A WONDERFUL CHANGE.

HOW A FASHIONABLE YOUNG WOMAN BECAME INTELLECTUAL.

All Owing to the "Pauper" and the "Politics"—Filling Up With Information Every Few Days—Memorizing Bright Sayings and Funny Stories.

She is the most vehemently fashionable young woman I know. [illegible]

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"That's the old one; whom you called the [illegible]"

[illegible]

"Does he have very many employers?" I asked, beginning to wonder how many of the bright things I had admired only the night before had come from him.

"I don't know about that, because, as you can imagine he keeps everything concerning his business as secret as the grave. But I am awfully afraid he has begun to duplicate his witticisms to his own set. If he does that I suppose I shall have to deed him one of my mines outright to get his services all to myself. Oh, it's a great bore, and it's awfully hard work, too. I don't know whether or not I'll be able to go through the winter with it. But I was determined I wouldn't be looked down on."—Clara Belle in Cincinnati Enquirer.

Engineers and Stokers.

The work in an Atlantic liner is difficult, arduous and unvarying. It demands energy, presence of mind and technical skill of a high order. The bare enumeration of these qualifications is a guarantee that in a British ship no special preference will be given to foreigners. The engineers are mostly Scotch, the stokers Irish. The qualities most required in the stokehole are a dogged resolution to face discomfort and a sturdy frame. The stoker is begrimed with coal dust. He has to endure an atmosphere which sometimes rises to a temperature of 120 degs. In this intense heat he has to shovel every day five tons of coal into the furnaces, and to keep the fires clear and bright by constant raking and by the periodical removal of ashes. Upon none have the burdens of the mechanical development of our age fallen more heavily than upon the men who undertake the duties of stokers in an Atlantic liner. It has often been proposed to feed furnaces mechanically. The method would obviate the necessity of employing men in one of the most distressful forms of manual labor.—Lord Brassey in Nineteenth Century.

A single sheet of paper, seventy-two inches wide and seven and three-quarters miles long, has been made without a break in a paper mill at Watertown, N. Y. The sheet weighed 2,207 pounds.—Chicago Herald.

Jay Gould's Calm Urbanity.

Jay Gould is never in a hurry. When he is on the witness stand he is as easy as an old shoe, sinks into the chair with a benevolent complacency, looks mildly around with an innocent air and—lets the opposition attorney try his hand on him all he wants. Nothing can surpass the calm urbanity of Mr. Gould at such a time, and nobody can surpass his skill in answering questions. He tells everything he knows, yet he tells nothing. Mr. Gould moves around quietly and unostentatiously and no man knows where he will turn up next, whether in St. Louis or in a pew in Dr. Paxton's church.—New York Tribune.

TECUMSEH'S TEETH.

The Part They Played in the First Discovery of Gold in California.

Gen. W. T. Sherman has been prominently identified with [illegible] the world's history [illegible] military career [illegible] up the [illegible] of the United States [illegible] which report [illegible] the subsequent [illegible] of the precious metals [illegible] years revolutionized property values throughout the entire commercial world, and gave an unprecedented impetus to industries, enterprises and general prosperity.

Gold was discovered in California in the spring of 1848, about sixty miles above the present city of Sacramento. Gen. Mason was at that time in command of the United States forces in California, and acted as military governor with headquarters at Monterey, the capital of the territory. Gen. Sherman, then a young lieutenant of the Third artillery, was the adjutant of Gen. Mason's staff. Yerba Buena, now the great city of San Francisco, was then but a little trading port of [illegible] inhabitants. As soon as gold was discovered, Capt. Sutter went down to Monterey with a quantity of samples of the precious metal for the inspection of the military authorities.

Gen. Sherman, in a conversation with some friends at a [illegible] a few evenings since, referred to this important historical event and its progress with results affecting the whole world substantially as follows: "Capt. Sutter brought into Gen. Mason's office several small packages of samples, and spread them out before us. The specimens presented varied in size from fish scales and split peas up to the size of beans. Gen. Mason asked if I knew how to test whether the stuff was gold or not. I said certainly, and immediately tried my teeth on a lump, and made an indentation which indicated to me that it was malleable. I then went out for a hammer and an ax, and pounded several pieces out flat. This was a crude but practical test, but we then applied acids, which verified the fact that the samples were genuine gold.

"I was at once sent up to the diggings and made a thorough examination of the gold discoveries, which were rapidly being found in new localities and in wonderful amounts. I returned to Monterey with a quantity of specimen samples and drew up the official report to the government, which was signed by Gen. Mason. This report, accompanied with a quantity of samples of gold, was forwarded by a special courier of dispatches, who was no other than Henry D. Cooke, recently the first governor of this District of Columbia. He was sent off in a small sailing vessel, with instructions to intercept a British steamer on the southern coast and make rapid transit to Washington, regardless of expense. We had not then been advised of the ratification of the treaty with Mexico, ceding California to the United States, and were necessarily very anxious that the government should possess information of the discovery of gold at the earliest moment."

Thus, less than forty years ago, "Old Tecumseh's" teeth made the first official impress, put the first government stamp of value on to the subsequent thousands of millions of gold delved from the mines of this modern land of Ophir.—Washington Critic.

King of the Soapy Fits Trick.

One of the bitterest pangs for the [illegible] is the thought of the many iniquities that impostors commit in their name. The crudest of these perhaps is the shamming of fits in the public streets. The practice seems to be almost as old as lying itself, yet it admits of regular revival in each generation of impostors. A fellow charged with this offense at Lambeth police court was said to be a very old hand. An officer of the Mendicity society saw him have three fits in succession—each followed, of course, by a collection—and very properly invited him to finish the third in a police station. He uttered deep groans and foamed at the mouth in a manner shocking to behold, until it became manifest that his sign of suffering was due to the simple, but unsavory expedient, of chewing a piece of soap. Nothing is really wasted in a great city, and the bits of soap that are too small for toilet use are, no doubt, eagerly bought up by "the trade" to sham epileptic fits.

The practitioner in question is said to stand at the very head of his calling, and he is known professionally as the "King of the Soapy Fits Trick." In these stormy times the title must seem enviable to many a potentate of wider dominion. The monarch in question has one true note of royalty in a sort of passive persistence in a chosen course. He has elected to live by chewing soap, and he goes on living by it, in spite of years upon years of prison hard labor, and even of one whipping. On his release from jail, apparently, he begs, borrows, or otherwise provides himself with a piece of soap and starts in business again. If society, on the one hand, never wearies of correcting him, the King of the Soap Fits, on the other, never wearies of being corrected. It is, perhaps, more discouraging for society than him. It is strange that no one has thought of soliciting his testimonial to a new soap. His recommendation ought to be supreme authority on the question of lathers.—London News.

How Gen. Sherman Enjoys Life.

There have been floating around a number of paragraphs about the loneliness with which Gen. W. T. Sherman wanders about New York. The fact is that the general is far from lonesome during his residence here. He has an office in the government building, where he walks every morning from the Fifth Avenue hotel by way of exercise, and where he receives all his mail and reads the papers, receives old companions, smokes his morning cigar and enjoys himself as thoroughly as if he were still in active service and directing the affairs of a skeletonized army. When he goes up town in the afternoon he finds himself besieged with callers. No man in New York is in greater demand for dinners than he.

The general is evidently enjoying himself. I saw him the other night going out with his old comrade, Gen. H. W. Slocum. They are nearly of the same height and have the same soldierly bearing. Gen. Slocum's hair is snow white, while Sherman's still retains a fair share of color. They were laughing and chatting like schoolboys. Gen. Grant's family, especially the "boys," as Gen. Sherman calls them, are particular in their attentions to Gen. Sherman, for whom they have great respect and regard on account of his kindness to their father in his last days. They are frequent callers on him.—New York Tribune.

Chinamen in the Cars.

A Boston street car conductor says that of all the passengers he carries Chinamen give him the least trouble. "They get the car quick," says he, "keep their mouths shut, never raise a row, know what the fare is, and have the change to a cent when I ask for it."—New York Sun.

A Sure Remedy.

Mistress—Good gracious! Why, Babetta, what have you been doing with this chair? Servant Maid—You see, ma'am, the cat kept going on it and tearing the plush, so I spread some mustard on the seat, and now she lets it a-be.

A Better Personification.

Faith is sometimes represented by the figures of a drenched female clinging to a sea washed rock, but a better personification would be a baldheaded man buying a bottle of patent hair restorer.—Shoe and Leather Reporter.

Look After Your Home Manure.

[American Farmer.]

We think there is no employment which requires a more careful and constant looking after all the little details and every-day economies than that of the farmer. And this is the reason, doubtless, in most instances, why so many farmers are complaining of hard times, of failing crops and low prices, and are casting about to find some other field of effort where they may reap richer rewards with less labor, and find happy exemption from the many vexations and uncertainties of which they are complaining.

Just now we have to talk only of that economy which relates to the home sources of manurial agents, their careful husbanding and judicious application to the soil for the production of future crops. We know of farmers who have got into the irrational way of thinking that whatever is to help them out in getting the largest yields from their furrows must be brought from afar. They have become infatuated with the idea that there must be something almost magical in the contents of the piles of sacks they see standing in the warehouses, all nicely lettered and guaranteed as to value and wonderful effects by the manufacturers.

They overlook the many sources of manurial supplies all about their stables, in their barn-yards, hog-styes and poultry houses, and invest in tons of the manufacturers' compounds for which they pay good round prices in hard cash earnings, or far oftener, in promissory notes, on which, as is natural, they pay heavy interest. It is not our purpose to depreciate the usefulness of fertilizer manufacturers, among whom are many entirely responsible persons who offer for sale good and reliable articles, and who thereby vastly benefit our agricultural communities by furnishing them with helps supplementary to their home resources.

The manures made on the farm from the live stock of every kind contain all the principals necessary for the ample promotion of vegetable growth, and no chemist or manipulator has ever devised a formula for the making of a fertilizer to take their place and do their work so well in restoring to the soil the various constituents removed from it by the corn wheat oats, potatoes and other crops. Then, why neglect them?

When you are paying $25 per ton for corn meal, $20 for cotton seed meal, $20 for wheat bran and $15 for clover hay, and are feeding many tons of these materials during the Winter season, just stop a while to consider how valuable is the tribute you are every day adding to your barn-yard resources. The substances you are feeding to get milk, butter or fat, are rich in nitrogen, phosphoric acid and potash. The manurial value of the corn meal is about $4.50, that of the cotton seed meal about $20, that of the wheat bran about $10, and that of the clover hay about $7. These figures express no guess-work estimates, but the certain results of chemical analysis; and they ought to be sufficient of themselves to insure the continued unremitting care of the man who is footing the heavy bills and experimenting to find out whether or not his business is a paying one, that none of these resources shall go to waste, but that they shall be husbanded as sources of great value and judiciously applied in the coming season for the reproduction of new supplies of life sustenance and consequently, new sources of fertilization. These vital, reproductive principles are so much hard cash secure in your possession. Keep due ward and watch over them. Let not the rain floods squander them, nor the fermenting heat dissipate them. The hungry lands are waiting for them. Haul out from the stables as fast as made. Top dress the clover ground. Spread over the rye you are to cut for your stock in April and May. Put plenty of it in heaps, and with it mix the rich deposits of the hog-styes, the sheep-pens, the poultry-houses and the good scrapings from every nook and corner. Bring cart loads of leaf mould, if handy, muck from the swamp, and drift from the creek and river shores, and don't fail to add to the valuable mass a few hundred pounds of bone meal, a few bags of kainit and a few bushels of plaster and salt.

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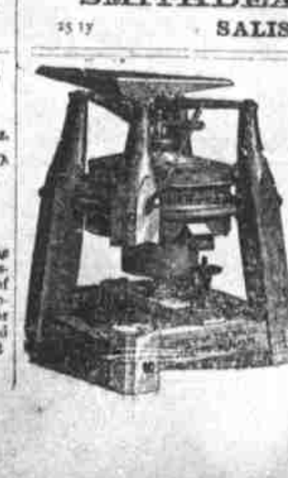

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