

AND HARD TIMES.

Maid responsible for the Business Depression.
are persons in the world who believe the bicycle to be a factor in the present hard time...

CYCLING IN SPAIN.

Spots of the Spanish Plains and Sierras.
the old chroniclers of Spain, Holbe and Gautier, who crossed its sierras with the back...

it is to just the opposite contrast four months' kicking Spanish turnpikes, mountain and cities with a cycle has...

ly before going there, I asked who had traveled extensively Spain if the country was really so late as many people made it...

Making Negroes White.
ell-known scientist, who has been studying the skins of negroes, declares that by the propagation of electricity a black...

A Census of Horses.
years ago careful estimates were made of the number of horses in the world. It was learned that there were 68,000,000, divided as follows: Europe, 37,000,000; Asia, 1,000,000; America, 2,000,000...

the Danger Line.
most curious thing in the world was discovered by a Frenchman. He was nearly whispered the danger line, with a gesture to the danger line in the next travel.

MAN'S FIRST APPEARANCE.

Early Traces Found in the Rocks of Human Existence.

A question of more than scientific interest, the date of man's first appearance upon the earth, is discussed by Mr. E. T. Newton in an address to the Geologists' association, which has just been published. That the human race is much older than was supposed half a century ago is universally admitted.

The strongest case for pliocene man comes from Burma, where chipped flints are said to have occurred at great depths in gravel; but even this is not free from suspicion, though some persons think this is carrying scepticism too far.

How to Live Long.
Lines Upon Which a Healthy Life is Built.
Fix deeply in mind the grand truth that life power rules the body, and that it alone can cure disease.

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JENNIE KNEW RUTH'S HAT.

That is How the Girls Came Unexpectedly to Meet.

Had they been men they would not have met. But as they were girls, they did meet, and had a just too lovely time, hugging, kissing, and telling each other what they had seen since they parted, tearfully, yet joyfully, in America.

The weary travelers, prosaically discussing their meal, were startled by a shriek of incredulous delight from the hallway, and into the dining-room rushed the apparition of Jennie, her face ablaze with the wonder and delight of it all.

When reason had resumed her calm sway and the girls and their mothers were together in the privacy of their rooms, Jennie told how she, becoming thirsty, had taken a pitcher and sallied forth in search of water.

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For Young Men and Others.
Make a call too short rather than be yawned out.—Ram's Horn.

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A PLUCKY MINISTER.

Stories Told of Sir John Drummond Hay.

Sir John Drummond Hay was a fine horseman, and on one occasion, having been to interview the Moorish foreign minister at El Arash, 60 miles from Tangier, he desired to catch the outgoing steamer which left next morning.

On another occasion, when out with his children, a fanatic attacked him and one of his children, and Sir John struck the man with the cane he carried such a blow as stretched him seemingly lifeless on the ground, only vouchsafing the remark: "Take away the corpse."

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BREVITIES OF FUN.

—Lost Child (to policeman)—"Please, sir, have you seen a man without a little boy? 'Cause if you have, I's that little boy."—Tit-Bits.

—George, I fear you are marrying me just because my uncle left me a fortune. "No, my precious. I'd marry you just the same if any other friend had left it to you."—Tit-Bits.

—First Tramp—"The lady over yonder tried to get me to work for a cent." Second Tramp—"Maybe she took you for one of those penny-in-the-slot machines."—Yonkers Statesman.

—Impecunious Count (looking at the portraits of his ancestors)—"Lucky fellows, you old robber barons! You only took the cash of the money bags. We have to take their daughters, too."—Fliegende Blaetter.

—One Second Before the Fight.—"O'Hara—"Say, Moike, do yez know why yer reminds me av wan o' thim bicycles?"—McGoagan—"No, Tim; why?"—O'Hara—"Because yez travels mostly on wind."—Cleveland Leader.

—Advice from the Heart.—Barrow—"That's a dandy wheel you've got there, old man. I'll take a little spin on it some day. By the way, what kind of a wheel do you think I ought to ride?"—Marrow—"One of your own."—Brooklyn Life.

—A Game Law in Itself.—Gobang—"I think I'll do quite a little shooting this summer. I wonder what the close season is?"—Buckshot—"Well, in your case, old man, I fancy if you applied to the legislature they'd throw the whole year open to you."—Truth.

—Senatorial Courtesy.—Senator Silver—"Does the gentleman mean to say that I lie?"—Senator Fence—"The gentleman has too much regard for the courtesies of the chamber to utter the sentiment so aptly expressed by his learned friend."—Philadelphia North American.

MONEY OUT OF DATE.

Some Coins Authorized a Century Ago Not Now in Use.

Of the 23 coins authorized by the government of the United States for use as money since 1792, 11 have been found to be undesirable and their coinage discontinued. Two of the 11 were gold pieces, four were silver, and five were nickel, bronze and copper.

Trade dollars of silver were authorized in February, 1873; their coinage was limited to export demand by joint resolution July 22, 1876, and the production was prohibited by act of March 3, 1887; the total amount coined was \$35,965,924.

The old copper cent began its career in 1792 and ended it by legislative prohibition in February, 1857. Twice its weight was reduced, the first time from 264 to 208 grains, and the second time to 168 grains.

Where Our Asphalt for Street Paving Comes From.
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AN AMERICAN "TEA."

As That Function Appears Through Foreign Eyes.

A foreign newspaper has "a chiel among us takin' notes," and this is the way a San Francisco tea is described in a recent issue:

I was fortunate enough to meet with a very sweet little person, at what they call a "tea" (a form of amusement among this people), who has given me some valuable information. I chanced to be in her neighborhood, in fact, jammed up so close to her that I apologized. "Oh," she answered, amiably, "in these big affairs we are always packed in. This is the biggest and finest 'tea' of the season."

"Well, it is very evident you are a stranger in these parts. 'Friendly intercourse' is unknown among people 'in the swim.' The persons you might be able to talk to and make friends of are not to be found in society, and one can't afford to step out of it.

"Then, besides, we are all on the 'dead rush' and haven't any time. And if we had, what is there to talk about? We all go to the same places, attend the same classes, hear the same things and— Ah, how are you!"

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