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Resp'y, JOSEPH RASIN.

Aug. 4, 1892.
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CATLIN, Q. A. CO., MD., June 17, 1892.
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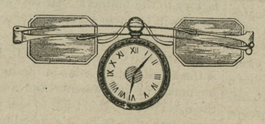

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"SUNSET."

BY MAMIE K. STRONG.

Did you ever watch a "sunset"
Of an eve in summer time?
How the many moving shadows
Make the scene one quite sublime?
How the sun casts forth his rays:
Now dark, now bright o'er hill and vale,
How with one last dazzling smile,
Half lingering from our sight will sail.

'Tis a sight of wonderous beauty;
Inspiring one with thoughts divine,
Thoughts of pure and holy things
That ever round the heart must twine.
Casting o'er the mind reflections
That indeed must enter in,
Causing glad forgetfulness
Of earth's frivolities and sin.

Sit you down a summer evening
In some quiet secluded spot,
Drive away all idle thoughts,
Have all but noble ones forgot.
Then note the sun fast from us gliding
As he his downward course pursues.
While the skies all pink and purple
With many varying tints profuse.

Then are not your thoghts ennobling?
Are they fraught with worldly things?
Are they not supreme, entrancing?
Each round the soul in softness clings.
'Tis then you feel yourself apart
From worldly things, and all forget.
O, 'tis a joy, one all absorbing,
To watch a summer's "golden sunset."

BIG DAY IN BALTIMORE!

Two Hundred Persons from Kent Attend. —Views from the Giles, etc.

The Emma Giles of the Tolchester Company left her wharf at Tolchester last Saturday morning at 8.10 o'clock with over 200 Kent countians aboard having Baltimore as their distination. The noon time was taken up with watching the parade of veterans of the Federal Navy, who, during the late national disturbance, were maritime heroes of the victorious North, paraded the streets of Baltimore in company with the Maryland militia and the officers and crews of the handsome United States warships in Baltimore harbor. The parade was not only the brilliant success which had been so long expected by the subscribers and the citizens of Baltimore generally, but under the command of Brig. Gen. Stewart Brown it was a perfect pageant which will not soon be forgotten by the thousands who witnessed it.

The bombardment of Fort McHenry was to take place at 4 P. M., but as early as 2.30 some of the boats were loaded. Light street presented a scene of bustle such as no ordinary summer excursion could excite. It was hard to distinguish people from horses and wagons, so great was the jam. At nearly all the piers jutting into the water from the street steamers were getting aboard their human freight preparatory to taking in the bombardment of the crumbling old fortress that any one of the three vessels which attacked it could easily have conquered it in a few minutes. The Emma Giles had 1234 passengers aboard and at least 1000 more were turned away. The scene around the fort in the beautiful harbor was quite as animated as that on Light street, and, being beyond smelling distance of the Basin, could be viewed with more pleasure and less distraction from outraged olfactories. The shapely cruiser Philadelphia was passed by the excursion steamers highest up the harbor. She lay immediately opposite the fort, not far from the Lazaretto Light, her broadside presented to the fortress. The torpedo boat Vesuvius lay southeast of the fort and the Dolphin almost due south of it. The afternoon was simply perfect in point of weather.

The steamers Lonise, B. S. Ford, Cambridge, Tred Avon, Chester and Joppa went puffing by, their decks crowded with people. The steamer William O. Snow, Taunton, Mass., soon hove in sight, her decks and rigging of her three masts packed with spectators. The black light-house tender also had many persons on board, as did the ocean steamers Ryoyugen and Handet.

Steam tugs and trim little launches were there in large numbers. Pretty steam and sailing yachts, with their graceful, comely, lines neatly-kept decks and gorgeous panoplies of bunting flung to the gentle breeze floated by.

It was not until 4.16 o'clock the Vesuvius opened fire on the fort with a single shot. Then a flash and a report came from the Dolphin. The fort answered with a single gun, the Philadelphia chipped in, and the firing became general and incessant.

The reports of the guns were not as deafening as many imagined they would be. The detonations partook rather of the character of distant thunder. They agitated the calm, still air and jarred all the vessels around, but not unpleasantly, and but little more than perceptibly.

Of a sudden the air was filled with the deafening shrieks of hundreds of steam whistles. To hear one's self speak was absolutely impossible. Every vessel lying anywhere near the fort that had a whistle let it go for all it was worth and the result was something startling, distancing two to one in agonizing noise the reports previoously made by the cannon.

When the din had ceased the gallant cruiser Philadelphia, which had by this time weighed anchor thought it about time to show her prowess as a whistler. Accordingly she opened up her syren voice and convinced all within hearing that she could whistle as well as shoot—if not more so.

The Baltimore Storage and Lighterage Company's tug then proceeded to do the great clown act. Determined to out do the Philadelphia, her engineer, who is certainly an artist in the whistling line, pulled the string and made everyone roar with laughter by playing a succession of shrill harmonics on his one-valve calliope—probably the only instrument on which he is a proficient preformer. He came very near playing a sure-enough tune on it, greatly to the amusement of his large and appreciative audience.

The last acting in the pretty little bloodless tragedy was the departure of the three United States vessels for Hampton Roads. During the firing one of the guns on board the Philadelphia bursted and four men were seriously injured.

The Psalm of Trade.

AFTER LONGFELLOW.

"Tell me not in mournful numbers,"
Advertising doesn't pay;
For the man's *non compos mentis*
Who would such absurd things say.

"Life is real! Life is earnest!"
And the man who hopes to rise,
To succeed in any calling,
Must expect to advertise.

"In the world's broad field of battle,
In the conflict of real life,"
Advertising is the secret
Of Achievment in the strife.

"Lives of rich men all remind us,"
We can make our lives sublime;
And by liberal advertising
To the highest summit climb.

"Let us, then, be up and doing,"
And in our trade paper ads insert;
"Still achieving, still pursuing,
Business then will be first-rate."

A Medical Lady on a Tricycle.

In Birmingham a lady doctor of celerity is in the habit of going on her round of visits on a tricycle. Her dress is peculiarly neat and pleasing—a dark, striped costume of woolen stuff; a small, dark hat and fur coat, equally suitable for the sick-room or the saddle. She skims along the crowded streets and the dense traffic, with the courage, quickness and lightness of touch, so useful to a doctor, showing to great advantage, and having daily practice on her steel steed, as well as at her patients' bedsides. Such a practice must give the relief and exercise necessary to a brain overstrained with work.

IT is claimed that the boundary line between Idaho and Washington is thirty miles out of the way, and a resurvey would probably place Spokane in Idaho, increasing the population of that State 75,000.

Peary's Exploration of Greenland.

The Peary expedition to Greenland is in several respects the most interesting and successful of the many attempts to reach the high latitudes of the Arctic. There will in all probability be many to follow in the same line of exploration. The expedition was a private enterprise, not entered upon for the purpose of money-making, but solely in the interest of scientific discovery. The cost of the expedition did not much exceed one-tenth of the cost of Arctic expeditions which have been fitted out by the American and British governments. Lieutenant Peary and the unfortunate Verhoeff contributed largely from their own means, and assistance was granted by the Academy of Natural Sciences of Philadelphia and the American Geographical Society. The fact that Lieutenant Peary's wife accompanied him and spent a comfortable and happy winter, many hundred miles further north than any white woman has heretofore ventured, adds great interest to the expedition. Mrs. Peary's departure was witnessed with grave disapproval and serious forebodings, all of which happily were without just cause, as the event shows.

In 1886 Lieutenant Peary made a sledge journey of a hundred miles toward the interior of Greenland became convinced that the easiest way to reach the northern or northeastern extremity of the island was by sleds upon the ice cap of the interier. The weight of opinion among Arctic travlers was against him, but he persisted in his theory, and in the expedition from which he has just returned demonstrated the correctness of it. Attempts at sledding in previous expeditions have been among hummocks and along the rugged and deeply indented coast. In many of these sled journeys which have been described, a mile or two a day, accomplished with exhausting labor, has been about the average rate of progress. Lieutenant Peary, on the other hand, made his journey of thirteen hundred miles to the northeast cost and return at an average speed of some twenty-three miles per day. Thirty miles was his ordinary daily journey for the greater portion of the way, but, having obtained an elevation of over 8,000 feet amidst the clouds, he became involved in soft snow, and was greatly delayed in this portion of his journey.

The amount of animal life encountered in the bleak and inhospitable land in which the Peary party spent the winter is surprising. Musk, oxen and deer were abundant, and birds at places fairly swarmed. Other animals besides the sea mammals were encountered, and the party had no lack of fresh animal food, so necessary to sustain life amidst the Arctic cold. Intercourse with the Esquimo tribe inhabiting the "Arctic Highlands" afforded great relief from the monotony of the cold and darkness of the long Arctic night. These simple and friendly people were studied with great interest by Mrs. Peary, who in her turn was regarded with curiosity and wonder by the natives, being the only white woman they had ever seen.

During the winter and upon their sled journeys the party made a valuable collection of specimens illustrating the natural history of North Greenland. This collection will come with the party in the Kite to Philadelphia next week.

Mr. Peary did not reach by eighty-two nautical miles as high a latitude as Lockwood and Brainard, of the Greely party, who in 1882 carried the American flag to narth latitude 83 degrees 24 minutes, the nearest approach ever made to the north pole. But he reached an unexplored country upon the east cost far to the north of any other exploration upon that side of Greenland, and his report will enable geographers to draw with approximate accuracy almost the entire coast line of that great island.

The Peary party consisted of nine persons, including Mr. and Mrs. Peary. All enjoyed excellent health and were comfortable through the winter, although the average temperature was from 30 to 50 degrees Fahrenheit below zero. All returned in safety except young Verhoeff, whose loss in the crevasse of a glacier cast a gloom over the party and seems to have been the only unfortunate incident of the expedition. Notwithstanding the great dangers of Arctic exploration and its apparent comparative uselessness, there seems to be a fascination about it which makes men brave every danger to penetrate into the unknown regions surrounding the north pole. Hundreds of valuable lives have been sacrificed and great sums expended in this exploration without any adequate results even in the promotion of useful scientific knowledge. One season forms no manner of guide to another, and what may be plain sailing one summer may be closed by impenetrable ice the next.

Killed By A Trunk.

One of the most peculiar accidents on record recently deprived Lena Koepel, of Cincinnati, of her life. Miss Koepel had long been a sufferer from epileptic fits, and was on that account incapacitated from doing her regular work. She therefore acted as housekeeper for Mr. and Mrs. Julius Mencke, the latter of whom was her sister. As both Mr. and Mrs. Mencke were employed during the day, Miss Koepel was left at home from early in the morning until supper time.

One evening Mr. Mencke was surprised, upon reaching home shordly after six o'clock, to observe that there was no light burning in his apartments. In response to his calls for Julia, there was nothing but silence, for Mrs. Mancke had not yet got in from her work. Mencke groped his way to where he knew there was a matchsafe and lit the lamp. Then he went in search of the missing housekeeper, and in the next room he found her and understood why she was silent.

Kneeling upon the floor, with one hand attempting to push back the lid of a trunk which had closed upon her neck, and the other lifeless by her side within a few in. of where the needle and thread had fallen from her pulseless grasp, was his sister-in-law.

He rushed over to her and hastily removed the lid of the trunk, but it was useless, for she was dead. The sharp edge of the iron had cut deeply into her neck, and left blue gashes from which the blood seemed ready to spurt. (Some old letters were lying where she had evidently paused a moment in her work to read the stories of some friend of former days, and had perished in the midst of one of them.) The cause was apparent to the man at once.

While reading the letters she had been seized with one of the fits and had fallen; the jar shook the trunk and caused the lid to fall upon her neck, and thus she was held until life was pressed out.

About a year ago the girl was working in a second story window and heard some one yell fire. The fright threw her into one of the fits, and she fell to the ground, severely injuring her head and face. Since that time the fits have been more frequent and severe, and of late her relatives were in constant fear of some accdient of this kind, and kept a careful watch on her while at home. She was twenty-nine years old and unmrrried.

THE largest band sewing machine in the world has recently been completed in England and sent to Tasmania. The machine can saw through a maximum depth of 75 inches, and the carriage will accommodate logs 50 feet long and weighing about 50 tons.

THE Scotch papers tell of a lady near Edinburgh who keeps a cat farm and finds it a profitable speculation. She rears cats for sale—tortoise-shell, Angoria, Persian and other varieties. The tortoise-shell are the most costly.

Trapped by a Reporter.

Joseph C. Criddle, a reporter on the *evening Ledger* of New Haven, entered into a correspondence with a green-goods man of New York on August 8 last, for the purpose of securing his arrest and punishment. The plan fell through at the time owing to a premature arrest, and so Criddle tried it over again. This time he succeeded. Criddle assumed the name of F. E. Benjamin. A man who signed the name "R. H. Pine, of No. 227 west One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street," wrote Criddle that for $500, good money, he would receive $3000 worth of green good; for $700 he would get $6000, and for $1,000 the principaly sum of 10,000. Criddle led Pine on until it was arranged that Criddle should make a trip to this city, For the purpose of identification Pine wrote that Criddle should wear a blue ribbon on the top button of his vest. He came and immediately proceeded to police Headquarters, where he told Chief Inspector Steers the whole business. Detective Sergeants Crowley and Hanley were detained on the case, and they instructed Criddle to keep his appointment with the green goods man.

At the Hartford Hotel, One Hundred and Thirty-third street and third avenue, Criddle saw a clean shaven, bald-headed man looking at the blue ribbon on his vest. was he "Mr. Benjamin, of New Haven," asked the man, and Criddle replied in the affirmatvie. The man said he would take him to Pine, who was in Jersey City, and the two so-called away together. The detectives followed. On the way downtown on the cars the man confided to the newspaper man that Pine was a nice old gentleman and that he would treat him "white." He also said that the employees of the government were in collusion with Pine and that after greenback plates were once used they were turned over to them for their use. That was how they got their money.

The detectives did not want to lose their jurisdiction on the green-goods man and arrested him as he was about to board a Jersey City ferry-boat. At the tombs Police Court he described himself as Henry Conlon, thirty years old, of Newaak, N. J. It is believed that he is Pine himself. He was represented by "Abe" Hummel and and was held for further examination.

Perilous Riding on an Iron Horse.

"Did you ever ride on a locomotive?" asked O. G. Hasking. "I tried it once and have no desire to repeat the experiment. It was out in Colorado, where you sometimes run so close to the bottomless chasms that you could drop your hat into them, and make turns so short and sudden that it nearly disjoints your spinal vertebre. The master mechanic was an old friend of mine and gave me permission to ride over the road on the engine of the lightning express. The engineer did not fancy my presence much, but treated me civilly. We were behind time, the night was as black as Erebus, and a terrich thunder storm was raging. The engineer was determined to go in on time, and the way he rushed around those curves across canons was enough to make a man's hair turn gray.

"The peculiar things about these mountain engines is that they do not take a curve like any other vehicle. They go plunging straight ahead until you feel sure that they are clear of the track and suspended in mid air, and the shoot around and leave you to wonder by what miracle you have been saved. The trucks take the curve in the orthodox manner, but the superstructure is so arranged that it consumes more time in making the turn. With the lightning playing about the mountain peaks and half disclosing the frightful gorges and swollen torrents, the great iron leviathan swaying and plumping along that slippery, serpentine track, I first realized the perils of railway travel and the responsibility of the sullen man who kept his hand on the throttle and his eye on the track. I stood with my heart in my throat admiring his nerve, but not envying him his job. At the first stop I clambered back into the coach and stayed there."—*St. Louis Globe Democrat*

Big Insurance Policies.

The announcement that J. J. Hill, president of the Great Northern Railroad Company, had paid $136,350 for a life insurance policy of $100,000 and an annuity of $12,500 to begin three years hence, has created considerable comment among insurance men.

"There is at least one man insured for as much as President Hill of the Great Northern," said Alvah W. Brown, referring to the statement. "That is John Wanamaker. He has paid-up polices amounting to $1,000,000."

The biggest pemium ever paid was by Theodore A. Havemeyer to the Mutual, Life, and amounted to $572,000. It was paid by a single check drawn by E. C. Potter, his son-in-law, for five policies on five different lives, and the polices were different from any ever before issued. They were for $200,000 each and were paid up. It required a great deal of calculation to fix the exact amount at death, and that, should any of the holders survive at the end of 20 years, the policies would then become full participants in the surplus income, and would receive what ever additions should accrue to the policy after that age. The idea was to begin at 1100,000 and rise to $200,000 at maturity.

Grinding Up a Cat and Kittens.

Some years ago a well-known miller, who is now in the milling business in Talbot county, and who, by the way, is one of the best millers in the county, was operating a water-mill in Harmony district, Caroline county, near Fowling Creek. There was a cat and a nest of kittens in the mill, and one Saturday evening the miller locked up the mill. Monday morning he turned the water on and the wheels and the mill-stones went to revolving before the miller went up into the mill. Presently a curious kind of grist was ejected, masses of crushed bones, mangled flesh and hair came forth, —more like the product of a sausage factory than of a grist mill. The cat and kittens had disappeared. The mill was speedily stopped. The miller soon found the explanation of the phenomenon. The cat and her brood were evidently nesting in the cavity of the upper mill-stone when the water was turned on. It took the miller and an assistant three days to scrub and clean the mill-stones, and other parts of the grinding apparatus.—*Easton Ledger.*

On Year's Sale of Stamps.

The number of postage stamps used in a year is something enormous. For instance, the ordinary postal revenue for the year ending June 30, 1891, exclusive of the money order business, was $65,065,283,87. Of this $41,132,129,50 came from the letter postage. The bulk of this is, of course, in two cent stamps, and it it is safe to put the whole number of this denomination used at more than two billions per annum.

Had Been Dipped.

The Village Pastor—Johnny, you tell me you have been to Sunday-school?
The Bad Boy—Yes, sir.
The Village Pastor—But, Johnny, your hair is wet.
The Bad Boy—Yes, sir; it's a Baptist Sunday-school.—*Jester.*

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