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The flowers of speech spring from the roots of the tongue.

It is stated that the inner edge of the Gulf stream, in latitude 26° 30', has shifted 100 miles east of its former position.

Young ladies at an evening party are like arrows, for they cannot go off without a beau, and are in a quiver until they get one.

Agriculture is the most useful, the most healthful, and most noble employment of man.

The world's experience preaches in vain; every man thinking himself an exception to all general rules.

The various Christian sects in the United States are said to expend \$6,000,000 annually in the support of their ministry.

Chinese think telegraph wires are the railroads of little demons, and, as they do not choose to facilitate the passage of such spirits, they tear the lines down.

Beautiful was the reply of a venerable man to the question whether he was still in the land of the living—"No, but I am almost there."

Don Pattos, the one-legged dancer who has made a sensation in England, recently tried to cut his throat in delirium tremens.

A State dinner recently given in Vienna continued twelve hours. There were twenty-nine courses and fifty different kinds of wine.

The Baptists are declining in Vermont. Thirty years ago they had one hundred and twenty-eight churches; now they have ninety-nine.

On the 19th March, Mrs. Mollie McHosner died at the Buchanan county, (Mo.) hospital at the advanced age of 123 years. She was a native of Ireland.

Hurry and Canning are the two apprentices of Dispatch and Skill; but neither of them ever learn their master's trade.

"Have you blasted hopes?" asked a lady of a green librarian, whose face was much swollen by the toothache. "No, ma'am, but I have a blasted toothache," was the reply.

All the respectable newdealers in Hartford have excluded indecent illustrated papers from their stores. We hope newdealers everywhere will follow their example.

An Irishman says "that the best remedy for baldness is to rub whiskey on your head until the hair grows out, then take it inwardly to clinch the roots."

Ephraim Willard, of Hubbardstown, Mass., is 82 years old, and works at blacksmithing daily in the same shop his father did sixty years ago.

Auber, the composer, has in his possession, neatly bound, the original of his compositions. He always stipulates with his publishers that his autograph copy shall be returned to him.

By means of that wonderful optical instrument, the spectroscope, the existence of watery vapor around the star Antares, as well as the atmosphere of Mars and Saturn, has, it is asserted by Janssen, been clearly indicated.

The goings of Berlin are much exercised about the rumor that the famous "white lady," the apparition which is said to announce important events in the Hohenzollern family, has again made her appearance at the royal palace.

A traveler in Africa says he encountered one sable dignitary who possessed eleven portly wives, all of whom he weighed monthly—the one that weighed the most being invariably installed mistress of the household until the next weighing.

"Pap, I planted some potatoes in our garden," said a smart youth to his father, "and what do you think came up?" "Why, potatoes, of course." "No, sir, there came up a drove of hogs and ate them all."

The growing passion for gambling in the higher classes of English society has of late been frequently noticed. The London correspondent of an Irish paper declares that some time ago a young member of the aristocracy lost \$50,000 at whist, at the Portland club, in London.

Here is a fine prize for some historian of the twentieth century. A Russian General of artillery has just died after having deposited in the bank of St. Petersburg a sum of \$25,000, to remain at interest until the year 1920, the anniversary of the death of the Emperor Alexander I., and then to be given to the author of the best history of that sovereign.

A certain Irish attorney threatened to prosecute a Dublin printer for inserting a notice of the death of a living person. The menacer concluded with the remark that "No printer should publish a death unless informed of the fact by the party deceased."

Paris is soon to hear the new opera of Hamlet, by Ambrose Thomas. The music of one of the scenes is so fine that the orchestra, after playing it through for the first time, laid down their instruments and indulged in uproarious applause.

Dr. Claude Bernard is making curious experiments on the prolongation of life, on the heads of persons executed by the guillotine. He seems to have reached the conclusion that life never leaves the head of these criminals, except with the last drop of blood; and if it were possible to tie the arteries immediately after beheading, life would continue for some time. It was by infusing oxygenated blood into the arteries of the neck that Dr. Claude Bernard was able to discover this phenomenon in the heads of criminals, separated from the body for some time.

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