

Japanese Government has been ordered to pay 18,000 watches, not more than \$2.50 each. They are distributed among the officers...

Alfred Austin, England's laureate, is paying the price of greatness. His mail is enormous, and the autograph fiend is after him in force.

Benjamin D. Silliman, of Brooklyn, is the oldest living Yale graduate by the death of Charles L. Powell, Alexandria, Va.

There seems to be little doubt that B. Robinson, of South Africa, is the richest man in the world. His fortune is estimated at \$350,000,000.

Electricity is likely to be an important factor in the agriculture of the future, according to the Italian Professor A. Alo, who has collected evidence...

A California Lion. "Got to stir him up!" remarked the hunter, and the contents of the heavy shot went plunging into the darkness.

Turning quickly toward a rock projecting some fifteen feet upward, the lion crouched and sprang; but just as his feet left the rock the mountaineer's Winchester rang out and the desperately wounded beast struck short of the ledge and rolled back screaming and tearing at everything within reach.

The Silk Thread Market. New York is the acknowledged headquarters for silk thread, which is dealt in by experts in large quantities.

A Philadelphia Horse Trade. The proprietor of an uptown hotel, which is patronized largely by the agricultural classes, has a vacant stall in his stable, and thereby hangs a tale.

unexpected but by no means unexpected result of Dr. Jameson's annual raid has been to cast serious doubt upon the value of machine guns in civilized warfare.

of the South during the last year. We learn from it that, in the year, the southern movement of population was of unprecedented magnitude; that cotton-mill building in the South was "phenomenal"; that there was a remarkable revival in the iron business; that the output of coal was heavier than in any previous year; that several Southern shipyards made large contracts; and that, in short, the year was one of marvelous success in all branches of industry.

Speaking of the quaint city of Kingston, Canada, a correspondent of the Chicago Evening Journal says: "It would not be easy to find a family in Canada within 100 miles of Kingston in which there belong a half a dozen children, where one or more of the children were not living in the United States. A great portion of those who have left the country are farmers' sons, and they are found filling situations all over the State of New York. But more significant than all this is the record of the graduating classes of the Royal Military College, the West Point of Canada, picturesquely located at the foot of the slope between old Fort Henry and the river. The college was opened in 1876. The course of study is four years, the same as at West Point, the chief instructors are regular officers detailed from the British army, and the curriculum is of the most exacting order. It is a school that Canada is justly proud of, but of its annual graduating class only the four highest are eligible for commissions in the regular army. Over 50 per cent. of all of the graduates are filling positions in the United States, chiefly as civil and mechanical engineers."

"Got to stir him up!" remarked the hunter, and the contents of the heavy shot went plunging into the darkness. With a wild scream the maddened lion sprang from the cavern and stood for a moment in the dim lantern light enveloped in the sulphurous smoke.

Tip fled warily behind a bush; but Blucher with blundering zeal charged like a load of hay, followed by a fool tenderfoot who wanted to kill the lion with an axe. A fierce snarl—a thump—and old Blucher came end over end through the air, striking the unlucky tenderfoot amidships when the whole aggregation rolled into a manzanita bush twenty feet below.

"Look out! He's going to spring again!" yelled Charlie. As I sat far down the hill and dug the dust out of my eyes, I saw the long yellow body again rise into the air as it launched itself at the intrepid hunter. Billy made a splendid shot, for while the lion was in the air a bullet from the heavy 45 broke its neck.—Outing.

The recent developments in this business have pointed out emphatically the fact that the quality of silk thread has improved wonderfully in the past few years, and has kept pace with the growth of the entire silk business. Dealers in silk thread have had a most prosperous trade of recent years, and they attribute their prosperity to the superior advantages offered by New York for the conduct of their business.—New York Mail and Express.

The proprietor of an uptown hotel, which is patronized largely by the agricultural classes, has a vacant stall in his stable, and thereby hangs a tale. The boniface was very anxious to sell a horse to a friend from the country, but the latter had some doubt as to the animal's speed. The two agreed upon a certain day for a drive in the park, and in the meantime the hotel man had not been idle. They were bowling along at a pace which was scarcely calculated to create any great excitement when a park guard, who had previously been "fixed," arrested the owner of the horse for driving faster than the allowed three-minute gait. He willingly paid his fine of \$5, and his companion was immediately purchased the horse.—Philadelphia Record.

A WOMAN'S DESPAIR

COULD SEE NOTHING AHEAD BUT A LIFE OF PAIN. She Tells a Reporter How She Suffered—How She Was Cured—And How Her Life Has Been Changed by the Sunshine of It.

(From the Druggist, Utica, N. Y.) Mrs. E. McLaughlin, who resides at 83 Miller street, Utica, N. Y., but formerly lived at 110 1/2 near avenue, in the same city, is a lady nearly seventy years old. She was born in Marcy, Oneida County, N. Y., and has resided in Oneida County a her life and is well-known there. It was reported in Utica that Mrs. McLaughlin had been wonderfully cured of a severe attack of rheumatism, as well as indigestion, by the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. A reporter of Druggist was sent to interview her on the subject.

Mrs. McLaughlin said she had been afflicted with rheumatism for about twenty years, and was at times unable to rise from her chair. Her suffering was intense, and she was sometimes driven nearly wild with the agonizing pain. Of late she had also been troubled with indigestion and her health had become greatly undermined. She was almost discouraged, being unable to get relief either from the doctors or through the numerous remedies which she tried.

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RIPANS TABULES

A reporter called, on Wednesday evening, May 8, 1896, at the residence of Mr. William McMahon, No. 1688 Pearl street, Brooklyn village (Cleveland), O., to learn, if possible, the cause of the noticeable improvement in his physical condition over that of a year ago, when he was a sufferer from indigestion and various organic disorders. "You see," began Mr. McMahon, "to start with, my work—that of setting type at the case—allows me little chance for bodily exercise, and is altogether too confining for anybody who is in the least subject to indigestion or dyspepsia. Perhaps not more so than many another mechanic or artisan who is constantly indoors and under severe mental strain, while the physical development is sadly in need of something to keep it in trim. Well, that has been my complaint for years, and some months ago I became very bilious, and constipation made life miserable for me at times. Then it took a seat in my LIVER, which became noticeably inactive, and I became alarmed about it. The first thing I turned my attention to was to secure a 'liver regulator,' which, however, failed to regulate; next I sought relief in 'liver pills,' which so pained and griped me that the cure was, I thought, worse than the disease. The next thing I did was to throw away the whole 'shooting match,' and resolve to take no more proprietary medicines. However, on hearing my tale of woe, one day, at the office, a fellow-workman offered me a small Tabule-Ripans, he called it—which, he said, he would guarantee to act on the liver. I took it under protest, expecting to be doubled up in about fifteen minutes with the 'gripes.' But I was agreeably surprised in its action. It was very gentle, and I resolved to try a box. Since then I have gradually noted an entire change in the working of my system, and think that Ripans Tabules are the best remedy for liver and stomach troubles this side of any where. They are really a substitute for physical exercise. Have one before you go?" And Mr. McMahon produced his box of "stand-by" from his inside pocket as the reporter took his leave.

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