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A DEEP PROBLEM

It is a "problem," my dearie? A hard nut to crack? I know! But "never say die," my dearie. Whenever you find it so. For every task well done, dear, makes the next one easier. You begin with simple addition. You may one day measure a star.

DREAM TO COME TRUE

The hunt for gold has, during all the ages, led the seekers into strange places. Adventure and peril have clustered thick about the gold hunters who went afield for nature's precious product. But stranger by far has been the hunt of those who, first with the aid of charms and incantations, and later by the increased knowledge of alchemy, have sought to transmute the base metals into gold.

For cycle on cycle men have pursued this golden quest. The world has been stirred time and again by the proclamation of the secret's discovery. Only recently a great scientist, Sir William Ramsay, announced a discovery that brought up anew the old search of the alchemists. In his marvelous laboratory, Ramsay has succeeded in breathing down into a series of elements a gas that has heretofore been considered an element in itself, incapable of further reduction. That, he believes, may point the way for the change of other matter supposed to be unchangeable into a different form.

The old question arose at once: Did this mean that metals might be transmuted, that lead might be changed into gold? "I do not know," this modern wizard declared, "it may mean such a possibility, though the probability of the process would be too great to make it worth while."

The same sentiment in the transmission of elements has been achieved by another Englishman working apart from Ramsay, Frank Norman Collins, director of the chemical laboratory of the University of London and professor of organic chemistry, took a similar path in his medium in reaching the same goal which Ramsay gained by the use of radium. Since the outcome of the experiment was the same, Prof. Collins, less conservative than his colleague, has expressed himself with enthusiasm.

"We have now reached a stage," he said, "wherein it will be possible to transmute any element, provided the energy is able to generate sufficient energy. It is very likely that the near future will see the dream of the alchemist fulfilled. But we are just on the fringe of the subject. Where this leads to, eventually nobody is able to guess."

These are the very latest bulletins of the search for gold in the laboratory. The earliest have come from so far back in history that the dates are lost in the mists of years. Tradition says that the birthplace of alchemy was the ancient Chinese Empire. If so, that is the only credit that China receives, for the very name of the science is thought to have been derived from "Chem," the ancient name of Egypt, and the Arabian word "Al" meaning "the." It is certain that alchemy first thrived and then gained a place as a "Divine Science" in the land of the Pharaohs.

The work that was done in those early days in the effort to discover nature's secret of gold making was almost entirely in the hands of the wise men of Alexandria, Persia and Egyptians. They were the hermits and monks who lived and worked in the tiny cells of the monastic University, and they had but two aims in life: one was the discovery of the art of creating gold and the other the composing of an elixir of life which would allow them to enjoy the gold forever. Neither purpose was fulfilled, although books without number were written by these seekers telling of processes by which unlimited wealth and eternal life might be gained.

In the early days Hermes Trismegistus was one of the greatest practitioners of the "Black Art." His teaching spread through Greece, the Roman Empire and Asia as the alchemist's creed. One of those was Zosimus the Theban, who wrote in a perfect fog of words purporting to explain the art of making gold. There were many who wondered how great his wealth might be if he would only explain this art himself. Doubtless it brought him great wealth, but only from the performance of miracles and the sale of formulas which no one could understand.

These magicians passed to the regions of Europe but their doubts found the secret they sought so long in life, but the search on earth went mostly in vain. The Roman Emperor, Gallienus, was told by his wise man that gold might be produced from opium (leopard's arsenic), his expenditure such gold in extensive experiments, but got none in return. Diocletian, emperor of the world, had a similar quest, and when he failed ordered all the Egyptian books on alchemy that could be found to be burned. He expended much gold in extensive experiments, but got none in return. Diocletian, emperor of the world, had a similar quest, and when he failed ordered all the Egyptian books on alchemy that could be found to be burned.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children. The Kind You Have Always Bought. Bears the Signature of Dr. J. C. Fletchler.

50,000 FOR FAMOUS FILM.

Five thousand pounds was paid for the famous film "The Battle of Waterloo," which was sold by auction last week by Mr. George Harlow, of the firm of Harlow and Gilroy. No pains had been spared to make the film complete, the "posing" taking place at Archdale, near Wellington. The "battle" took place in the early morning. From hundreds of foot soldiers and hundreds of horses were engaged. Fresh buildings were designed and burned, and two towers took the parts of Wellington and Napoleon.



WILSON'S FLY PAD POISON

Will kill every fly in your house or store. Allyou have to do is to get the flies to the Pads. Directions in each packet show how to do this.

There's no use hurrying after the count is in.

Miles' Worm Powders will not only expel worms from the system, but will induce healthy conditions of the system under which worms can no longer thrive. Worms keep a child in a continual state of uneasiness and pain, and there can be no comfort for the little one until the cause of suffering be removed, which can be easily done by the use of these powders, then which there is nothing more effective.

The measures of your love is its cost to your life. Comfort for the Dyspeptic.—There is no ailment so harassing and exhausting as dyspepsia, which arises from defective action of the stomach and liver, and the victim of it is let to be pined. Yet he can find ready relief in Parson's Vegetable Pills, a preparation which has established itself by years of effective use. These pills widely advertised as the greatest ever compounded, but not one of them can compare with Parson's.

QUERIES FREARS OF HERNOY. Mark Twain told of the pilot who knew every lead, creek, current and shallow in the Mississippi River throughout its mighty length, but could not remember what he had had for breakfast. A correspondent of the London Chronicle tells of one man with a memory that apparently collects only figures. He can always remember one's age even if he forgets the name. He will memorize easily the times of all the trains to a given place, but he generally forgets the platform from which they start. He will recall to him a column of statistics and he will recite them again a month later without a mistake.

Had Leaking Valves Of The Heart.

Thought Nothing But Death Would End Her Misery.

Miss J. D. TALBOT, 1770 3rd Ave., East, Orest, Ontario.—"I have been a great sufferer from heart disease and leaking valves. I have had recourse to every kind of treatment, but nothing helped me, including the skill of several doctors. I suffered so for years that at times I have felt that nothing but death could end my misery. I was advised by a friend, who had suffered much pain and misery, but at last had been cured by MILBURN'S HEART AND NERVE PILLS, to give them a trial. I decided to do so. I am delighted with the result, as I am now completely cured, and can rest and sleep as I have not done for years. You are at liberty to use my name at any time as I am convinced they are the best pills on the market for any form of heart disease."

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

NEEDLESS EXPENSE. "Father," asked the girl who was going to marry a poor man, "do you think I ought to take a course in household economy? They offer a lovely one at college for three hundred dollars."

Face To Face WITH A Serious Problem.

BAD WATER WAS THE CAUSE.

Mrs. EDWARD KNOWSTON, Mirror, Alta., writes: "Coming to the North-west from B.C. in the summer of 1910, we were face to face with the serious problem of being able to secure good drinking water; this we could not get, so were obliged to drink water containing great deal of alkali, with the result that we were all troubled with Diarrhoea. Fortunately, we had a bottle of Dr. FLETCHER'S EXTRACT OF WILD STRAWBERRY in the house which soon relieved our sufferings. I have always kept a bottle in the house since obtaining such beneficial results from its use when my boy as a baby was similarly troubled. It has always proved a friend in need."

There are many imitations of "Dr. Fletcher's." When you ask for the well-known name, insist on being given it, it has been on the market for over sixty-five years, and has always given the greatest satisfaction. It cures when all others fail. See that the name of The T. Milburn Co., Limited, appears on the yellow wrapper. Price, 25 cents.

CASTORIA For Infants and Children. The Kind You Have Always Bought Bears the Signature of Dr. J. C. Fletchler. In Use For Over Thirty Years. CASTORIA. A Perfect Remedy for Constipation, Sour Stomach, Diarrhoea, Worms, Convulsions, Feverishness and LOSS OF SLEEP.

THE WORLD OF SCIENCE. Austria's farmers raise 1,000,000 tons of cabbage a year. Coal available for the next eight centuries is claimed for Newcastle, England. A weak solution of ammonia will remove from silver black stains caused by sulphur fumes.

Don't cackle loud unless, like the hen, you have something substantial to show for it. The Best Liver Pill.—The action of the liver is easily deranged. A sudden chill, undue exposure to the elements, over-indulgence in some favorite food, excess in drinking, are a few of the causes. But whatever may be the cause, FARMER'S VEGETABLE PILLS can be relied upon as the best corrective that can be taken. They are the leading liver pills and have no superior among such preparations.

SUNBURN. BLISTERS. SORE FEET. Everything you could want to give YOURSELF. Sunburn, Blisters, Sore Feet. ZAM-BUK. Don't expect every one to see as you do. You may be colour blind or have an aquatic mind. It Hides Pain Begone.—When neuralgia racks the nerves or lumbago cripples the back it is time to test Dr. Thomas' Eucalypti Oil. Wall rubbed in it will still the pain and produce a sensation of ease and rest. There is nothing like it as a treatment for its curative powers are great. A trial of it will establish, faith in it.

DOCTORS SAID COULD NOT GET CURED. THREE VIALS OF MILBURN'S LAX-LIVER PILLS CURED HIM. Could Hardly Eat on Account of Indigestion. MR. DAVID BERRIDGE, Claremont, N.S., writes:—"I had had indigestion for some time, and had had no relief. It then turned into a sour stomach, and the doctors said I could not get cured. I used a lot of medicine until at last one of my friends told me to use MILBURN'S LAX-LIVER PILLS, and after I had used three vials, I was completely cured, and I always keep them in the house now."

VERY SOBBY. "In very sorry, Mr. Dixon," said a fair young girl at a dance to a youth who had asked if he might take her to supper, "but I've promised to go to supper with someone else. But I'll introduce you to a very handsome and clever girl."

SUFFERED EVERYTHING. For Years, Restored To Health by Lydia E. Finkham's Vegetable Compound. Canadian women are continually writing us such letters as the following, which are heartfelt expressions of gratitude for restored health: "Glasford Station, Ont.—"I have been a sufferer from indigestion for many years and never found any medicine to compare with it. I had ulcers and falling of womb and doctors did me no good. I suffered dreadfully for years until I began taking your medicine. I am now completely cured, and I am so glad to be able to eat and sleep as I have not done for years. You are at liberty to use my name at any time as I am convinced they are the best pills on the market for any form of heart disease."

A BLOW PUPIL. For the first time a colored boy was arrested on a charge of appropriating chickens, and the magistrates decided to try an appeal to the lad's father. "Look here, Heston," said the magistrate, when the father appeared in court, "this is the fifth time that your son Ebenzer has been in this court, and I am tired of seeing him here."

DID NOT KNOW WHAT IT WAS TO BE RID OF BOILS. When the blood becomes impure, it is only natural that boils, pimples, or some other indication of bad blood should break out of the system. There is only one thing to do, and that is to purify the blood by using a thorough blood-cleansing medicine such as BURDOCK BLOOD PURIFIER. MR. ANDREW E. COLLIER, River Glade, N.J., writes:—"For years I was troubled with boils. I did not know what they were, but they were so bad that I began to use BURDOCK BLOOD PURIFIER. I only used two bottles of it, and it is now over a year, and I have never had any more boils since. I can always recommend B.B.P. to anyone who is troubled with boils. It is a remedy indicated for the purification of the blood, and has been used by thousands during the last 30 years. It is manufactured by The T. Milburn Co., Limited, Toronto, Ont."

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA. NEEDLESS IT. "What's the matter? You look fearfully dependent to-day." "No wonder. My aunt has just told me that she is going to leave her money to some deserving charity."

FISHERMEN'S SUPERSTITIONS.

Japanese Women Blunt White Husk-knives Are Fishing. In British Columbia the Indians ceremoniously went to meet the first salmon and fasted for 10 days to win their favor by calling them all chiefs.

Every spring the Karake used to dance for salmon. Meanwhile one of their number secluded himself in the mountains and fasted for 10 days. Upon his return he solemnly approached the river, took the first salmon of the catch, ate some of it, and with the remainder lighted a sacrificial fire. The same Indian laborer, climbed the mountain top, after the poles for the opening loath, being convinced that if they were gathered together, salmon would be plentiful.

In Japan among the primitive races of the Ainu even the women lay their hands on the fish. The fish may be lost and disappear, while the first fish is always brought in through a window or a door, as the other fish may not see.

The Eskimo women of Alaska never saw while the men are fishing and should any accident befall them they are to be in little time out of sight of the sea.

Under no circumstances on the northeast coast of Alaska will a fisherman at sea mention certain objects on land, such as a "minister," "with no fish he would be caught." If the fish die, as at sea fish must be cooked until they are all rotting, it is considered a bad omen among the Eskimo to eat anything of the fish until it is all rotting.

Every year the natives of the Duke of York Island, in the Indian Ocean, and ferns, all of it with shell money and cast it to the sea. The natives of the island of New Zealand, to put the fish that they caught back into the sea, they would throw it into the sea. If the fish did not come soon enough, the natives would use a diamond used to employ a wizard, who made an image of a swimming fish and put it in the water to attract fish to the bait.

A Card Dealing Machine. A Parisian gambler has just patented a machine for dealing cards. He claims for it the advantage of preventing the cards from being soiled by the fingers and also of making impossible any misdeal or any sharp practice by the dealer. The cards, having taken their place in a card deck, are placed in a box which is held in the dealer's left hand. With his right he pulls out the cards which are to be dealt, and which he pushes forth the top card. It is evident that none but the top card can possibly be dealt, and that professional gamblers smile at the device, recognizing that it in no way prevents the dealer from cheating. If he wants to put in an effective stop to swindling the inventor will have to think of some other device which will also shuffle and cut the cards before dealing them and so simple that no one can fix it to do "crooked deals."

An Automatic Out-Off. One of the most ingenious of recent inventions is a simple device for preventing steamship propellers from "revving" when there is a heavy sea. The propellers are run by electric motors, and the ship loses the propellers often are entirely out of water when the ship's engines stop. The new invention consists of a little tube partially filled with mercury that runs over the propellers. When the ship is in a heavy sea, the mercury will rise and will stop the propellers from revolving. The old remedy for this condition was to have an engineer cut off the steam, but the new propellers were rising out of the water, and turn the steam on again as the propellers returned to the water. The new invention consists of a little tube partially filled with mercury that runs over the propellers. When the ship is in a heavy sea, the mercury will rise and will stop the propellers from revolving. The old remedy for this condition was to have an engineer cut off the steam, but the new propellers were rising out of the water, and turn the steam on again as the propellers returned to the water.

We Are All Queer. Call a girl a chick and she smiles; call a woman a hen and she howls. Call a young woman a witch and she is pleased; call an old woman a witch and she is indignant. Call a girl a kitten and she rather likes it; call a woman a cat and she hates you. Women are queer.

A Well-Bred Customer. In the city of New York the village butcher was telling his wife of the arrival of a new order. "She came today," he said, with enthusiasm, "and I can tell you she's a real lady, brought up select and exclusive. She don't know one out of most from another, nor wool from mutton."

Energy. Strong impulses are but another name for energy. Energy may be compared to electricity, but more good may always be made of an energetic impulse than of an indolent and impassive one.—John Stuart Mill.

Counting a Teach. "Don't you think you're wasting your time looking at the value of money to Blank? He hasn't any money."

W. H. Storey & Son, Limited, Acton, Ont.

The Metropolitan Bank. Capital \$1,000,000.00. Reserve \$1,250,000.00. Farmers' Business. This bank extends its facilities to the farming community, special attention being given to the farmers' banking needs. Loans made to responsible farmers, convenient Note Forms supplied free, Sale Notes discounted or collected. Special Savings Account. Many accounts are opened with the bank by persons who wish to make payment on a mortgage, life insurance premium or meet some similar obligation. These short time savings accounts are readily acceptable by the Metropolitan Bank, and full compound interest is allowed on the amount deposited that the money remains with the bank. ACTON BRANCH: A. A. ROLLIT, Manager.

Throwing Kisses in the Dark. "What doth it avail a city to be among the best over as a home, a site for a manufacturing industry, or as a place of resort and recreation," says the leader editorial man of the Manchester (N. H.) Leader, "if the blind old world outside is left in ignorance of its charms. That's the way to feel about a good fishin' hole, but not about the town in which you live—and get your bread and butter." Advertising is coming into its own in New England because our business men see that it is needed. They are seeing, with William Jennings Bryan, that a man who is throwing kisses at a girl in the dark may know what he is doing, but no one else does. New England folks who want the world outside to know about them and their products are using advertising, but there are still a few who are throwing kisses in the dark.

ROUTING SHIRTS English Flannel—Soft Collars—All Sizes. PANAMA HATS \$5.00, \$8.00, \$10.00, \$12.00. STRAW HATS \$1.50 to \$4.00. HOLEPROOF HOSIERY GUARANTEED. R. E. NELSON. Merchant Tailor and Furrier. 177-179 GUELPH ST. GUELPH - ONT.

Pliable, Yet Tough. You might begin your acquaintance with Storey's goods by investing in a pair of these Horseshoe Mitts. They're excellent examples of how tough and pliable mitts may be made by our chrome process, with the added satisfaction of knowing they will not become stiff when scorched or scalded. Don't forget to buy Storey's—and they'll remember you by wearing longest—at all stores. W. H. Storey & Son, Limited, Acton, Ont. STOREY'S MITTS.

Neglect Ruins Watches! Keep your watch clean and it is as natural for it to go as for your heart to beat. PRINGLE has experience and ability to repair and properly adjust watches, possibly as great as any person in Canada. G. D. Pringle - Guelph.

Acton's Electric CHOPPING MILL! Chopping and Rolling Done Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays. SATISFACTION GUARANTEED. FLOUR AND FEED FOR SALE. B. F. Caldwell - Acton.

THE GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY

PASSENGER TRAINS. The following is the time at which passenger trains leave Acton:

Table with 4 columns: Train No., Destination, Time, and Notes. Includes trains to Toronto, Ottawa, and other locations.

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Your chopping will be done quickly and well, on either plates or stones, if taken to—ROCKWOOD Chopping Mills. Flour Bran Oatmeal Shorts. The best at lowest prices. HARRIS & CO. Limited.

Miss F. Murray MILLINER. HAS taken the rooms in the Perryman Block Mill Street, and will be prepared to receive the ladies of Acton and surrounding country with an unsurpassed display of Spring and Easter Millinery of the latest styles on Tuesday, 18th March. The ladies will appreciate the new quarters on the ground floor, with no stairs to climb. A cordial invitation to all. Florence Murray.

WOOL! WOOL! WOOL! WANTED. Also all kinds of FURNITURE. M. SPOON - ACTON. The Berlin Steam Granite and Marble Works. CASPER BRAUN - PROPRIETOR. Designers and Builders of Statues, Mantelpieces, Monuments, Markers and Headstones, and all kinds of ARTISTIC CEMETERY WORK. ADDRESS: WM. HENSTREET, AGENT ACTON OR MILTON.

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