

My Playmates

The wind comes whispering to me of the country green and chattering of blackbirds chattering beside a ready pool.

What has become of Ezra Marsh, who lived with a girl?

O cottage 'neath the maples, have you seen those girls and boys?

A Designing Delicence

Manuel Terreno sat in his office, overlooking the plaza, in an unamiable frame of mind.

At this stage the matter might have been accommodated. Unfortunately, a second woman must needs intrude.

Returning, she found Manuel just closing a consultation with the alcalde, and at sight of him her calmness was not restored.

How 'The Bell' Was Written

A dozen ideas filled his mind as he presented himself to the judge and said he had found it.

Take JOHNSON'S CHILL & FEVER TONIC.

DUELS IN GERMANY

Four Thousand Fought Every Year—More Than Elsewhere

More duels are fought in Germany than in any other country.

Italy has had 2,759 duels in the last ten years, and has lost fifty citizens by death.

Orators and Entertainers

At a socialistic has the age grown that in certain quarters the impression seems to prevail that orators can be turned out like easy handles.

How 'The Bell' Was Written

A Northern Colony

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Reminiscences of Earle

The life of man is woven of mingled shade and light. Much shadow clouds the brightness; excess of light banishes the shadow.

There was in the man a force de reserve that signified uncommon mental strength.

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AMERICAN ART

Its Growth Has Been Slow, Sure and Steady

It appears that the typical American, with all his singularity, his Gradgrind fashion of demonstrating facts and his practical hard, keen, every-day, business view of life, has a soft spot for art.

Twenty years ago even a young artist would begin composition before he had mastered the rudiments.

Why They Fail

Now and then you will hear a merchant complain that advertising does not pay, and the solicitor who calls on him for business gets a curt refusal.

A Clever Young Teacher

A capital anecdote is told of the late Sultan of Turkey, says the Weekly Telegraph.

Sultan Fooled the Banker

Man Put in Sock to Save His Life

The surgeons of Bellevue hospital, in New York, are watching with great interest the results of a treatment now being tried upon Louis Mecke.

He is being autophagy by what might be called, not improperly, external irrigation.

On the first day he was fed on milk and crackers, and from that time up to the present that diet has not been changed.

The Power of Prayer

Last summer I was in Norway, and one of the party was a lady who was delicate to attempt great mountaineering excursions.

Why Settle in the South?

The question is frequently asked, "Why do men, who are seemingly settled in comfort in the north, become dissatisfied and migrate to the south?"

The schools and churches of the south have been so much improved in the past few years that they afford many advantages with those of the north.