

Smallest Monarchy.
The smallest monarchy in the world is the kingdom of the Cooks, a group of islands near Hawaii. These islands were discovered about 100 years ago by the captain of the Keeling, but were comparatively little known till 1825, when Mr. Ross, an Englishman, visited them, was struck by their beauty, and took up his abode there. It is his grandson, Mr. George Ross, who now holds sway over the Cooks.

Saving by Metric System.
The United States Statistician says two-thirds of a school year would be saved by American boys and girls by putting the metric system in place of the other twelve or thirteen systems. Carry the enormous saving of time into the counting-houses of the country, into all kinds of calculations from the farm to the factory, and a fairly good idea is obtained of what the metric system would save—Ex-change.

Instruction for Fishermen.
There are now in Belgium four schools for the instruction of fisherman. The pupils are taught how to read weather charts, how to make the best use of currents, what is the bottom of the sea is like, how to make their own nets, how to manage a boat in a storm, how to use the latest inventions in the line of fishing apparatus, etc. There are about 250 pupils now in these schools.

Advantages of Postal Parcel Law.
The farmer today, when he wishes to buy, hitches up a pair of horses drives four or five miles and makes a few purchases. If the United States had the postal parcel-law of Austria Hungary the farmer would draw a postal check, mail it, and the merchant would deliver the goods to the postoffice, and a few hours later they would be in the hands of the farmer.

When It Was Cold.
People who are interested in extremes may like to know that the lowest temperature ever recorded in the world was 90.4 below zero, at Werchansk, Central Siberia, Jan. 15, 1855, and the highest, 127.4 in, in Algeria, July 17, 1878. The lowest temperature ever recorded in New York City was 6 below zero.

It's An Awful Disease.
An American physician has discovered that the blues are only a form of splanchic neurasthenia due to intra-abdominal venous congestion. Now if that doesn't make a patient with the blues bluer than he was before he could be jolly with hyperpnea, or with metaplasia of the epithelium.

Seeks Aid for Huguenots.
The committee for the extension of the Protestant faith in France and Belgium has sent a delegation to this country to solicit aid for the needy Huguenot and Walloon churches of those countries, the membership of which numbers about two million.

Largest Burial Mound.
The largest of the burial mounds built by the aborigines in America is the Cahokia, situated eight miles west of the Mississippi river, between the mouth of the Missouri and St. Louis, which is 100 feet high, 1,000 feet long and 700 feet wide.

Japan's Ambition.
One of the greatest ambitions that Japan has conceived since the beginning of her modern era is to become a first-class commercial power in the Pacific, and she has treated her international commerce in ten years.

Fishermen's Supplication.
The fishermen for the Maxcon wireless telegraph stations in England have petitioned parliament to take it away, because it, they allege, produces the deluge descending upon them.

Die for Husband's Disgrace.
An attack of the Japanese in London says that he knows personally of five women who committed suicide because their husbands disgraced themselves in the army.

Antique Drinking Cup.
A drinking cup, pronounced by the British museum to be 2,000 years old, has been found in a field at Stirlingfield, Essex. It is now in the Chelmsford museum.

Spanish Religious Literature.
All the religious literature used by Protestants in Spanish-speaking countries is published at the Methodist publishing house, Nashville, Tenn.

High Price For Snuff Box.
At a sale of miniatures and snuff boxes at Christie's, in London, a fine XV century gold snuff box by Hans Holbein brought \$1,000.

Dying Words.
"Throw up the window that I may once more see the reflection of nature," were the dying words of Rossini.

Sign of the Door Key.
When a door key is hung up outside a house in Sweden it is a sign that the family is not at home.

Parian Ornaments.
Small birds and other brilliant ornaments as ornaments with Parian dance.

English Farm Lands.
Farm land in England ranges in price from \$100 to \$1,000 an acre.

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HEARD IN THE PADDOCK.
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It is not elevated a woman to always take sides against her own sex.—Philadelphia Bulletin.

It is hardly necessary to say that the New York lawyer who insisted on having a personal assessment paid was a worrier. Few men can ever hope to rise to such sublime moral heights.

Our esteemed contemporary, the London Family Doctor says, an atmosphere of noise produces cerebral hyperaemia, which, we either, as something very bad. Will parliament please adjourn?

The witness in a New York divorce court who testified, referring to a lady in the case: "I have seen her smoke as many as five cigarettes at a time," probably meant successively, not simultaneously.

A public library looks well in any town, but a bank robbery makes more talk.

Necessity was the mother of many inventions which afterwards became obligations.

Der man 'ot starts out to best der boss generally finishes by kicking himself.

Lives of great men all remind us we are somehow kidding without getting rich first.

The Hon. Yi Yank H, who used to rule Korea, never could read or write and now he can't even make his mark.

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UNITED PRESBYTERIAN—Rev. M. M. Hall, Pastor. Morning services at 9 A. M. Public worship and sermon at 10:30 A. M. Ep. Ep. League at 8:00 P. M. All invited.

BAPTIST—W. Green, L. Rogers, Pastors. Sunday school at 10:30 A. M. and 7:00 P. M. Prayer meeting at 7:30 P. M. P. C. at 8:00 P. M. Prayer meeting on Thursday evening at 7:30 P. M.

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