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LABOR NOTES

The United States contain 900,000 telephones.

A ton of steel will make 10,000 gross of pens.

In Cuba 2,000,000 acres are under cultivation.

The manufacture of jewelry in Birmingham gives constant employment to 14,000 persons.

Coffee forms about 60 per cent. of Porto Rico's exports, sugar 20 per cent. and tobacco 5 per cent.

Peach stones find a ready market in New York City, where perfumes, flavoring extracts and prussic acid are distilled from the kernels.

The success of raising flax in Mexico is justifying the establishing of mills. The factory of Willard & Co. at San Luis Potosi was started in 1892, and since that date several other factories have begun operations. Heretofore flax from Belfast, Ireland, has been used, but Jalisco flax will be used from now on.

Cuba is in urgent need of American machinery. A great deal of the sugar-making machinery on the island, which was the finest in the world, has been destroyed by Spaniards and insurgents, and it will have to be replaced. The coffee-growing industry, once prosperous, will be re-established, and it will also require machinery.

The Standard Oil enterprises give employment to upward of 25,000 men, or a number equal to the United States army before the last war. The pipe lines controlled by the Rockefeller concerns amount to more than 20,000 miles. Placed end to end they would reach almost around the earth. In addition to the pipe lines 200 steamers and 3,500 tank cars are employed in transporting the product.

The value of last year's output of some of the principal minerals of the United States was as follows: Coal, $210,263,953; iron, $111,858,254; gold, $64,300,000; copper, $64,244,326; petroleum, $49,277,000; silver, $37,321,356; coke, $31,920,000; lead, $16,410,265; zinc, $10,267,397. Nearly three-fourths of the total are included in this enumeration. The total production for the year was $810,050,023, as against $750,312,355 in 1897, an increase of $59,737,768.

A beet sugar factory is to be erected at Grand Junction, Cal. The citizens of Grand Junction donated for the enterprise 1,500 acres of land near the city, valued at $75,000. The farmers, 260 in number, signed pledges to cultivate 3,500 acres in beets for a minimum period of three years, the beets to be delivered at the factory and the sugar company to pay $4.25 per ton for the same. Farmers at a long distance from the factory will pay freight at the rate of 50 cents a ton.

These are remarkable figures given out by the American Iron and Steel Association relating to the production of pig iron last year in the United States—a total of 11,733,964 gross tons, compared with 9,612,680 tons in 1897. In other words, the production was 2,121,254 tons above the highest previous record, and consumption was even larger, for stocks of unsold iron in the hands of manufacturers amounted to only 251,233 tons at the end of the year, compared with 656,489 unsold tons at the end of 1897.

Why the Trick Failed.

A conjurer was exhibiting in Nashville, and prepared in the usual way for the well-known trick of passing a marked coin into the center of an uncut orange.

He found an intelligent urchin, and promised to pass him into the show provided he agreed to come on the stage at a given signal. Of course the urchin assented. The boy was provided with a marked dollar, and when the curtain rose he was in the front row.

The professor proceeded to borrow a dollar in the audience, marked it similarly to the one in the urchin's pocket, and, after some flourishes, passed it into the orange, from which he extracted it.

"Now," he said, "I'm going to ask some member of the audience to step on the stage, and then I'll pass the dollar into his pocket without going near him."

The youngster stepped up; the conjurer made the usual flourishes. "Now, my boy," he said, "put your hand in your right-hand trousers pocket and give me the dollar."

The boy looked sheepish, but he dived his fist down. Then, to the horror of Hertz, he produced a handful of silver and said: "I've only got ninety cents of it left, sir."—Saturday Evening Post.

He Thought It Unfair.

The Atlanta Constitution affirms that, as the representative of a Georgia county was leaving home to assume his honorable duties, one of his aged colored constituents said to him:

"Marse Ben, you gwine ter de Legislatur?"

"Yes; that's where I'm bound."

"En you gwine ter make laws?"

"That's what they tell me."

"Er, how much will you git a day fer dat?"

"Four dollars."

"My Lawd!" exclaimed the astonished old man. "En des ter think—all I gets is forty cents a day fer plowin', en only meat en bread fer pickin' cotton!"

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He was told he might order a suit from a tailor; but when the tailor arrived the prisoner found he could only consult with him through the bars. In order to be measured he had to stand as close to them as he could get.

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The North Pole.)

or the:

(King of Fairyland,
Paradise.)

or,

(To a Rich Santa Claus.)

It seems a pity that these pathetic appeals which have been surreptitiously dropped in the post boxes by truants from home should meet no tender eye of parent or guardian, but be wasted upon that imaginary idol of childhood.

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—Ainslee's Magazine.

1,000,000 Sailors from One Ship.

The U. S. Receiving Ship Vermont, now over 50 years old, has been the schoolhouse for over 1,000,000 sailors. The age and accomplishments are much the same as Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, which has been before the public for fifty years, and has cured innumerable cases of malaria, fever and ague, besides dyspepsia and indigestion.

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