

GULF STREAM'S VAGARIES.

The Great Ocean River Now Charged with Carrying Europe's Cold South. A very startling piece of intelligence has just been announced by the meteorological office...

BROTHERHOOD OF SMOKERS.

Tobacco serves as a Bond of Fellowship in Every Land and China. I have been much impressed with the singular courtesy that exists between men who use tobacco...

His Choice.

Kind Lady—Do you like flowers, little boy? Little Boy—Yes. "I am glad to hear it; your love of flowers indicates a refined nature; what kind of flowers do you like most?"

SCHOOL AND CHURCH.

The United States has 107 social settlements. The rest of the world has 35. London hospital collections on hospital Sunday are divided among 86 hospitals and 35 dispensaries...

COON CATS THRIVE IN MAINE.

A Breed That Was Brought to America by Early French Settlers. Coon cat is almost an unknown term in Minneapolis except to those who claim the state of Maine as a birthplace...

Bargain Was Made.

The Coney Island museum proprietor was standing in the vestibule, when a well-garbed man accosted him. "Want to hire a freak?" asked the well-garbed man.

Thoroughly a Duke.

The duke of Richmond has the distinction of being "three times a duke." He is duke of Richmond in England, duke of Lennox in Scotland and Duke Aubigny in France...

A TALKING NEWSPAPER.

Remarkable Institution of Budapest, Hungary—Certain Classes of News at Regular Hours. The possibilities of the telephone as a news distributor are not utilized in this country except on special occasions...

Spanish Surveys Worthless.

A writer demonstrates the worthlessness of Spanish surveys in the Philippines by the case of the Manila & Dagupan railroad, some 120 miles long, the only railroad on the islands...

Why the Lights Are Low.

Love may be able to see something laughable in the locksmith, but it is blind to the interests of the gas company.—Chicago Daily News.

CURIOUS BANK IN PARIS.

One That Lent Money to Impenitent Gamblers—"Fox Hunter" and Did Not Last. Disaster has overtaken an institution which, in the fond intention of its founders, was to save the unappreciated literary genius from the horrors of impetuosity...

MEDICAL DRUMMERS.

The Study of Bacteria Has Brought into Prominence a New Profession. The pursuit of bacterial antidotes seems to be stimulated by a circumstance which has had rather an unfortunate influence upon the dignity and fair fame of medical science...

When He Is a Daddy.

Singleton—It ought to be an easy matter to raise children properly. Volumes have been written giving diagrams and specifications as to how they should be trained.

Celestial Costumes.

Husband—I wonder what we shall wear in Heaven. Wife—Well, if you get there, John, I imagine most of us will wear surprised looks.—Smart Set.

DOCTORS AND EDITORS.

One of the Down-trodden Scribes Unleashes His Opinion of the Medical Profession. The doctors are all friends of ours, says the Iowa Medical Journal. We expect them to stay with us until death...

PRETTY THINGS TO WEAR.

New Novelties in the Millinery Line for the Summer Season. Floral toques and small hats are gaining in popularity. A dainty hat of violets, closely clustered without leaves...

Rice in Mutton Stew.

The ordinary lamb or mutton stew will be found to be much improved if thickened with rice. The rice absorbs any excess of fat in the meat, preserving the richness while eliminating all greasy taste.

Strawberry Junket.

A dainty dish for luncheon or dessert. Make plain junket flavored with sherry or vanilla and fill sherbet glasses two-thirds full and set in refrigerator to chill.

STEAMBOAT IN THE WOODS.

Kansas Man's Story of a Captain Who Cut Through the Timber During a June Rice. "Did you ever notice?" asked an observing man, according to the Chicago Tribune, "that when an unusual event occurs anywhere there is always somebody who is reminded of an event which overshadows the news of the day?"

REJECTED TWENTY-ONE TIMES.

Manuscript of "Helen's Babies" Received Very Poor Treatment Before Final Acceptance. The manuscripts of various successful books have been declined by publishers before finally reaching a resting place...

WOMEN LIGHTHOUSE KEEPERS.

An Occupation for Which the Gentler Sex Is Especially Adapted. Keeping a lighthouse is essentially womanly work. A well regulated woman takes pride in bright, well-kept things and orderly surroundings.

World's Biggest Horn.

Pennsylvania possesses the biggest horn in the world. It is in the town of Williamsport. Frank Byers, of that town, is the only man who can blow it.