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**An Egg Within an Egg.**  
Wilkinson, who owns a little out on Francisco street, is the owner of a freak duck. It is just an ordinary appearing white quacking duck with a duck within a duck, nor is it usually allotted to birds of the feather. Notwithstanding these however, the freak fowl frequently lays an egg within an egg. As the circumference of the outside is about nine inches, and that of the inside four inches. The outside egg is covered with the inside egg, with the yolk of the yolk is slightly from the coming in contact with the shell which surrounds it. The duck is in the habit of defying the laws of nature by doing two days' work in one day and resting the next. The two eggs referred to form within the other, and the result is a downy monstrosity lays a double egg ranging all the way from eight to ten inches in circumference.

Wilkinson is quite proud of his freak duck and it is safe to say that he has taken several times the value of the bird in order to purchase it from San Francisco Call.

**Hot Water as a Sedative.**  
A man who thought himself happy if he got twenty minutes' sleep in four hours, said: "I took hot water, comfortably hot, one hour before each of my meals, and the last thing at night, and I was turned round and slept again in three hours. I have faithfully and continuously used the hot water, and never had one bad night since."

prejudice against local goods to the New York Times to be throughout the world. American-made goods are superior to anything that is turned out by American tailors. Women seldom consider dress well dressed unless they wear an important frock. Even the example set by the Queen of Wales in selecting for her daughter, Princess Louise, made in Bradford, has not been generally followed by Englishwomen. One of the most prominent returns in Bradford had long been to have his wife have a wardrobe of his own goods, but not long afterward, however, he was fresh from the hands of a dressmaker, handsomely in a fabric designed and made in Bradford, which was on sale in London the latest French novelty.

### MY SICK SISTERS.

to tell you what Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has done for me. For twenty years I had with loss of appetite, nausea, indigestion, palpitation of the heart, headache, and all parts of my body. My physician was only able to say that I was not well, but his medicine did not help me. I have taken your Compound, and now those troubles are all gone. I can praise it enough, and our family medicine is doing a good work among his customers." Mrs. Thompson, New Bedford.

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**NOTES AND COMMENTS**  
In the 22,000 electoral college of Mexico the vote of last month for the re-election of Porfirio Diaz to the Presidency was unanimous. Never in any previous Presidential election in Mexico, or, perhaps, in any other republic, was there a result so remarkable.

A special commission has declared impracticable the construction of a ship canal between the Atlantic ocean and the Mediterranean across the territory of France. The scheme was originally suggested as a means of evading Gibraltar for the transit of war vessels to and from the Bay of Biscay and Toulon.

Among the various quiet but useful works which Gerald Balfour is carrying out for the benefit of Ireland, the encouragement of horse breeding occupies by no means the least place. It is understood that the government is contemplating the issue of a royal commission to inquire into the whole subject and that the chairman will probably be the Earl of Dunraven.

Pennsylvania papers tell of a man who is swindling farmers by means of a double-end fountain pen, one end of which he uses in drawing up contracts for harvesting machinery, and the other he presents for the farmers to use in putting their signatures to the documents. The ink of the contract fades, and a promissory note is written in over the signature.

A New York Surrogate has decided that George Gould earned the \$5,000,000 left him by his late father Jay Gould. The State Controller tried to show that the money was subject to the collateral inheritance tax as a gift, but the Surrogate says that the younger Gould earned it by his services to his father for twelve years before Jay Gould died. This is at the rate of about \$417,000 a year.

According to the records for 1890 the amount of sugar cane produced by the leading countries of the world was: Cuba, 530,000 tons; Java, 320,000 tons; Jamaica, 210,000 tons; India, 220,000 tons; Brazil, 230,000 tons; Manila, 180,000 tons; Mauritius, 120,000 tons; Guiana, 120,000 tons; China, 100,000 tons; Guadeloupe, 100,000 tons; United States, 100,000 tons; Porto Rico, 80,000 tons, and Honolulu, 60,000 tons.

The London correspondent of the Manchester Courier publishes a remarkable account of a new illuminant, which, if all that is said of it is true, will push both gas and electric light very hard. For its production no machinery is required save that contained in a portable lamp neither larger nor heavier than is used with colza oil or paraffin. This lamp, it is declared, generates its own gas. The substance employed is at present a secret, jealously guarded by some inventive Italians. The cost is declared to be at most one-fifth of that of ordinary gas, and the resultant light is nearly as bright as the electric light and much whiter. The apparatus can be carried about as easily as a candlestick and seems both clean and odorless.

While there is some uncertainty as to the number of warships which Japan may contract for in this country, it is denied that these will be of the Charleston cruiser class, says a Washington correspondent. The Japanese government already has several vessels of this type, the Charleston, in fact, being a duplicate of the Japanese cruiser Nani Ka Wan, which was constructed about a year before its American prototype. It would appear from reports which reach here from Tokyo that Japan, like the United States, does not find these vessels as satisfactory for all-round service as those of the gunboat class, which are equally well adapted for carrying the flag and for the performance of police duty. But neither would be especially effective in time of war. It is likely, therefore, that the new vessels of the Japanese navy will be more distinctively of the armored cruiser and battleship type.

Hon. at Washington City. When Seward was thrown from his carriage and so badly injured that he required the services of a professional nurse, Robinson was assigned to look after him. On the night when Booth shot the President and Payne made an attack upon Seward, Robinson was in the secretary's room. The assassin, on entering, was seized by Robinson, but he succeeded in attacking and wound-

ing Mr. Seward might have been killed. A gold medal was given to Robinson by Congress for his services, and when Hayes came to the White House he was made a major and paymaster in the Army.

It is noteworthy that, though in each of the American crematories more men than women have been cremated, the movement abroad was practically begun by women, Lady Dilke, of England, and a German woman having been cremated at Dresden. When efforts were made in the years 1873-74 on the Continent of Europe, in England and in the United States, in favor of the cremation of the dead, Lady Rose Mary Crawshaw was one of its prominent advocates. A number of well-known women in this country have expressed themselves decidedly in favor of cremation. Among them are Olive Thorne Miller, Mrs. Lippincott, Mrs. J. C. Croly, Mrs. Ella Wheeler Wilcox, Mrs. Alice D. Le Plongeon, the late Kate Field, Rose Elizabeth Cleveland and Edith Thomas. At a public meeting Mrs. Ballington Booth referred to the time when her body should be carried to the crematory. The total number of cremations in the United States from 1876, when the first crematory was established, to the close of 1895, was reported to be 4,647. Nearly 1,000 persons were cremated in the last year in twenty-one crematories. In the crematory at Fresh Pond, N. Y., eighty-five boys and sixty-six girls were incinerated. The number of men cremated in New York is more than double the number of women.

A political campaign has a multitude of side effects, besides important civic consequences. Yet few probably think of the influence of a campaign upon literature. Every political contest creates or particularly applies various expressions which thereafter are practically ruined for sober use. Adverting to this point, the Bookman calls attention to the astonishing part played in every campaign by political "gags" which stand to nine votes out of ten in the place of any final and definite opinions upon great questions of national policy. Sometimes these terse expressions embody in a compact form a distinct principle, but often they are mere senseless flings at a candidate which prove nothing but the vacuity of the minds that utter them. In every campaign "some phrase or adjective or epithet is worked to death by campaign orators and afterward by the newspapers. It is, in the first place, generally uttered in a serious way, because it is supposed to be pathetic or striking or especially vivid; but after it has been used by ten thousand stump speakers and twenty thousand editors, it is reduced to the level of a ludicrous bit of political slang." The Bookman contends that this sort of thing has its serious side, for indiscriminate use of these current political phrases results in the vulgarizing of "some of the finest and most expressive words in the language, thanks to the poverty of the reporter's vocabulary." There are words that must be allowed to lie fallow for perhaps years after a Presidential election, because of the over-telling, which they received in the course of the campaign. What all the people have once laughed at can not for a long time be profitably used again in a serious relation.

### Killing the Trees.

In France great care is taken in locating the wires that carry high-tension electric currents, whether used for light or for power, but in America the thing is done more simply, says Cosmos. No one bothers himself about what is to be found at the side of the wire and it passes among the branches of trees and across thickets unconscious of the damage that it may do. Now, in many towns it has been remarked that the trees crossed by the current dwindle and die. It has also been observed that the death of these trees invariably follows the rainy season; the leaves, being soaked with moisture become good conductors and lead the current down into the tree from the wire. The wires to be sure, have been insulated, but the protective layer has been quickly destroyed by the friction of the branches and the line becomes bare, producing thus results that it would have been well to avoid. And the electricity is the only thing that can be accused of this. It suffices to convince one's self to compare the conditions of the trees traversed by the wires with that of neighboring trees. It has often been noticed that in a storm all the trees through which wires pass die in a few hours, while the surrounding ones are not touched. This is a very serious source of complaint and causes some lawsuits.

### To Replace Missing Legs.

Persons who have their legs cut off in railway accidents in future will at least have the satisfaction of understanding that few beyond their immediate friends will ever know it, for an inventor has just produced an artificial leg which is as near a human member as can be devised.

This crowning achievement in the leg line is a production of a Massachusetts man and is such a demand by the wig-makers of Paris and London that contracts for the entire supply for the next five years are recorded.

This artificial leg is a curious contrivance of hinges, screws, and elastic bands. Extending downward from about what in the human leg is the ankle, to a joint midway between the heel and the instep, are two steel rods. One is placed in front of the other. One rests on a sort of roller hinge and allows the foot to give or bend with each step. The other serves the purpose of bringing the foot back into place after the step is taken.

Any lateral movement of these rods is prevented by the sides of the slot through which they move. A screw and nut at the top of the rod also prevents the leg from turning, and thus giving trouble in walking. An artificial heel tendon is also placed within the foot, back of the ankle joint, and extends loosely through a hole in the leg, where it connects with a nut at about midway up the leg.

### A Pumice Stone Barrier.

A floating barrier of pumice stone, nineteen miles long, over a thousand yards wide and fifteen feet deep, closing a seaport to all vessels as effectually as a boom could do, is not at all the sort of thing one is likely to forget. And yet that was one of the results of the Krakatoa eruption, the port being Telok Retoung in Sunda straits. Formed in a few hours, it would almost seem to be the supreme effort of nature in the pumice-making line, were it not that such immense quantities are found at the bottom of the sea. A queer place for pumice stone; but pumice when produced is really heavy; it is only the air cavities in it that makes it light, and as it floats it becomes water-logged, and down it goes. Most of the pumice we use in Europe comes from the Lipart Islands, north of Sicily, "the home of Vulcan," whence Vulcano as the name of one of them, and our "volcano" as descriptive of the natural feature of which it is the type. Here are the pumice quarries—at Monte Chirica and its craters Monte Pelata and Forgia Vecchia—where over a thousand men are at work in the narrow tunnels and galleries, lighted by clay lamps of antique form. The whole hillside is perforated with groups of these tunnels, which number between 200 and 300, and are so narrow that the men can hardly pass each other in them. And just as coal is found in beds alternated with sandstone and shale, so the pumice is in layers between harder lavas and ashes.—Leisure Hour.

Water moccasins were formerly numerous in the region close to Taylor, La. In recent years they have become scarce while minks have increased in numbers. Old hunters there say that the mink is the deadly enemy of the snake, and that in fight the quadruped always comes off victorious.

### One-twelfth of the population of

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