

Snags.
The business of pulling snags out of the Mississippi River is considerable of an institution. Congress granted an appropriation of \$150,000 towards improving the channels of the Missouri and Mississippi rivers, and part of this grant is used in keeping up a 'snagging corps' comprising four snag boats and a steam dredge. A tremendous force is sometimes necessary to drag the sunken monsters of the forest from their beds. The machinery used on the boats in raising snags is of the most powerful and ponderous description. Chains, whereof the links are of iron two and a half inches in diameter, and weighing twenty-two pounds each, are frequently broken in raising the enormous snags. Each snag boat keeps a record of all its raises, and data are taken whereby to compute the weight of the tree. Some monsters have been raised. On the register book it is shown that the DeRussy in December last, raised a cottonwood snag in the Mississippi River, at Gair's Bend, below Vicksburg, that weighed two hundred and eighty tons. This snag was one hundred and sixty feet in length, thirty feet in circumference at the butt, and nineteen at the top.

Beecher's Bringing Up.
We find the following credited to Beecher:—I thank God for two things—yes, for a thousand; but for two among many; first, that I was born and bred in the country, of parents that gave me a sound constitution and a noble example. I never can pay back what I got from my parents. If I were to raise a monument of gold higher than heaven, it would be no expression of the debt of gratitude which I owe to them, for that which they incessantly gave, by the heritage of their body and the heritage of their souls, to me. And next to that, I am thankful that I was brought up in circumstances where I never became acquainted with wickedness. I know a great deal about it; for if I hear a man say A, I know the whole alphabet of that man's life, by which I can imagine all the rest. If I see a single limb, I have the physiologist's talent by which I know the whole structure. I never became acquainted with wickedness when I was young, by coming in contact with it. I never was sullied in action or thought when I was young. I grew up as pure as a woman. And I cannot express to God the thanks which I owe to my mother, and to my father, and to the great household of brothers and sisters among whom I lived.

Benefits of Laughter.
Probably there is not the remotest corner or little inlet of the minute blood vessels (life vessels) of the body that does not feel some wailelet from that great convulsion (hearty laughter) shaking the central man. The blood moves more lively—probably its chemical, electric, or vital condition is distinctly modified—it conveys a different impression to all the organs of the body as it visits them on that particular mystic journey, when the man is laughing, from what it does at other times. And so, we doubt not, a good laugh may lengthen a man's life, conveying a distinct stimulus to the vital forces. And the time may come when physicians, attending more closely than at present they are apt to do, to the innumerable subtle influences which the soul exerts upon its tenement of clay, shall prescribe to a torpid patient "so many peals of laughter, to be undergone at such and such a time," just as they now do that far more objectionable prescription, a pill, or an electric or galvanic shock; and shall study the best and most effective method of producing the required effect in each patient.

Concerning Secrecy.
All secrecy is injurious in its nature. We do not mean to aver that men and women can live without those episodes in their affairs which require privacy.—Where is the man who can boast that he is altogether free from the presence of a skeleton in his cupboard? But the fewer that we are of these grinning inmates the better will it be for ourselves and all those who are concerned with us. A secret, if we think of it, has ever some quality of the skeleton.—It is to us a secret, because the divulging of it would be injurious to us. It is kept hallowed, not because it is a joy, but because it might become a pain.—No doubt there is an excitement about a secret—a secret so called—which may to some extent be pleasurable. The knowledge of that which is unknown to others has an allurements. But such pleasure is a poor trifle, and stands quite apart from the general good or evil of secrecy in the affairs of life.

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