

The Sahara Desert.

The Sahara, the largest desert in the world, occupies an area estimated at from 1,500,000 to 2,500,000 square miles. The sterility of the Sahara is largely attributable to the fact that the prevailing northeast trade winds which blow over its surface bring it no moisture, having been almost drained of aqueous vapor in their long continental journey over Europe and Asia. On the mountains south of the Mediterranean they deposit more than they have collected in their brief passage over the sea. When they reach the heated desert beyond, where the absorptive capacity of the air is greatly increased by the access of temperature, they bear away moisture instead of bringing it, and it is not condensed into rain until it reaches the mountains of Central Asia. The Sahara is probably subject to a higher temperature than any other region on the globe; the thermometer has been known to register 133 deg. F. This terrific heat imparts their dreaded characteristic to the suns and other similar winds blown off the desert. According to Sir Charles Lyell the Sahara was under water between latitude 20 degrees and 40 degrees N. at one time during the glacial epoch, so that there was water communication between the southern part of the Mediterranean and that portion of the Atlantic ocean now bounded by the west coast of Africa. A project has of late been advocated of reconverting the deeper part of the Sahara, an area of about 126,000 square miles, into a sea, by cutting a canal from the Atlantic through the sand hills which form the western border.

Political Temperance Parties.

It would be the most remarkable thing in the history of the world if the little harmless Moxie Nerve Food plant should substitute the use of stimulants, and take the wind out of the sails of the political temperance parties. There is the best of authority for the statement that the drinker is better satisfied with it, and the liquor dealer has to keep it or lose his custom. It is a powerful factor that they can make just as much money on it and pay no license. Also, the women and churchies back it to the utmost. All the dealers say its sale is enormous. The chemists putting it on the market offer the chemists \$5,000 if they can find anything in it more deleterious than common bitters, root and wintergreen. We thank God it can do so well without harm.

War on the Chatterer.

A reform, which has come gradually but quite definitely within the last few years, is the extinction of the race of beings who beat time unconsciously with their feet upon the floor, their fans upon the chair in front, or their fingers upon the arm of the chair in which they sit. I attribute this in great measure to the frequent productions of Wagner's music, to which no creature can beat the rhythm. However this may be, this pulsating evidence of your neighbor's enjoyment is now seldom felt, and I hope it has gone to join the "Bewry tramp," in which the galleries used to take such delight, and which was, indeed, in its day, a soulful demonstration in comparison. But there yet remains the chatterer, and to him—or, quite as frequently, to her—I would suggest that there be next directed the reformatory influence of the dames and demoiselles who have won such a notable victory over the high hats.—Boston Post.

Happy Man.

"It is singular," said Mrs. Henpecker to her husband, "that although we often hear of the man in the moon, we never hear of any woman in the moon."

"No, we never do," he answered, "there is no woman in the smiling moon."

"Smiling moon?"

"Yes, it is called the smiling moon. The man in it smiles."

"What for?"

"Because there is no woman there."—Boston Courier.

In Town and Hamlet.

The seeds of intermittent and bilious remittent fever germinate and bear evil fruit. No community has altogether escaped it. In populous wards of large cities bad sewage causes it, and in their suburbs stagnant pools in sunken lots breed it. There is at once a remedy and a means of prevention. Its name is Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, which is, without peradventure, the most potent antidote in existence to the malarial virus. Fortified with this incomparable, saving specific, miasmatic influences may be encountered with absolute impunity. Disorders of the stomach, liver and bowels, begotten by miasma-tainted water, or any other cause, succumb to the beneficial corrective named, and rheumatic, kidney and bladder troubles are surely removable by its use when it is given a persistent trial.

Resisting Temptation.

Tommy—Is it wrong for little boys to smoke, papa?

Papa—Very. It takes away all their appetite, among other things.

Tommy—Guess I'll have to take to it, papa. That jar of tamarinds that mamma told me not to touch is tempting me altogether too much.—Tid-Bits.

Show animals are cheap this year, judging from the prices prevailing in Philadelphia the other day, when O'Brien's menagerie was offered at auction. Three elephants brought \$1,500, \$1,360, and \$1,010; a black antelope, \$400; a lioness, \$250; a royal Bengal tiger, \$350; a leopard, \$190; a camel, \$140; an emu, \$100; an elk, \$75; a hyena, \$45; and a yak, \$20.

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"PEOPLE needn't sneer at me because I am an old maid," said Miss Gildersleeve, snappishly. "I may be an old maid, but if I am I'm one from choice." "Yes," said Mr. Cassignole, sympathetically, "so I've always understood. Choice was quite unanimous, wasn't it?"

A LITTLE fire is quickly trodden out Which, being suffered, rivers cannot quench. Procrastination may rob you of time, but by increased diligence you can make up the loss; but if it rob you of life the loss is irretrievable. If your health is delicate, your appetite fickle, your sleep broken, your mind depressed, your whole being out of sorts, depend on it you are seriously diseased. In all such cases Dr. Pierce's "Golden Medical Discovery" will speedily effect a genuine, radical cure—make a new man of you, and save you from the tortures of lingering disease.

A SCIENTIST says that ducks are large eaters. This fellow must keep an ice-cream saloon.—Yonkers Statesman.

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