

A NORTHERN LEGEND.

It was on a wild, wintry night in the polar regions of the most northern estuary of Hudson's bay that I was reposing...

As the white smoke lazily ascended and drifted away through the little holes in the top of the walls of snow...

Far, far in the mythical past, when the ancestors of the Innuits, or Eskimoes, first came to this land...

"Who reigns in this fair land?" asked our Innuit fore-fathers of the peaceful inhabitants. The deity we now worship is Aksharnak...

So the deity of the elder ducks was made god of all. Tornarsuk remained among them to see the effect, and so great was the contentment...

Half the year he seemed morose and the days were short and the nights were long, but when the flowers came and with them the birds...

petual day and eternal plenty, so the footsore pilgrims were contented, and their god of two moods they gladly forgot...

Then began the grand war of the gods which is not even yet decided. Many are the messengers that have been sent to Tornarsuk...

Then the great elder god made wings from the ocean waves for her subjects, that they might fly south to the warm sun...

And in the silence which followed this narrative I could not help but think that however profuse or partially it may be worded...

Good News for the Sleepless. It comes from Turin, where it is proposed to publish a newspaper printed in luminous ink...

To Ward off Dogs. The advice of the Brussels veterinary professor is to have people should ward off attacks from dogs...

no black darkness and loved the white light—and he made the polar bear as white as the snow...

And so the wily fox, fearing that the elders would not supply it with all the eggs it could eat in the summer...

Most loyal of all to the elder duck were the Inuits, who had been the cause of all the wretchedness...

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JOAQUIN AS A STORY-TELLER.

The Feet of the Mirras Wives of Half Wild Cattle and Rattlesnakes. My present letter is from Eugene City, Ore., where my father settled down...

Oh, the cow! I tell you, candidly, an old blue cow with big white eyes which I had to milk, used to watch with her big eyes till I got the dipper full...

And just this was actually the terrible part of hunting them up. The whole land was alive with rattlesnakes. The grass was tall and thick, and we poor boys wore on foot, and barbed-foot...

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AN ACTRESS' MAKE-UP.

What is Used to Beautify the Skin and Blacken the Eyelids. "Nothing is so exaggerated or mysterious to the outside world as the 'make-up' process of actors..."

"Well, I suppose actresses adopt the same process as fashionable women?" "Not a bit of it. Actresses have to follow simple and quick methods to make up for a stage appearance..."

"The enameling process, which originated in France, is very rarely resorted to on account of its baneful effects. It gives the face a ghost-like, wax-like, and is far from being beautiful..."

A Better Mental Digestion Needed. If you will carefully inquire among young men whose spare hours are spent on cards and loafing...

James Parton's Family. James Parton has two children, one of them a boy, but they have come late. His first wife was Mrs. Sara Willis Eldredge...

Good for the Boy. At one of the north-shore resorts the people in the town will tell you some very funny tales of the—speak properly—piggishness of a family noted in paths of literature...

A CITY OF BEGGARS.

Neapolitans Unexampled for Beauty, Cruelty, Immorality and Laziness. The Neapolitans are nearly all beggars. No city in the kingdom is more populous or more poor...

But, with all this, there is a cowardly skulking and a brutality that is not Italian but Oriental. No sight is more common along that hilly road leading from the famous Santa Lucia to the height of Posillipo...

The Neapolitan housewife of this poorer class has no care. She makes no attempt to "faire le menage." She gives the little ragmuffin a soldo or two to get his dinner...

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A LOUISIANA ORACLE.

Divine she moves, resplendent, bright, With charms that speak a sunny soul, And not the day, nor silent night...

Her tresses flowing wealth was seen, With rounded form and rosy mouth, And amorous Aphrodite's grace...

The Prospects in Mexico. Ex-Congressman J. H. Bice, of Maine, who now makes his home in this city, was recently in Mexico...

The Kansas Corn Crop. The corn crop of Kansas this year is very much less than that of last year. And yet, says The Topeka Capital, the yield is estimated at 180,000,000 bushels...

Art Students in Paris. There is no longer any free education for art students in France. Messrs. Cabanel, Gerome, Jean Paul Laurens, and Hubert will not be obliged to devote weekly some hours to the inspection of the work of pupils at the Beaux Arts...

Why List Hated the Russians. List hated the Russians, because once when he was at Dorpat—a university town, and idolized by the women, as usual—a joke was put up on him...

A LETTER FROM A BULLET.

A Besieged General Makes a Mail Carrier of a London Biscuit. The museum of the Berlin general postoffice has received an interesting addition to its treasures...

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Don't Analyze Your Pleasures. Don't analyze your pleasures if you want to be happy. Just enjoy them and don't study into them too closely...