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NIGHTINGALES.

"Beautiful must be the mountains whence ye come, And bright in the fruitful valleys the streams wherofrom

Ye learn your song. "Where are those starry woods? Oh, might I wander there Among the flowers which in that heavenly air Bloom the year long."

"Nay, barren are those mountains and spent the streams. Our song is the voice of desire that haunts our dreams—

A throes of the heart Whose pining visions dim, forbidden hopes profound, No dying cadence nor long sigh can sound For all our art.

"Alone aloof in the raptured ear of men We pour our dark nocturnal secret, and then, As night is withdrawn From these sweet springing meads and bursting boughs of May, Dream while the innumerable choir of day Welcomes the dawn."

—Robert Bridges.

A Turkish Wedding.

An artistic mistress of the ceremonies, being congratulated on the success with which she had managed the details of an English wedding, remarked impatiently that there had been one blot on the scene—namely, the bridegroom. She only wished it could have been arranged for him and his black coat to remain outside in the brougham till the thing was over.

Had she received an invitation to a Turkish wedding, as once by good luck did a party of English ladies, among whom was the writer of the present sketch, her wish might have been gratified, as it is quite possible to attend such a function without even catching a passing glimpse of the crimson fez of the husband elect.

The latter spends the hours of his bridal day in getting married to himself—that is, he visits the priest and the notary, takes out and signs his marriage contract, attends a religious service at the mosque, partakes of a sumptuous breakfast with his friends, and as the ceremonies cover a considerable portion of the week I should not be surprised to hear that during the time he even goes on a wedding tour in solitude and on his own account.—London Graphic.

A Searching Examination.

A sailor who desired to re-enlist in the service of the navy for a cruise was rejected by the examining board for defective eyesight. He had made a good record, and naval academy officers, including the surgeons who had been compelled to make an unfavorable report in his case, interested themselves in his behalf. He finally went to Washington and armed with the recommendations from the naval academy urged his claims before the surgeon general. "Do you see the Washington monument out that window?" asked that official. "Yes, sir," promptly replied the sailor. To test his eyesight as well as his honesty another question was propounded. "See that sparrow on the top of the monument?" Without hesitation the sailor replied. "No, sir." "Neither do I,"

added the chief examining officer. "Your eyesight seems to be good enough, and I shall at once order your reinstatement in the navy."—Baltimore Sun.

Pickwick Revived.

In a coroner's court in London recently the following conversation, which reads as if taken directly from Dickens, occurred:

"What's your name, sir?" inquired the judge.

"Sam Weller, my lord," replied that gentleman.

"Do you spell it with a V or a W?" inquired the judge.

"That depends upon the taste and fancy of the speller, my lord," replied Sam. "I never had occasion to spell it more than once or twice in my life, but I spells it with a V."

Here a voice in the gallery exclaimed aloud: "Quite right, too, Samivel." Put it down a we, my lord, put it down a we."—New York Press.

Dressing For a Picture.

In dressing to have one's photograph taken it may be useful to know that dark brown, dark green, garnet and plain, dead finish black will take a deep drab. Glossy silks of the same colors will take much brighter. Golden brown, dark gray, scarlet, cherry, orange, crimson and slate will also be reproduced as dark, rich drab. All the shades of blue and pink will take very light and should be avoided.—New York News.

The Wonderful Congo.

The Congo is the most wonderful waterway in the world. It is 25 miles across in parts, so that vessels may pass one another and yet be out of sight. It has twice the extent of the navigable waters of the Mississippi and its tributaries and three times its population.—Philadelphia Press.

In 1890 the girdle makers' trade was an important industry in every part of Europe. Girdles were the fashion for ladies of rank, whose position was shown by the girdle. This article was of leather adorned with gold or precious stones and was often 12 inches wide.

The Red sea is supposed by some to have derived its name from the large quantities of red coral and pink colored fuci which it yields, but the name is with more probability derived from the ancient Idumaea, "sea of Edom." Edom signifying red.

The age of whales is ascertained by the size and number of laminae of the whalebone, which increase yearly. Ages of 300 and 400 years have been assigned to whales from these indications.

In China the name Chang is pronounced "Jong," with the long sound on the "a." This may account for the nickname "John" as applied to Chinamen.

Many a coffin is covered with roses by hands that never before gave its occupant anything but thorns.

Korean Use For Human Hair.

Human hair is in great demand in some of the countries of Europe, and the supply is said to be inadequate. Our consul in Korea points out that there is plenty and to spare in the Hermit Kingdom. "The Koreans," he adds, "have remarkably fine heads of hair, and they put their 'combs' to a use that I have never seen elsewhere. A very large number of the saddlecloths placed under the packs of their ponies are made of hair woven into coarse mats or bags, and the halters and head ropes of their animals are largely composed of the same material. I believe that human hair is largely exported from China to Europe, and Korea could furnish a large and cheap supply did the people know there was a demand for it." Here's a chance for some pioneer of commerce.—Westminster Gazette.

Mines of Petrifications.

North Colorado and parts of Wyoming and Montana are genuine mines of petrifications. There are petrifications of every kind, including many varieties of wood, ferns and plants, fish, toads, snails, frogs, serpents, shellfish and objects which cannot be classified. The deposits often occur in layers, as though some great natural convulsion had destroyed the animal life of a whole district at once. The scientists make very few and tolerably weak attempts to explain the singular phenomenon, and the fact is evident that they know no more about the matter than do the men who pick out the best specimens and sell them to tourists.—Chicago Herald.

Nantucket Ahead.

Claimants for priority are constantly getting into trouble by making statements founded on insufficient premises. Referring to the mention by a Boston paper that a lady candidate for overseer of the poor at Dedham was the first of her sex to aspire to that office, the Nantucket Inquirer says: "Nantucket elected a lady overseer a year ago—Mrs. Malinda S. Barney—and again in 1894 has re-elected the same lady and another—Mrs. Susan P. Jones. So Nantucket is a year ahead and proud of the step she took."

There was a winemakers' union in Rome B. C. 54. They had regular meetings at which they discussed the best methods of concentrating wine so as to reduce it to a sirup and finally to a solid cake, in which form it was often preserved for many years.

Dr. P. Fuerbringer of Berlin praises the peanut as a food rich in albumen and advises its use in soup or mush. Peanuts are especially valuable, he says, in kidney diseases, in which animal albumen must be avoided.

A law enacted in Germany requires that all drugs intended for internal use be put up in round bottles, while those for external use shall be put up in hexagonal bottles.

A woman or a man with a careless expression and a manner of repose always looks years younger than the birth register gives out.

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