

FRIDAY, JUNE 2, 1905.

THE PLAINS OF YUHA

SOME OF THE CURIOSITIES OF THE COLORADO DESERT.

Graves Each of Which Tells a Story of Tragedy of Heat, Thirst and Death—Old Stones and Shells That Strew the Barren Region.

There is a section of the Colorado desert where nature has left some remarkable records. She has visited the region alternately with fire and water and has left it with neither.

The plain now lies nearly a hundred feet below the level of the sea, and the rocks of the plain and the bases of the mountains are washed and eroded in a wonderful manner.

For instance, one passes through a region which by its name the cabbage patch, for it presents the appearance of a field of those vegetables which have turned to stone.

Another locality is devoted almost exclusively to dinner plates. Thousands of rounded, thin disks are scattered over the plain or are piled scores deep in singular piles, each piece shaped exactly like the crockery which adorns our tables and quite as thin and symmetrical.

Another section of this truly wonderful region is given almost wholly to dumbbells. These vary in size from plumps weighing one or two pounds up to those seemingly calculated for exercising the muscles of a giant and weighing thirty or forty pounds each.

There is in this plain an arsenal also. While guns and swords and bayonets and powder were not there to be found, there are thousands of cannon balls varying in size from two and three inch balls to those fit for the big thirteen inch guns of modern warfare.

In one portion of Yuha rise two hills or small mountains. One might mistake them for the remains of ancient craters, but when he approaches the eminences he discovers them to be monuments to an ancient life—the records of species now extinct. They are shell mountains, great beds of prehistoric bivalves which left stranded when that ancient sea swept back from the region and left a dry and desolate land.

One of these mountains, the large one, is composed wholly of large rough shells, much larger, but less elongated, than the shells of the modern oyster, which in some respects they so much resemble as to lead to the suspicion that they are the remains of the ancestors of our much prized bivalve.

The lesser hill is composed of tiny shells of a prehistoric type of brachiopoda. Like the larger shells, they are found except on the surface in an undisturbed state, both valves of nearly every shell being found in position. Although the mollusk dwellers of these shells vanished several centuries ago, so perfect are the shells one almost expects when he opens the valve of the shell to find the living creature within.

Reproduction. Millions of years had passed. Birds had succeeded to the supremacy formerly held by man.

Filling the Prescription. Judge—What were you doing in the henhouse, Sambo? Sambo—Well—er—Judge, mah missus wah feelin' poby.

Tomato Support. "By using a single stake for tomato plants if a trellis or other support is inconvenient for each plant, simply drive a stout stake about four feet into the ground and set out a tomato plant at each stake."

The Cavities. "Name the cavities," said a school-teacher to a small boy, according to the Chicago Inter Ocean. The boy was very round.

He Had to Laugh. "I had to laugh the other day?"—"You don't mean you were absolutely compelled to, do you?"—"That's just what I mean."

Signature. "What is the signature of the man who signed that?"—"That's the signature of the man who signed that."

Business Local. "I am going to the city to see the doctor."

Patents. "I have a patent for a new kind of hat."

COLOR OF THE SUN.

What Would Happen if It Were Other Than What It Is.

A German astronomer has published some interesting observations on the theoretical effects of a change in the color of the sun. It is amazing to consider the possibilities if our sun were green, blue or red instead of what it is.

In the event of the sun being red, roses, blood, red ink and all other things that are now red would reflect black.

So also would snow, the lily and all things that are now white, but these would, of course, be red.

THE BAYEUX TAPESTRY.

An Extraordinary Work of Art of Great Historic Value.

Few besides those who have visited Bayeux or have especially studied the subject have any idea of what this extraordinary work of art is really like or have any authentic knowledge of its history.

The vicissitudes of the treasure have been many. It is a curious fact that from 1470 until 1724 it seems to have dropped entirely out of the world's knowledge.

The church had no power to protect such a treasure in 1724, and the ancient length of linen with its quaint embroidery was dragged out of the cathedral and used to cover one of the military wagons belonging to the local battalion.

A correspondent of a contemporary who has been searching for the most monotonous method of earning a living decides in favor of that of cracking eggs.

The Bishop's Gaiters. An amusing story is told of Dr. Gore. He was once walking in the street when two little boys were attacked by his black episcopal gaiters.

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A New Lot of Ladies', Misses', and Children's Shoes. Good lot of Infants' Shoes. Lot of Infants' Socks and Soft Sole Shoes.

THE UNDER MARRIAGE. Wedding Customs and Follies That Preval in Holland. In Holland two weeks before a marriage takes place cards are sent out declaring that the banns have been published.

Breaking Eggs For a Living. A correspondent of a contemporary who has been searching for the most monotonous method of earning a living decides in favor of that of cracking eggs.

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PATENTS. Anyone sending a sketch and description may quickly ascertain our opinion free whether an invention is probably patentable.

Western Maryland Railroad MAIN LINE Schedule in Effect February 27th, 1905. Table with columns for Stations, Read Downward, and Read Upward.

Emmitsburg District. Notary Public—W. H. Troxell. Justices of the Peace—Henry Stokes, Millard F. Shuff.

Churches. Rev. Lutheran Church. Pastor—Rev. A. M. Gluck. Every Sunday morning at 10 o'clock and every other Sunday evening at 7 o'clock.

Societies. Emerald Pencil Association. Officers: President, Edwin Chisner; Vice-President, J. J. Howard.

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