

Two Pictures.

An old farmhouse, with pastures wide, Sweet flowers on every side; A restless lad who looks from out The porch, with woodbine twined about; Wishes a thought from his heart: O, if I only could depart From this dull place, the world to see, Ah me! how happy I would be!

Amid the city's ceaseless din, A man who round the world has been, Who, mid the tumult and the throng, Is thinking, wishing, all day long: O, could I only tread once more The field-path to the farmhouse door, The old green meadows could I see, Ah me! how happy would I be!

Mr. Bonner's Opinion.

HIS IDEAS ON CLIPPING, NICKING AND RACING HORSES.

Mr. Robert Bonner said to an interviewer recently: "I do not think Mr. Bergh understands what he is talking about when he states that clipping is a cruel and senseless practice—the device of lazy groomers. There is not a horseman who does not know directly to the contrary. Prof. William Williams, a professor in the Edinburgh Veterinary College, and one of the best known authorities on the horse, advocates clipping and says: 'I have seen the lives of many valuable horses saved by timely clipping.' Clipping is unnecessary to a horse with a fine light coat, if he has been kept to work all summer and autumn and has been well groomed. If, however, he has been allowed to run on grass a few weeks and has not felt the curry-comb he needs clipping, for his coat has become heavy. Some horses have such fine light coats that they never need clipping. Old Dexter never was clipped, neither was Edwin Forrest. They did not need it." "Mr. Bergh begs horse-owners not to nick the tails of their horses," said the interviewer. "Do you object to nicking?"

"I know very little about it. It was seldom done to road horses, being mostly confined to saddle backs and cabs. It has grown entirely out of fashion. No man with a valuable horse would nick him. But I know so little about it that I can't venture an opinion. You may rest assured of one thing however, and it is this: No man owning a valuable horse is going to risk him through abuse or poor care. Here, for instance, I have paid \$40,000 for Maud S., the most valuable horse in the world, \$36,000 for Rarus, \$55,000 for Dexter, \$35,000 for Pocahontas, \$16,000 for Edwin Forrest, and so on. Do you think I would have any one of these horses clipped if I was not perfectly sure that clipping was good for him! It is a question of money to a man."

"You have noticed, doubtless," said the reporter, "that Mr. Bergh declares that speeding horses is cruel and inhuman. He denies that horses enter into the spirit of the sport."

"All bosh. A horse, if he is not a lazy beast, takes much interest in his own performances. If you are driving a three minute horse and a 2.40 animal comes up along-side to pass you, you will notice your horse prick up his ears and stretch his neck out in an endeavor to keep ahead. That is ambition. No sensible man, assuredly no horseman, gives his horse more than he can do. The Maud S., for instance, last week Blair put her in training again. He didn't push her, of course. That would be dangerous for any animal. Every one knows that neither man nor beast should be put to exertion suddenly. Well, the first day the mare trotted a mile in 2.44 and another in 2.28. Two days later she did a mile in 2.37 and another in 2.25, and on Friday a mile in 2.21, another in 2.25, and a third in 2.14. When Blair drove up he said that he could easily have made a fast mile with Maud S., but he thought best to do it easily. Mr. Hubbard, of the Hartford Courant, was with me and witnessed her performance. She was not distressed after her trot. She can do her 2.09 in comparative comfort, and it is not cruel to put her to it."

A Remarkable Woman.

There has lately died at Benares, Northern India, Anna, widow of Gen. James Kennedy, of the Bengal cavalry. She was in her ninety-seventh year, having been born in 1787, and she lived to see no fewer than 176 lineal descendants, of whom 128 survive her. She had eighteen children, eighty grandchildren, seventy-three great grandchildren. Her father, husband, two sons, one son-in-law, and the four grandsons have been generals in the army, and her descendants include many military officers of lower rank. She was married at fifteen, was never out of India for a single day, spent all her life in the plains except once when she paid a brief visit to the hills, the climate of which disagreed with her. Her husband died a quarter of a century ago, at the age of eighty-two, after fifty-five years of married life.

Mr. Oscar Wilde now favors the abolition of the coat and waistcoat, and has pronounced himself in favor of the rustic smock-frock.

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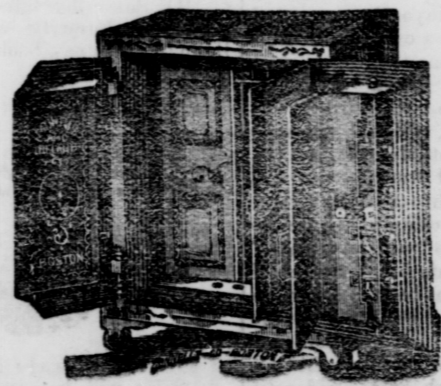
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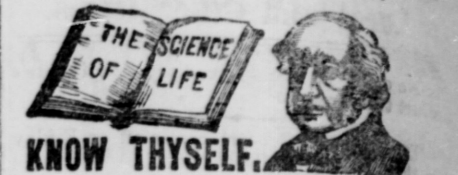
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