

I OWE NO MAN A DOLLAR.

Oh, do not envy, my own dear wife. The wealth of our next-door neighbor. But bid me still be stout of heart.

This neighbor who show has dazzled your eyes. In fact, is a wretched debtor; I pity him off, from my very heart.

ARE ANTS CIVILIZED?

The October number of the Quarterly Journal of Science contains an article on "Our Six-footed Rivals," the ants, which may well cause us to believe that we are not the only rational and civilized beings on this globe.

Let us suppose that we were suddenly informed, on good authority, that there existed a race of beings who lived in domed habitations, aggregated together so as to form vast and populous cities.

Among the hymenoptera the lead is undoubtedly taken by the ants, which, like man, have a brain much more highly developed than that of the neighboring inferior groups.

pellets of earth from ant to ant until placed at a sufficient distance outside to prevent it rolling back into the hole. Their errors and stupidity are not more conspicuous, however, than among the human beings.

These tiny creatures have a language by which they can impart to each other information of a very definite character, and not merely general signals, such as those of alarm.

THE BAR AND THE BENCH.

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A PLAGUE OF FLIES.

A California paper gives the following account of a plague of flies: "When people read of the plague of flies of Egypt, they are sometimes apt to wonder what sort of flies they were—whether they were our common and sometimes very tiresome visitor, the house-fly, or whether they were a species of mosquito, or what.

LOST DOGS IN LONDON.

As every one knows, dogs are often lost in large towns, and roam about miserably in search of their master or mistress. A sight of them in such circumstances is exceedingly pitiable.

SEED WHEAT.

When a grain of wheat germinates, the germ draws its first nutriment—its life-giving principle—from what scientists call endosperm, which, in a great part, is starch and gluten, and from this the embryo wheat plant obtains the nourishment necessary to its development before it is capable of depending on the soil and atmosphere for sustenance; it is simply a question, then, whether a shrunk seed, evidently lacking in vitality, contributes as liberally the required nourishment during the embryonic growth of the plant as a plump, vigorous grain of wheat.

ORGANIZED HOTEL ROBBERS.

Travelers and sojourners at hotels have great occasion to be on their guard against robbery. A dispatch from Chicago says: "The capture of James Barry, who, with a chambermaid accomplice, robbed a large number of the guests at the Palmer House, in this city, of jewelry and diamonds, is much more important than at first supposed.

LIVE AND DEAD WEIGHT OF TURKEYS.

Farmers frequently have occasion to sell turkeys by live weight, and wish to know what is the fair relative price between live and dead weight. In turkeys dressed for the New York market, where the blood and feathers only are removed, the loss is very small.

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IT IS THEIR WAY.

What Mrs. Walter Whitman Discovered in Opening a Letter Addressed to her Husband. Mrs. Whitman is like all the rest of them. She loves Whitman as a wife should, and she knows that he doesn't pass an hour of the twenty-four where he would be ashamed to take her.

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