

few feeble rays were already struggling through the rift it had made.

'Yes, Mary,' he answered, softly, and I heard it said more than once, what a good wife Andrew Lee must have.

Mrs. Lee turned her face towards her husband. There was light in it, and light in her eyes. But there was something in the expression of the countenance that a little puzzled him.

'Do you think so?' she asked, quite soberly. 'What a question!' ejaculated Andrew Lee, starting up, and going round to the side of the table where his wife was sitting.

'What a question, Mary!' he repeated, as he stood before her. 'Do you.'

'It was all she said.

'Yes, darling,' was his warmly spoken answer, as he stepped down and kissed her.

'How strange that you should ask such a question.'

'If you would only tell me so, now and then, Andrew, it would do me good.'

And Mrs. Lee rose, and leaning her face against the manly breast of her husband, stood and wept.

What a strong light broke in upon the mind of Andrew Lee. He had never given even to his wife the small reward of praise for all the loving interest she had manifested, until doubt of her thick darkness. No wonder that her face grew clouded, nor that what he considered innocuous and ill-natured took possession of her spirit.

'You are good and true, Mary, my own dear wife, I am proud of you—I love you—and my first desire is your happiness. Oh, if I could always see your face in the sunshine my home would be the dearest place on earth.'

How precious to me are your words of love and praise, Andrew, said Mrs. Lee, smiling up through her tears in her face. With them in my ears, my heart can never lie in the shadow.

How easy had been the work of Andrew Lee. He had swept his hand across the cloudy horizon of his home, and now the bright sunshine was streaming down and flooding that home with joy and beauty.

AN ARTICLE FOR THE SEASON.

INTERESTING TO EVERYBODY.

This is the season of poetry. Sentiment thaws out with the snow, and expands with the early flowers. The press grows eloquent on the tender grass, the unfolding buds, and other vernal vegetables. But with all this elevation of the spirit, there are many afflictions of the flesh. Appetite, over-stimulated by the stringent cold of winter, subject the weak stomach to dyspepsia, and the liver to an overflow of bile. The blood is over-rich, and among the consequences are boils, eruptions, and other external disorders. It health is a sad drawback to our enjoyment of the glories of nature, and therefore it is as well, in advance of the fervid heats of summer, to purify the fluids of the body, give tone and energy to the digestive powers, and remove from the superficial vessels those acrid humors which sometimes produce a species of efflorescence, much less agreeable than that of the orchard or parterre.

Under these circumstances, we cannot better serve the dyspeptic or plethoric reader, or, in fact, any reader who is out of health or has had a promontory warning of coming sickness, than by advising him (or her) to have recourse to Holloway's famous remedies. Whatever may be the source of the difficulty, in whatever portion of the system the seed of disease may be entrenched, Holloway's Pills will surely reach the locality, and extinguish the disorder in its elementary stage. They are pre-emptory messengers that will not be denied access to the most intricate windings of the internal organization, and which no principle inimical to health in any part of the human machine can successfully resist. This may seem a sweeping assertion, but there is a mass of authentic testimony to fall back upon which will fully sustain it. It is a familiar aphorism that "what everybody says must be true," and it is beyond controversy that the majority of christendom use and praise Holloway's remedies. War demands his Ointment for its maimed victims, and Peace requires it for her chapter of accidents. He who keeps by him both his Pills and Ointment, as standard household remedies, may say with Cato, though in a different sense—

"Thus am I doubly armed!"

We believe in being fore-armed against disease and casualties, as far as possible. Some years ago a man was bitten by a cobra di capella in the Surrey Zoological gardens, in London. A preparation had been provided which was said to be a certain antidote to the poison of this serpent; but it was not at hand, and the poor fellow was dead before the remedy could be found. We mention this fact to illustrate the necessity of having Holloway's Pills and Ointment always within reach. That they are specific for nine-tenths of the diseases of the human race seems to be a fact established by conclusive proofs; and if so, the propriety of keeping them where they may be always made available on the instant, must be obvious to the head of every family.—Cincinnati Sun.

A MOST STRANGE CASE.—A correspondent writes us from Waterloo, Iowa, asking if we know one Edgar Burnham, and of his history.

We do; and as it is a strange, true one, known to hundreds, we give it in the Democrat, as it is, that we may correct some errors into which we have fallen. Eight years ago, when we were engaged as city editor to a Milwaukee paper, there lived in this State an editor named Powell, now connected with a Chicago paper, we think. He is, unless he has quit it lately.

In 1862, Powell was married to a Miss Ellen Burnham of Broadhead, Wis., after a courtship of some months. Miss Burnham's parents were old residents of Broadhead, and of high respectability, the daughter-taught music, had a large number of pupils, and was very attractive. Powell lived as husband for two years, she being all the time a good wife in all respects, treating him but one child. At the expiration of two years, when about 21 years of age, Mrs. Powell's voice changed, she grew thin and pale, and gradually changed her sex, developing into a man in all respects, as if nature, anxious for a foal, had turned a portion of herself inside out.

The husband and wife separated when the wife became a man, and Mrs. Ellen Powell took the name of Edgar Burnham, donned male attire, sought and obtained employment as a clerk in Chicago, and lived there a single man for one year.

During this time he fell in love with a niece of Senator Morgan, of New York, but did not marry her. But about the end of the year he did marry a young lady of Broadhead, Wis., a Miss Gerta Everett, who was a music pupil of his when he was Miss Ellen Burnham, over three years previous to the marriage. This second marriage was about two years ago. Soon after this marriage, "Edgar" Burnham and wife removed to Waterloo, where they now reside, or did not long since.

The former wife is now a man; the former wife is now a husband, the former mother is now a father; the former young lady, teacher of a young lady, is now that young lady's husband. Truth is, indeed, stranger than fiction, and the above simple statement of facts borders so upon the marvelous we could not believe it did not personally know all the parties.—Wisconsin paper.

TELEGRAPHING IN THE TROPICS.—An English publication contains some curious particulars concerning telegraphing in the tropics, from which we extract the following facts. "In India, the condition of the country renders a different method of constructing telegraph wire necessary. Traversing, as the wires do, dense jungles and forests swarming with birds and animals, it is necessary to make the wires very much stronger than we do in this country. They are, in fact, small bars of iron, three-eighths of an inch in thickness. An amount of rigidity is thus obtained which is necessary to meet the requirements of the country. The bars of iron are placed on the tops of bamboo at a sufficient height to allow the country carts to pass underneath them, and even to give passage to loaded elephants. The size of these conducting bars is necessitated by the heavy rain which fall in the wet seasons in India. Even in England, the rain dripping in a stream from the telegraph wire to the post is sufficient to stop the working of the wire, inasmuch as the electric current escapes directly to the earth, and is then dispersed. The same rule that obtains in one dependency will obtain in all tropical countries, and deviations from the European method of constructing electric telegraphs will be necessitated. In all countries where thunder-storms are frequent, and where dense fogs prevail, it is necessary at times to have increased latencies power; in order to drive the current through the storm. When a thunder-storm runs along the wires from station to station, and does great damage to the finer parts of the working apparatus. If such mishaps occasionally occur in these temperate regions, what must have to be provided against in the Indian monsoon! Lightning conductors in such countries are necessary at various parts of the line to conduct to the earth the unwelcome visitor, which, in the most temperate climates, is sufficient to reverse the polarity of the needles.

IN ENGLAND there is a system of switches employed resembling those on railways, by the use of which one wire can be put in communication with any other, instead of the direct one it is usually placed in communication with. In this manner a thunder storm which interferes with the working may be escaped, and a circuitous route, free from the passing storm secured. Fogs are dodged in the same ingenious manner, a divergence in the route of a hundred miles or so causing no loss of time, inasmuch as the speed of telegraphic communication is equal, at least, to the speed with which light travels.

SOLOMON'S TEMPLE EXHIBED.—The London Times publishes an interesting letter in regard to the discoveries at Jerusalem, from which we select the following:—"The colossal foundations of the temple walls, which are stones of test cuttings, and stones of eight cubits, laid by Solomon or his successors on the throne, are now being laid bare at the enormous depth of 90 feet and more beneath the present surface. The bridge that once spanned the ravine between the palace of Zion and the temple of Astarte is now proved to have been upwards of 150 feet high. It is by, as it seems, the ascent to the floor of the Lord which Solomon showed to the Queen of Sheba, we cannot wonder that on seeing it there was no spirit within her. The pinnacle of the temple on which the temple placed the Saviour has just been discovered to the base, and is found still to have an elevation of 155 feet. The statement of Josephus is therefore no exaggeration. If anyone looked from the battlements into the valley he would be giddy, while his sight could not reach to such an immense depth. Sections of the ancient wall of Ophel have been examined,

south-east angle of the Temple. Aqueducts, cisterns, rock-hewn channels and passages have also been discovered within and around the harem, throwing new light on the buildings, the arrangements, and the services of the Temple. The great work of complete exploration of ancient Jerusalem is thus fairly and auspiciously commenced. The opportune visit of the Sultan and Grand Vizier to this country, and the representations made to the latter by the Archbishop of York, followed up as they have been by the emperor, the wisdom, and tact of Lieut Varnu and his admirable staff, have smoothed down Moslem prejudice, removed local opposition, and thus brought about opportunities for exploration and excavation such as never occurred before; and besides, large numbers of Arab laborers have been trained to the work, and are eager to be employed; and the exact points for successful explorations are now quite well known.

The Herald.

Wednesday, February 12, 1868.

THE ST. PETER'S ELECTION

It is now over, and those who fancied they had sufficient influence to divide the electors and defeat the Queen's Printer, have had their eyes opened to the bitter fact that they are not half such clever and influential fellows as they took themselves to be. Whatever lies and fraud could accomplish to defeat us, was attempted, but in vain. The people stood true to us, and returned us by a majority of two hundred and fifty votes or so over our opponent, Mr. McEwen. This gentleman was undoubtedly made a fool of by a few designing individuals with ulterior designs on the District—sleek-faced characters with black hearts, and great pretensions of liberality. He must now remember our advice to him at Georgetown, and thank us for sincerity, whilst his advisers, we doubt not, are doing penance in sackcloth and ashes for their stupidity in cutting a switch to be applied to their own backs in due time. From the very outset of the contest, we had not the slightest doubt as to the result of the election. Our only dread was that the people, harassed with three elections within one year, and despising the factious opposition which was being raised against us, might not come to the polls at all. This proved true to a certain extent, which accounts for the deficiency in the vote of the District by some one hundred and fifty votes. The expatriating and insulting proceeding of swearing voters was, for the first time within twenty years, adopted at St. Peter's on the 4th instant; but even this poor dodge could only obtain for Mr. McEwen, at the largest polling division in the District, the paltry number of forty-three votes.

The contest has done good in more ways than one. It has demonstrated the strength of the people, and proved their incorruptible, unpretensible character, and that they were more successful than themselves, vicariously altered the result of the election. They found us true upon the question of Confederation. Every promise we had made we endeavored to fulfill; and they have declared themselves satisfied to give us a fair trial for three years to come. We promise them that, whilst in our keeping, their interests will never be betrayed. We now return them our sincere and heartfelt thanks for their independent and manly support in the hour of trial, and for the magnificent demonstration which they have celebrated their triumph on the day after the election—a demonstration of which they and we may well feel proud, and which will long be remembered in the Second District of King's County. 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