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"LOVE," writes a correspondent, "is a pleasant sensation of uneasiness."

BLESSED be those who have nothing, for bursted banks don't trouble them.

"How to Rest" is the recent work of a great physician. We commend it to the wicked.

THE Atlantic cables ought to be placed under bonds not to transmit any London "society" news for about one year.

ONCE again it is announced that Mr. Howells will bid farewell to Boston forever. Mr. Howells is the Adele Patti of literature.

WHEN it is remembered how slowly but with crushing effect the glaciers move, it is not difficult to believe that the "tooth of time" must be a grinder.

FLIES are like some people. The older they grow the vainer they get. If you have noticed, the mirrors in your house have to be cleaned twice as often now as in the spring.

PEOPLES are becoming more and more convinced every day that medicine is injurious. Water inside and out, and dieting, will accomplish wonders, but let medicine alone whenever possible.

THERE was no divorce granted in the suit of the wife of Earl Russell against her titled husband, but it would seem that a divorce of the aristocratic pair from decent society ought to be expected.

"WHEN your time comes you are going," said Mr. Depew to a reporter who asked if he feared dynamite cranks. The predestinarian and the railroad man are neatly blended in that oracular response.

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BEAUTY of reputation is a mantle of spotless ermine, in which, if you are enwrapped, you shall receive the homage of those above you, as real, as ready, as spontaneous as any ever paid to personal beauty in its most powerful hour.

SO LONG as a lawyer can get a fee of \$400,000 for breaking a will he will break it, even if it is the will of a lawyer. Let those who imagine they have a right to say what shall be done with the money they have earned in a long life consider this fact.

THE gentleman who dropped that dynamite bomb on the floor of Russell Sage's office did not accomplish much in the way of effecting the better distribution of wealth, but he seems to have distributed his own body with entire fairness to everybody in the neighborhood.

SUCCI, the fasting man from the Nubian desert, proposes to test his wonderful powers by taking poison enough to kill forty men. If he wants to be sure of an eternal sleep, he should confine himself to poison enough to kill any one man. His stomach may rebel at a dose for forty men.

SOCIETY, my friend, is a wall of very strong masonry, as it now stands; it may be sapped in the course of a thousand years, but stormed in a day—no! You dash your head against it—you scatter your brains, and you dislodge a stone; society smiles in scorn, effaces the stain, and replaces the stone.

THOUGHTFUL persons of much experience know that the way to be happy is to give up all attempts to be so. In other words the cream of enjoyment in this life is always impromptu—the chance walk, the unexpected visit, the unpremeditated journey, the unsought conversation or acquaintance.

ENDEAVOR to always be patient of the faults and imperfections of others; for thou hast many faults and imperfections of thine own that require a reciprocation of forbearance. If thou art not able to make thyself that which thou wishest to be, how cannot thou expect to mold another in conformity to thy will?

NEARLY every man acts silly when he goes into the probate judge's office after a marriage license. Only one in ten asks for what he wants. Some ask for "a death warrant," some for "a deed to a woman," and all sorts of foolish things. They all have the same look on their faces, and their errand is always apparent before they speak.

FARMERS out West complain of "a lack of thrashers," and the Boston Herald in a streak of generosity proposes to send out "a hand of muscular schoolma'ams" from the old Bay State. The suggestion is a good one, and the big brothers of the Dakota south will welcome the hand of

"thrashing schoolma'ams" with open arms.

A FAR-AWAY—but not very far off—contemporary advises a young man, when writing a love letter, to keep before his mind how the letter would look in print. But he is much more apt to keep before his vision how the one to whom he is writing looks in print, muslin, calico or silk. And quite right he is, too. There is too much pessimism abroad in the land.

GEORGE W. ALLEN, better known as "Land Bill Allen," died in an Ohio poor-house. He spent a handsome fortune in getting his homestead law before the people, and many thousands owe their beautiful homes to his untiring labors. His original bill of 1863 has been many times amended, but its principles have been preserved. Now that he is dead there is a movement to raise a monument to his memory.

IT has ever been a moment when the utterances which are attributed to the Emperor William in his recent address to the military would be the most ill-advised possible, this is the time. With all Europe full of discontent, with the whole world seething with revolt against kindly authority, the Emperor reasserts the doctrine of absolute dominion such as existed in the old Roman days. To proclaim boldly that he is Emperor owns his subjects, body and soul, was hardly tolerated in the time of the Caesars: will it be accepted in Germany to-day?

ALAS and alas! Between the physicians and the philosophers, even that ethereal and delightful consolation of poor humanity, the kiss, will soon be driven from this world of woe! The doctors, with their terrible tales of diseases of the respiratory organs, communicated when the kiss was throwing off sparks, will cast a gloom over the ecstasies of courtship. Fancy the feelings of the young and happily engaged bachelor when, as he prepares to place the kiss of affection upon the ruby lips of his future bride, she draws back and with assumed kindness says: "Excuse me, George, dear; but you know diphtheritis is so uncommonly prevalent just now!"

A WONDERFUL cheapening in the process of steel manufacture is reported from Baltimore. It promises to be as great an improvement upon the Bessemer process as that was upon the previously employed methods of producing steel from the raw iron. The iron is melted, a few chemicals placed on it, and after a few seconds the melted mass is poured off into molds, the work of reduction being as complete as it is simple. The steel is said to be of the best, and obtained at a cost of barely that of the old mode of conversion. It is said to cost \$6.50 to convert a ton of pig iron into steel by the Bessemer process, and that by this method at least as equal good result can be obtained for \$1.25. If this be true another revolution in the iron and steel class of industries is imminent.

THE New York Home Journal rebuked the Grolier Club for giving its authority to what the Journal is pleased to term the "singular, inex-usable practice" of gilding the tops of books and leaving the edges white.

It is to the credit of the Grolier Club if this is true. The top of a volume is cut and gilded because otherwise the dust gathers about it and renders it unsightly, but this is not the case with front and bottom, which may therefore be left uncut, a fact which

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