proved. The little village of Sheffield, Mass.,

possesses an elm which has been faous for many years, both for its size has proven itself incompetent and and the towering sweep of its branches "Ah, I see, you have not yet indisposed to do anything in the Its trunk is about sixteen feet in circumference, and the topmost branches reached the lowest stage of de- way of financial relief, and as that rise many feet above the summits of gradation, and you think to es- is the only business Congress has the other trees in the vicinity. It is plainly visible at a considerable dis-tance, and persons in that portion of the Berkshize hills seldom fail to see the famous Sheffield elm.

One of the grandest elms in all New England, so far as beauty and symmetry of form are concerned, stands on a

way up in the northwestern part of the

state, very near the Massachusetts

boundary line. The locality is a lonely

it would seem as though nature, in

to see. In the summer its limbs,

spreading out from the trunk, appear

lost, after ascending a few feet, in a

dense mass of rich foliage, while the

to touch the earth, and gently sway-

ing in the breeze, seem to invite one

is in quiet and repose beneath the

the us and refreshing shade. So

onivard contour forms almost a com-

piete semi-circle from the ground clear

Coloring Wood.

pearance of age is something upon

which a great deal of time, money and

thought has been expended. A new

dye or stain that promises to be more

is made by adding to one thousand

parts of water fifty parts of commer-

To produce upon new wood the ap-

over its summit .- N. Y. Times.

trical is it on all sides that the

elm

landscape. This Canaan

Col. John D. Cameron reported to the Asheville Citizen last Friday that he saw that morning scarlet tanager, a bright, beautiiul song-bird, and its appearance < made remarkable by the fact 'hat it ordinarily never appears before the latter part of April or lirst of May.

The Vance mills made 34,000 pounds of varn last week, the Salisbury News says.

The Scout says the snow fall in the mountains near Murphy was reported to be 18 inches deep on a level last week.

The Rutherford Democrat says there is more interest in mining in its section and more demands for mining properties than for 30

In Atlanta a root doctor told Mrs. Bailey Johnson she was filled with lizards. She died from fright soon after.

The goat eats up the posters, the waste basket gets the circulars, the ragman lugs off the handbills, but newspapers with their advertisements are saved and read by the people .- Greenville Reflector.

Jerry Simpson says life in Washington broke him. He couldn't keep up style on \$5,000 a year, and had to mortgage his Kansas

Down at Anderson, Ind., a young woman has slept for twen-

She has won a reputation for cleverness, and she strives to maintain it at resist it ?" In a word, in season and out of sea-"Yes, sir." son, at home and abroad, she never ceases to remember that she is a bright "It has robbed you of sleep and It has been happily said of a French

woman whose gracious charm is pro-verbial that she is clever enough to onceal her cleverness from man. Not so the American woman, who parades the fact untiringly in the face of the

A woman of this character is never charming, and we all know that one who possesses that gift sways more hearts, and, better still, retains them onger than a woman of twice her wit

and of even greater beauty. We hear much of beautiful women and we have all experienced that sense of disappointment upon seeing for the first time some world famous beauty.

We fail to see that marvelous perfection; we look in vain for flawless face and form and coloring, we shrug our

shoulders and go away wondering at family in pretty good shap." the short-sightedness of man. We for-get that beauty is in the eye of the be-holder, and that a charming woman is in the opinion of a man a beautiful

The Son of Toil looked puzzled, truth is the Democratic Congress

cape it. But let me warn you, in hand that particularly interests my friend, you will not, unless the people at large, the members charm I should say, "Be natural, again be natural and always be natural."- you overcome your habit. Re- might as well pack up their play-

redit some day, though there is no ore reason to suppose that the river as the Charles than that it was the Delaware or Hudson, or any one of ozens of other rivers.

"I quoted Napoleon a moment ago. You probably know that no battle was fought at Waterloo, Waterloo was a post dispatch station some miles listant. Dispatches were sent thence l England, and hence the name given the battle.

"Sheridan's ride to Winchester was ot twenty miles-not over ten milethink. There never was any founda on in fact for the story of Barbara Frietchie. The same is true of the varns about Pocahontas and John mith."-Washington Star.

Conflicting Views of Eloquence.

In the recently published life of corge William Curtis there is an acurtis and Roscoe Conkling on the bject of eloquence at the time when relations of the two men with ch other had been undisturbed. Mr. e most eloquent passage of an author could remember. Mr. Curtis Imdiately recited a passage from one of Emerson's essays. Mr. Conkling illed to approve it as the best specien within his knowledge, and gave s his ideal an extract from Charles ague's Fourth of July oration in ston descriptive of the American dian as our forefathers found him dr. Curtis found this extract only ridiulous in the comparison, and conesses to have been so impolite as to laugh after it was recited. The effect. pon the mighty Roscoe can well be just a little peculiar that no promising magined.-Boston Herald.

Cleaning Pots and Pans.

A woman naturally hates to clean up bread or cake bowl after the dough wgot hard. They should be cleaned oon na used, but if necessary to save them for a time, run the tray or wl full of cold water and let it stand When you get ready to clean it the gh will be in the bottom of the stensil as a general thing, and you will only have to rinse and dry it. The ame is true of kettles and skillets. I not approve of setting any utensils aside when the dishes are washed, for if you keep an oyster shell with a thick smooth edge at ; and you can clean the roughness out of anything in half a moment, but if you don't want o do it just then you will find that an ron pot in which potatoes have burned the bottom, or a skillet in which cat or gravy has simmered to a crust, will be easy enough to elean, after tanding an hour or two filled with old water .- Washington Star.

His Manner of Working.

"Yes, I've been working like a dog y." grumbled Swiggles, leaning in his chair at the club house. "Like a setter dog?" asked the other

Without shifting his position Swigies lazily pushed the button of the lectric bell and ordered four large ers.-Chicago, Tribune.

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to their passage to the inner organ. In such a position the cars would nat urally be flattened back against its head, as you now have them.

"Now, when a wolf goes in search of his prey his thoughts are intent on what is before him. He concentrates his attention on the sounds that may lead bim in the direction of his victim. His ear trumpets, therefore, are turned forward to eatch the sounds that may aid him in his chase."

Treated with even simple gold orna-"And so it is with all animals that ment they are charming, and fitted prey upon others."-Detroit Free Press. with silken bags they make most fas-

THE POWER OF RAIN.

No Good Plan Has Yet Been Brought Forward to Utilize It.

are treated in the truest Oriental style A Philadelphia engineer , has figured with stripes of deep, warm red, rich out that 1 inch of rain, falling upon an blue and gold, and are suspended by area of 1 square mile, is equivalent to chains of brass run through the unt of a conversation between Mr. | nearly 17,560,000 gallons, weighing 145,hollow shell. Some seen recently 200,000 pounds, or 72,000 tons. Asanmadd a final and most successful ing this water to have failen from touch to a Persian corner arranged in clouds about half a mile, or, say, 1,000 a clever woman's home. The corner feet, above the earth, we have for the itself is curtained off with hangings of onkling asked Mr. Curtis what was tenergy represented by it about 22,000 real Persian make, and there is a divan horse-power. With pumping machinery covered and cushioned with a rug and working at the low rate of consumpstuffs all of the same sort. But the tion of 2 pounds of coal per horse-power per hour, it would take 200 gross tons of coal to raise the water represented by 1 inch of rain on a square mile to the assumed height of 3,000 teet. As a matter of fact, rain often falls from clouds which are at much greater height than 5,000 feet above he ground, so that the figures just given are quite conservative ones. With all the talk that there has been

about utilizing waste energies, it seems scheme has yet been evolved to turn to good account the prodigious power

waste which thus far has been shown

to go on with every rainfall of any ac-count. And yet, while writing, a pro-No. I don't think it will suit. jeet comes to mind which was advanced about ten years ago, apparently in mark is faint. I meant fifteen ninetygood faith, by some enterprising genus | eight. in the West Indies, to accomplish exactly this saving. What he proposed to do was to conduct the water from vertiser. each roof, during heavy tropical rains, into a main pipe supplying a small turbine coupled to a dynamo. The electricity so developed by passing showers | cold? was to be stored in accumulators, and these, as they became charged in variable times, depending of course, on the min-fall, were to be collected and stored at central depots, from which the power was afterward to be distrib-

uted. Unfortunately, however, this enticing scheme did not meterialize, so that the field is still open for some one else.-Cassin's Magazine.

Narrow Escape.

Patrick, coming into a street-car, found only one seat vacant, and promptly took it. "It's looky I come when I did," said

"That's so, Pat," answered some one. "Bekase," he want on, "if I was com in' a shound later, I'd be afther havin'

erowdhed mesilf out of me sate!"-Youth's Companion.

SOME GORGEOUS EGG SHELLS. you try.' The Ostrich Contributes More Than His

"Well, I don't know. I some **Pinmes to Fashion** times think it would be pretty Ordinary egg shells are commonplace everyday frail objects enough, but osdull if I should break it off." trich egg shells can be made into really

"No, no, no! You would be a free man. You would feel such joy as you never before had felt in your life. Your wife would fal on your neck with tears of thank-

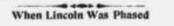
fulness. Come, my friend, the demon has not an unbreakable clutch upon you. Sign the pledge never to drink-"

a drop in my lite. What are you source. We are quite prepared to giving us ?"

"But I thought you knew the power of habit; that you had felt should prove a successful effort .-the craving which you could not Danville Register. resist; that you hal spent nights

without sleep and days without egg shells which hang here and there excite more comment than all else. food: that you were being dragged They seem like oval balls of splendor, if balls can be oval, and their deep, down to an early grave .--- '

rich tones decorate the corner even "I have, but 'tain't the drink more successfully than would more costly things. They are peculiar, too, habit. What's done all that to and out of the common things always me, pretcher, is the consarued appeal to a true woman's heart, so that for every reason their owner is to be habit I've had ever since I was a ongratulated upon having put egg boy of working."-Buffalo Exshells to so unique and so telling a use. press.



critically)-Five ninety-eight for this? At a luncheon given by Gen. Sickles at his headquarters, among the the ladies present was the Princess

Salm-Salm, whose husband was a

dy attracted much admiration by determination this year. They Scattered-Briggs-Well, did that her graceful and dashing riding are going to change the old saying that is so much desired by lovers of fine in the cavalcade, and attended "hard times" to better times and furniture. Under the same treatment. the reviews. Before her marriage of course they can do it simply by treatment with calcium chloride gives she was a Miss Leelere of Phila- raising more hog and hominey, delphia. It was this remarkable do on less, stay out of debt and it increased by dark coloring, and as this woman who astonished the Presi- they do that by next January we dent on his entering Gen. Sickles' will see more money in circula. commercial importance.-N.Y. Ledger.

on his surprised and not altogther tion and not politics.

could pull himself together and

note to the coarsest variety of wrap- whereupon some of the party self.

We sin erely trust Mr. Cleveland will call the newly elect d Congress together as early as the law allows and give the Republicans a chance. They have boast- making all the surrounding country so ed that they can quickly relieve the financial distress of the country and if they can do it the country is willing.

the railroad station, and a short dis-We would much prefer that the tance off from the road to Ashley relief should have come through Falls. It is plainly visible, however from the railroad train, and has a Democratic Congress, but that dreds of travelers. King T. Sheldon. being impossible, let's have the of Winsted, has traveled nearly all "Drink! Why, I never drank relief, no matter what may be its over New England and seen scores of beautiful trees, but he has no hesitancy in saying that this Cannan clm is appreciate an effort along this by far the handsomest, the most grace line from his saturic majesty if it ful and symmetrical tree he has ever seen. To a lover of grand trees this elm is worth making a special journey

Franklin Press: A new game is very popular in some parts of lower branches, stooping down as if the country. All of the young men favor of it say "1." It is called "the onion social" and is played as follows: Six young ladies stand in a row, one of them bites a piece out of an onion and the

fellows pay ten cents each to guess who bit it. The correct guessers kiss the other five girls while the unsuccessful kiss the one who bit satisfactory than any heretofore used the onion.

cial alizaria. Into this ammonia is Rockingham Rocket: Farmers put, drop by drop, until a portion of the liquid taken from the bulk and agistaff officer in the army. This la- are going to work with energy and tated gives off a distinct ammonia olor. This stain will color maple to a red brown, giving it the appearance of age oak takes on a yellow-brown. After a much darker and richer color. The value of many sorts of wood is greatly stain strikes deep into the wood, it is

A proverb singer says: "The

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

ty-four days, while a farmer of the fine old farm in Canaan, Conn. This is same place has not slept for 111 days, says the dispatches. No one, being in the Berkshire hills, and one can doubt that the correspondents have pleasant dreams.

delightful, had put forth her best energies to produce trees which should David Holmes, the English lanot only harmonize with, but add bor advocate, is plain, modest and to the universal beauty of the 18 unpretentious man, who has all about three-quarters of a mile from the facts and figures of the textile trade at his finger ends and has seen all that is worth seeing in elicited general admiration from hunour industrial centres, has gone back to England.

> Three horse thieves were hung at one hanging in Oklahoma last week. Express car robbing and bank looting are the only safe industries in that territory.



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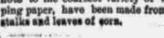
throat, and now it is scattered all over me .- Indianapolis Journal. Unfortunate Carelesse Papa-Why so thoughtful, John-

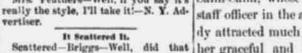
Johnnie-Well, people are having such a hard time hunting for the north

pole I think it's too bad it ever was lost .-- Judge. A Nobody Now. Mrs. De Style-Why did you cut Mrs

Highupp? Mrs. De Fashlon-Her horse didn's take a prize at the horse show .- N. Y.

Weekly.





Mrs. Feathers-Well, if you say it's

dose I told you to take scatter your Braggs-It did, beautifully. When I saw you the cold was only in my

headquarters, by flying at him tion, and hear less grumbling. and imprinting a bouncing kiss That is the best plan for redemp-

attractive face. As soon as he

recover from his astonishment, man that never makes a mistake

the President thanked the lady, never amounts to much." Perhaps -All grades of paper, from the finest but with evident discomposure; he makes a holy show of him-

11 Made a Poor Peasant

at once practical and of a good deal of

How General A. Got Even with Emperor Nicholas of Russia.

Happy.

He Made Ills Majesty Pay Dearly for a Little Joke at His Exponse-But