

MOUNDS OF SOUTH DAKOTA.

Stone Implements and Other Evidence of a Prehistoric Settlement. An account of an exploring expedition sent out to locate surveys and delineate the prehistoric mounds of the Mississippi river valley in South Dakota is given in the St. Paul Dispatch.

The second field of mounds within this area was four miles distant and to some extent delimitated by the plow. But there were upward of 50 mounds in this field and prehistoric arrows, pottery and stone implements were found in large numbers.

AN EXPERIENCED HORSE.

Had a Thrilling Border Career and Now He is Doing Duty in Drawing. There is a horse that helps draw an omnibus from Lawrenceburg to Greenville, Ind., every day whose earlier days were in sharp contrast with his present life.

CHILDREN AND NATURE.

Very Simple Way to Escape from the Boredom of Life. When one hears of people sighing for a new sensation, and when one sees them suffering from ennui and boredom, it is a thousand pities that somebody does not point out an easy way of escape from the fashionable malady.

The Wheat King.

The wheat king of the world belongs to Argentina. He is an Italian emigrant named Guazone, and his broad acres are situated in the south of the province of Buenos Ayres.

HUNGER AS A MOTIVE.

It Is the Aladdin's Lamp of Civilization. The rovels of nature's most powerful spur, hunger, are continually reddening the flanks of the primitive community, says the Monist.

IN A KANSAS TOWN.

Differs from Other American Villages in Many Respects. Chiefly by reason of its newness and of a certain cosmopolitan aspect the Kansas town differs from villages elsewhere in the United States.

MAGAZINE RIFLES.

Weapons That Are Serviceable After Firing 9,000 Rounds. Some curious effects of the tests of the new magazine rifles in actual service are noted in Engineering.

COLOSSAL TREE IN MAINE.

Trunk is Twenty-Three Feet Around and Branches Contain Band Stands. Jay, Me., claims one of the biggest trees in Maine. It stands on the banks of the Androscoggin, on the lawn of the late Dudley Bean.

HER GREAT SECRET.

Actions Speak—He Was Willing to Read Her Mind. For many long years the young woman had called upon Ulysses, says the St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

UNTOUCHED BY FINGERS.

Berlin Bakers Employ Hygienic Methods in Bread Handling. A novel improvement in baking has been made by some of the most prominent bakers of Berlin, which is the natural consequence of the increasing tendency to employ hygienic methods.

ABOUT EYEBROWS.

They Plainly Reveal the Traits in One's Character. The whole nature of a person, according to a facologist, is indicated in the eyebrows.

ANT PIE.

Curious Insect in Mexico Regarded as a Delicacy. Savages, we know, indulge in such luxuries as grubs and locusts, but for a civilized white man to finish up his dinner with a dish of raw ants seems too nasty to be credible.

OLIVE OIL BEFORE WINE.

Then the Drinker Will Keep His Head Clear All Evening. The glasses were going round when the man who had been in the navy spoke, says the Louisville Courier-Journal.

TROPICAL TIPS.

Showing How to Make Hot Weather Endurable. A hint comes from India which is worth using in the hot summer days. Lassitude and loss of appetite are among the first evidences of the effect of the sun's heat upon the body.

RAILROADS FOR CHINA.

Millions of Dollars Being Spent to Open the Flowery Kingdom. The close of the century will have witnessed the beginning of a profound change in the industrial conditions of China and the adjacent parts of the orient.

Gifts of Great Value.

Government experts have just completed their valuation of the pictures and art treasures of one king and another bequeathed to the English nation by Lady Wallace, who during her lifetime was barred from presentation at court and subjected to much unkindly ostracism by English society.

HIS CLEVER HUSE.

How a Congressman Swells the Ranks of His Constituents. There is a member of congress who does not live a thousand miles away from Pennsylvania and New Jersey.

HIS CARD.

It Saved Him the Annoyance of Foolish Questions. The fellow who gets a two weeks' vacation usually has enough to contend with in the shortness of his holidays without being subjected to a wholesale cross-examination at the hands of his numerous solicitous friends.

PREVENTS DRUNKENNESS.

In Germany Names of Offenders Are Taken and Published Periodically. A considerable number of German towns and villages have for some time subjected the bibulous inhabitants to the regulations of a modified prohibition law.

Had a Monopoly.

John Kavanagh, the fiddler of the Klondike, before the year is over will probably be held responsible for the downfall of some scores of musicians, who, tempted by the stories of his good luck, are tracking their way to Alaska.

RICH STRIKES YEARS AGO.

Nevada City District Equaled Some of the Klondike Region Records. The city papers are the fabulous accounts of the fabulous richness of the gravel mines in the Klondike section of Alaska.

WHISKY SAVED HIS LIFE.

Mississippi Steamboat Man Preserved His Anatomy Intact. Charles Gross is a white-headed negro porter on the steamboat St. Paul, says the St. Louis Republic.

IN A LONDON HOTEL.

Conventions and Concerts That Surprise American Visitors. The American visitor to London who stops at a certain hotel in that city finds many novelties and conveniences that are not known here in America.