

BALDHEADED SOLDIERS.

The Extreme Heat in the Philippines is Destructive to Our Men's Hair.

"When the Tenth regiment came home from the Philippines the people of western Pennsylvania must be prepared to welcome an aggregation of baldheaded heroes."

These were the words of Corporal John J. McKnight, who arrived in Pittsburgh the other morning, after a 64-day trip from Manila, where he secured a discharge from Col. Hawkins' regiment while on the firing line, says the Pittsburgh Chronicle-Telegraph.

THE FIDDLE CAME BACK.

A Cincinnati Man's Queer Experience with His Homemade Violin.

James Dillingworth, a Cincinnati man, lately had an experience in a Chicago violin shop that might happen once in ten million times.

"We haven't finished the repair yet," said the clerk. "You see, we had to take the violin apart," he explained, exhibiting the pieces.

SOMEBODY HAD TO STAY.

So It Followed That It Was the Prisoner Who Was in Charge of the Jail.

The story below is from El Diario, an Argentine newspaper, published in Spanish. The anecdote is told of a prisoner in a provincial town in Argentina.

"The chief, sir, lives at his farm, three or four leagues off. He seldom comes."

"But this is a scandal! There is nobody here to explain things. And you? Who are you?"

PLAYING POKER BY WIRE.

Telegraph Operators Have Games with Distant Brethren of the Craft.

Few outside the brotherhood of the key are aware that operators often play poker over the wire. It is, nevertheless, a fact, and the diversion is fairly common.

"When I was working on the Blankety-blank line at a little railroad station in Illinois," said an ex-operator the other day, "business was very slack toward early morning and we used to get up a four-handed game regularly.

Graveyard for Animals and Birds. A 110-acre burial ground for animals and birds has been established at Coxsack, N. Y.

CAUSE AND EFFECT.

Why All the People on an Incoming Steamer Were Shaking Their Handkerchiefs.

It was a blistering hot morning. The white sand reflected the sun's rays like a glass, says the New York Commercial Advertiser. What little breeze there was stirring only served to whip up the sand and fill one's lungs with the parching dust.

"What's the matter with her?" asked the signalman, poking his telescope through one of the slides in the side of the tower.

"We looked down at the shore, 150 feet below us. On the ridge of sand, standing on a barrel, was a boy. He was waving his coat at the liner."

KINDNESS TO DRUMMERS.

They Are Told at an Iowa Railway Station of the Town's Hotel Capacity.

The average traveling man regards Grinnell, Ia., as the most desirable territory on earth through which to carry a grip and sell his wares.

Half a century ago Mr. Dillingworth made the violin just as an experiment and because he had a knack for using cabinet tools.

HAIR FOR VIOLIN BOWS.

Where It Comes From and the Different Kinds That Are More Commonly Used.

The horse hair used in making violin and other similar bows is imported from Germany; a considerable part of the hair thus imported, however, coming originally from Russia.

"The gendarmes, sir, finish their duty at six p. m. and don't report till next day."

"I am the prisoner, sir."

HOLD A COPYRIGHT ON THE BIBLE.

In the high court of chancery of England the universities of Oxford and Cambridge recently obtained an injunction forbidding Rev. Francis Marshall and other defendants from reprinting extracts from the revised edition of the New Testament.

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HEATING SUBSTANCES.

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BOSTON'S MUNICIPAL MUSIC.

The Hub is the First American City to Try the Experiment—Free Concerts.

Indoor concerts, though carried on by many European cities, have probably never before been undertaken by any American municipality.

The admission ranged from 10 to 25 cents, and practically met the expenses.

TWIN CHICKENS.

The Strange Pair Are Very Exclusive and Associate Only with Each Other.

A rather unusual sight was witnessed recently during a visit to a poultry farm near the "Heart of the Commonwealth," says the Boston Transcript.

WOMEN WON'T REST.

They Have Lost the Useful Art of Dawdling—A Good Motto for Workers.

The gospel of periodical rest is not preached to women half forcibly enough.

SWORE ON A DEAD BIRD.

Chinaman Refuses to Take an Oath Unless on a Headless Cockatoo.

The various forms of oath-taking, even in this country, are of considerable interest and would certainly form a fascinating chapter in connection with the peculiarities of legal lore.

CARIBOU CEMETERIES.

Places Where the Animals Go to Shed Their Horns and Finally to Die.

A recent number of Forest and Stream contains the following contribution from a Quebec correspondent concerning the habit moose and caribou have of going to the same place, season after season, to shed their antlers:

"The idea of the animals seeking a definite place for this purpose was quite new to me, but lately the efficient superintendent of game and fisheries at Quebec, L. Z. Joncas, Esq., has told me that this habit was quite well known to him.

"Mr. Joncas instanced the case of a gentleman going to a certain region for geological exploration, who asked for a permit to shoot a moose out of season in order to get a good pair of antlers."

WHITE RACES IN THE TROPICS.

The Indian Medical Record does not believe in the acclimatization of the white race in the tropics.

A LUCKY DEPRIVATION.

A schoolmaster in a village school had been in the habit of purchasing pork from parents of his pupils on the occasion of the killing of the pig.

A MILLION PRIESTS.

It is Said That One-Third of the Siamese Are Dedicated to Ecclesiasticism.

According to a lecture on Siam delivered recently in London by John Bartlett, that Asiatic country has more than its share of priests.

DR. LOEW'S DISCOVERY.

Chicago Bacteriologists Talk of the Alleged Enzymes Fatal to Germ.

Dr. Adolph Gehrman, the Chicago bacteriologist, was asked his opinion of the reported discovery made by Dr. Oscar Loew, of the agricultural department, and Dr. E. Emerich, of Berlin, working together, concerning enzymes.

THE GOLD SUPPLY.

Sir Hicks-Beach Says Increase is Now Absorbed by the United States and Russia.

Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, chancellor of the exchequer, addressing the London bankers and merchants at a dinner at the Mansion House, London, the other night, referred to the remarkable increase in the world's gold production.

MAGNET USED IN SURGERY.

Novel and Successful Method of Performing a Delicate Operation on a Man's Eye.

The first practical test has been made of a powerful new electro-magnet recently added to the equipment of the Manhattan Eye and Ear hospital, in New York city.

LIFE'S PRACTICAL SIDE.

The Girls in Brooklyn Schools to Be Taught Many New Subjects.

Chicken raising, carpentering, milking, electrical engineering, and other useful pursuits may soon be placed in the curriculum studied by the school girls in Brooklyn.

FOUR BABIES AT SIXTEEN.

Indiana Woman the Mother of Quadruplets, All of Them Surviving Girls.

Mrs. James Platt, aged 16 years, of Union Mills, Laporte county, Ind., gave birth to four daughters the other evening.

PERIL OF VACATION TIME.

The summer months carry the serious peril for thousands of people, both men and women, that vacations bring serious temptation to over-exercise, says the Philadelphia Press.

DUBLIN'S TWO ANTI-CATHOLIC CHURCHES.

Dublin has two anti-catholic churches, St. Patrick's and St. George's, the former of which was founded by a brewer and the latter by a brewer.

IT WILL BEAR FRUIT.

Good to Be Felt from the Tuberculosis Congress.

Effort Being Made to Find an Effective Serum to Combat the Disease of Consumption.

Surgeon J. C. Boyd, of the navy, one of the United States delegates to the recent tuberculosis congress in Berlin, has returned to Washington and is preparing a report for the department on the work of congress.

GIFTS TO NEGROES.

Mr. Huntington, the Wealthy Railroad Magnate, to Establish Reformatory in the South.

Collis P. Huntington, the wealthy railroad magnate, whose benefactions to the cause of negro education in the south have brought to both Hampton and Tuskegee handsome buildings, where the industrial arts are studied on their practical side, has undertaken another philanthropic enterprise in the south as practical as either and perhaps as greatly needed.

DR. FRANK PARKER.

Dr. Frank Parker, who performed the operation, turned the electric power into the magnet, and then, with the patient on an operating table, moved him gradually toward the magnet.

POSSIBLE TO SLEEP THERE.

In Vienna organ grinders are allowed to play only between midday and sunset.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE.

The British government is about to establish a department of commerce.