

Naboth's Vineyard.

My neighbor hath a little field, And truly but a slender board...

HEIRESS OF THE SALT MARSHES

Only after he had spilled a handful of good wheat over the bare plank floor did I understand what the old man had in mind when he would run the grains through his flats...

to say that when the mine had cleared up a hundred times as many sacks as his age, then he would die and I should be heiress of the marshes.

Yes, my love had made his plan—a plan without a plan. And that I know is for love's own sake.

My benefactor became a watcher as well as I. Often after a day's work we have climbed up into the signal tower...

For how many years I cannot tell, I sifted the waste of the grain cars that came down the wind rushing in...

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As we sat together by the peat fire in the shanty and waited the long winter evenings for word of a new siding of cars I would ask the old man many silly questions, but always when he did not wish to speak his mind he was listening to the wind rushing in...

Afterward the track walker would knock to tell us the cars were due to come down by daylight.

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ORCHID HAS BABY'S PICTURE.

Almost Perfect Likeness of Infant on Center Leaf.

It has been noticed frequently that plants, and especially orchids, bear curious resemblances to animals. This "baby orchid" is in a New Rochelle greenhouse.



The "baby orchid," obviously, gets its name from the fact that on the curves of the center leaf, or petal, is the almost perfect likeness of a baby, partly molded, and in a measure

made by the coloring on the petal, which has a light yellow ground, with spots and lines of a rich brown.

French Doctor Says It Will Produce Elongated Brain.

A debate recently took place in Paris between a brain specialist and an eminent physician as to the effect of high speed auto racing had upon the brain.

The brain specialist predicted that motor maniacs will be represented in the insane asylums in the near future.

It remains to be proved how fast the brain is capable of traveling; if it cannot acquire an eighty-mile speed per hour, then an auto running at the rate of eight miles per hour is speeding without the guidance of the brain, and the many disastrous results are not to be marveled at.

For even at their best speed not more than 20 per cent of them meet with accidents, and a large percentage of these are due to defective machinery.

EGGS GET IN DEADLY WORK.

Many Hens Killed by Violent Explosions of their Frozen Progeny.

A most remarkable hen story, vouched for by veracious and respectable people, comes from New Kent county, Virginia.

A Rat Show.

A successful rat show was recently held at Cheltenham, England.

Apple Scoop.

John Bunyan is reported the owner of this. The author of "Pilgrim's Progress" used it for removing cores for apples.

Eastern Man Fond of Eggs.

At Taunton, Mass., a man ate ten hard-boiled eggs and topped the feast off with a raw one, all in less than ten minutes, to win a wager.

Argument Disproved.

That is a pretty story that Edward Everett Hale tells in a recent magazine article on Beethoven, and it illustrates the attitude of the modern woman's catholicity.

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Kept Peace With Indians

John Mitchell, ex-sergeant of the army, scout and Indian fighter of the early days of Custer, Wade and Miles, takes a good deal of pleasure in the army over at the University of California.

"It was in '67," said he, "when I was still an enlisted man and was with my regiment out in Wyoming, where the Sioux were keeping every body on the jump.

"We had been riding hard all day without anything to eat for we were only fifteen, you know, and in that case a man don't stop to take anything like a course dinner on the plains.

Mocha Coffee Is Scarce

I don't believe there is a pound of genuine Mocha coffee on this continent," C. T. Hilliglass, a coffee merchant, informs me.

The true Mocha is the finest coffee grown; it has a delicious flavor that makes it as superior to the very best of other brands as silk is superior to cotton.

are eagerly taken by the governors and sheiks in the vicinity and they have to get their orders in advance, so that they may be sure of their annual supply.

London Bulletin.

Lewis C. Bennett of Saco, Maine, has a London bullseye watch, which is nearly 200 years old.

The watch was owned by Isiah Bennett, grandfather of Mr. Bennett. The watch was made by Thomas Spruce of London.

Gun to Have Immense Range.

A gun which will throw a projectile fifty-nine miles, or to be accurate, 59,170 miles, is one of the immediate possibilities in ordnance, owing to a system of construction devised and now in use at Reading by J. Hamilton Brown.

Submarine Hazards.

The death of eleven men in the British submarine boat A 1 as a result of a collision with a merchant steamer is the first fatality that has followed an accident to a modern submarine of this kind when ready for service with hatches battened down.

Queer Foods.

Human nature may be the same the world over, but tastes in matters of cuisine vary a good deal.

Get Wise Sayings Mixed

Just as the popular so-called quotations from the Bible and Shakespeare are commonly misquoted, so it will be found the wise sayings of statesmen have not always been preserved in their original integrity.

Two Western newspapers have as their motto "Error ceases to be dangerous when truth is left free to combat it." This is a mutilation of President Jefferson's celebrated saying in his inaugural address that "Error of opinion may be tolerated where reason is left free to combat it."

A Tribute to Peggy

Peggy gets up with a laugh and a song— (Ha! ha! ha!) List to her laughter!

Horse's Remarkable Mane.

George O. Zilligitt of Inglewood, Eng., has a 10-year-old carriage mare with a mane of silvery hair 18 feet long, which is usually kept braided and in a net.

FAT MAN, FAT FARE

System That Puts Large and Small on an Equality.

It takes Western people to look out for themselves and give every man a fair show, even in rapid transit, says the New York Times.

It is worthy of note that all the great historical religions of the world—whether of the millions of Egypt toiling under the lash to build the pyramids at the wages of a couple of onions and a piece of dry bread a day...

upon bloated bondholders and their monopolies, for he knows that the bulky individual is paying at least twice the amount of his own fare.

Labor as Joy or Curse.

All turns on whether it is encountered with freshness, spontaneity and zest, or whether it is the drudgery of the dreary springs of life.

Boomerang of Greed.

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Vast Irrigation Scheme.

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RUSSIA, LAND OF GRAFTERS.

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WISDOM OF MODERATION.

Instead of contemplating new avenues for extravagant display of force or wealth, let the country consider the wisdom of moderation.

French Housekeeping.

A French cook turns any and everything that is unsalvaged in the kitchen into a result of care and skill rather than rare or costly ingredients.

Health Fads on the Brain.

To get all sorts of health fads on the brain is a disease in itself. It is a vulgar disease, too.

The Thrift Patron.

"I'd like to exchange this book," said the man who had made the purchase two days before.

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