

THE CITY BUILDINGS

HOW KINGSTON CAME TO ERECT THEM.

Laying of the Corner Stone—The Governor-General, Sir Charles Metcalfe, Took Part in the Great Ceremony—Buildings Finished in 1844.

As the city buildings are at present much under discussion on account of the destruction of the dome by fire on July 24th, a description of them by one who was conversant with their construction and who was present at the time the cornerstone was laid will be very interesting. The following article was written twenty-five years ago for the Whig on the occasion of its jubilee.

It has been the wonder of the most people unacquainted with all the circumstances, how Kingston came to erect a public building of such magnificent proportions as that which it possesses. It has certainly been in advance of its requirements, and the finest structure of the kind in Canada. I have heard this statement made, and I have no reason to doubt it. First let it be remembered that in 1840 the necessity arose for new market buildings. In 1841 Lord Sydenham, the new governor-general, and the best friend Kingston ever had in the gubernatorial office, said that to his mind this was the place for the seat of government, and the council again took up the project of a public building with great life and energy. It was no longer contented with a small idea. The members of it had visions of future greatness. They decided to erect a building large enough to contain two halls 100 long by 50 wide and a high ceiling. They chose the mayor, the clerk, treasurer, surveyor, assessor, two committee rooms, quarters for custom house and post office, public station, etc. It was decided to have a wing containing stalls for the butchers and a livery stable. The Commercial Bank was notified that the council had decided to commence building, and that £7,000 would be wanted at once for the purpose. The bank did not take as kindly to the scheme as it was expected to do, and rather than give up the application for a loan on motion of councillors Rose and Thurlkell (Rose is still living and the county registrar) the mayor was provided with the necessary authority to borrow in London £20,000 on corporation securities. In May 1841, Mr. Conner returned to his home and got a cordial welcome. He had been successful in floating a loan of £20,000.

In the same month of the same year, June, 1843, the contracts for the building were let as follows: James Milne, mason, £7,768; R. & J. Fisher and T. C. Pidgeon, carpentry, £7,581; Thomas Healey, plastering, £975; William Davy, iron work, £475; J. H. Townsend, plumbing, £1,052.18. Davy and Townsend failed to go on with the work, and their respective contracts were given to James Skinner and Thomas Overend. In the winter of 1844 the building was completed and ready for occupation. It was offered for use gratuitously for government and parliamentary purposes and declined. There was no help for it but to make the best of the situation. The imperial parliament made up somewhat for the loss the town sustained by the removal of parliament, but it was yet a terrible financial stringency and a painful generosity about the town.

Few will remember the public building as it was occupied in 1845 and 1846. The two ends of the main structure—the present quarters of the manager of the bank and the offices of the city solicitor's office—were devoted to saloons, and a prosperous trade they ran. The bank's general office was the customs house and the present police court room was the post office, afterwards the firemen's hall. The mechanics' institute was located under the dome, in the room occupied in latter years by an orange lodge, one of the first organized in the town. Ontario hall was to be the merchants' exchange, but so far as can be remembered it was not put to that use. For a long time it was leased by the free church, and when it removed, by A. & D. Shaw as a wholesale dry-goods house. The news room was in the department now tenanted by the city engineer. The mayor's office was in the council chamber, until Overton S. Gildersleeve became mayor and fitted up the little corner in which his worship is supposed to hide himself for an hour or so each day. The basement of the building was a regular bar. Every department on the front and ends was used by business men. Cooper, the lawyer, had his office where the police station is, and the police station was in the department now used by the police as a billiard parlor.

The shambles of 1844 ran to within about 50 feet of the east side pavement on Front street. The end of them was higher than the middle, and was crested by a tower in which was a clock. Down the centre, as now, ran a wide passage on either side. With entrance of King street were stairs. That on the south side was first occupied by John McEagar as a drug store. He was succeeded by Dr. Robinson who founded the city book store of which John Creighton was for a time the manager afterwards the proprietor. Overhead was the apartment occupied for a season by St. Patrick's society as a reading room, and then by Lightfoot the printer and the Argus office. On the Brock street side Mr. C. McMillan had on the second floor his small theatre, and in the first floor a small theatre, when McMillan retired Linton and Bartlett engaged the auction rooms, and retained them until Linton removed to his corner now occupied by the Ocean saloon. Rest of space occupied by butchers.

I promised to tell you about the time we had when the corner stone of the city buildings was laid. It was a great day for Kingston. The governor-general lived here then and he was induced to take a hand in the proceedings and tended that the ceremony should take place on May 24th in connection with the celebration of the queen's birthday, but the death of Sir Charles Bagot necessitated the postponement of it. The weather was beastly. The rains with which the day opened had ceased, but there was a very disagreeable mist and it kept the ladies at home. A stand, that had been built expressly for them, was taken possession of by the sturdier sex; by the way, they mounted their stables and roofs, and every point of vantage. At 12 o'clock the

various public and national societies met in front of the old town hall, King street. They were arranged by Henry Smith, jr., M.P.P., chief marshal, according to the following programme: Police, mechanics' institute, hook and ladder company, fire company, band, St. George's Society, St. Patrick's society, St. Andrew's society, militia officers (in uniform), citizens (by fives), members of the medical profession, members of the bar, the clergy (in their robes), the magistracy, the architect, overseer of works, the builders, officers of the common council, the common council, his worship the mayor, the sheriff, major-general Sir Richard Armstrong, the garrison staff, his excellency the governor-general, Sir Charles Metcalfe and suite, guard of honor, consisting of Frontenac dragoons. The procession marched up King street to the town line, near Stuart's Point, and halted to await the arrival of the governor-general. The mayor and sheriff had previously gone on to the government house (Alwyn) in his worship's carriage to intimate the arrangements. Not long after the State carriage, drawn by four bays, made its appearance, escorted by a detachment of the Frontenac dragoons, under Lieut. Muttebury and containing his excellency and suite, and the garrison staff remained on horseback. The streets from the new building a long distance up King street were lined by the Royal Welsh fusiliers, through whom the procession marched to the music of the band of that regiment. The fire companies, particularly in their new dress, made a most creditable appearance. When the suite of the procession arrived near the east corner of the new city hall, at the intersection of Brock and Ontario streets, the ranks opened and the governor-general, Gen. Armstrong, then suites the militia officers, the mayor and members of the council, the clergy and the bar passed through to the corner stone. His excellency then took his station at the head of the stone between the mayor and sheriff, with the other gentlemen grouped around him. A guard of honor was provided by the 23rd regiment. There was a fusillade of artillery, the playing of bands and the waving of the royal standard all the time the ceremony was in progress. "God Save the Queen" being sung as corn, wine and wheat, and the governor had finished the work assigned to him there was great cheering.

Perhaps you would like to know what was put into the cavity of the corner stone. A parchment roll, containing the seventh, eighth, and ninth verses of Job xii., in Greek, Latin, English, Welsh, Irish, and French; a parchment roll containing the names of the legislators, council and its officers; a list of the officers of St. George's Society, and a list of its officers for 1844, together with a copy of the constitution of the society; similar statements from St. Andrew's and St. Patrick's societies and from the board of trade; statements from the Kingston mechanics' institute, volunteer fire company No. 1, hook and ladder company, a paper containing the name of the high sheriff of the midland district, with the seal of his office; a copy of the "West Canada Almanac"; copies of the "Canadian Gazette, Chronicle and Gazette," "Kingston Herald, British Whig, News, Statesman, and Canadian Loyalist"; programme of the procession at the ceremony of laying the corner stone, and the great seal of the city; bills of exchange of the Commercial Bank; Commercial bank notes; bills of exchange of the bank of British North America; debentures of the Corporation of the City of Kingston; a silver purse containing a sovereign of Queen Victoria; a half crown of the same; a shilling of Queen Victoria; a sixpence of Queen Victoria; a silver great of King William IV.; a silver three-halfpence of Queen Victoria; an American silver halfdime; a penny of King William IV.; halfpence of King George IV.; George III.; George IV.; William IV.; copper medals of the Duke of Wellington; halfpence of Upper Canada; Lower Canada, Nova Scotia; a Lower Canadian deux sous piece, an American cent. Enough stuff to start a curiosity shop.

Over the cavity in which the box was placed a brass plate was let in the stone, and on this plate were put the following inscriptions: On the obverse, "On this, the fifth day of June, in the year of Our Lord, 1843, and in the sixth year of the reign of Queen Victoria, His Excellency the Right Hon. Sir C. Metcalfe, Governor-General of British North America, laid the first stone of this building, undertaken by the common council of Kingston, for the public accommodation, and the use of the city. Architect, George Brown; contractors, Jos. Milner, Robert Fisher, James Fisher, Thomas C. Pidgeon, William Fife, James Skinner, Thomas Healey and Joseph A. Townsend." On the reverse, "John B. Benson, Mayor; Aldermen, Henry W. Benson, Edward Noble, Joseph Thirkell, John A. Macdonald; Alderman James Williamson and common councilman Rodrick M. Rose in 1842; common councilmen Samuel Phippen, John A. Benson, Joseph Thirkell, Robert Inglis, solicitor, Thomas Kirkpatrick; clerk of common council, Francis M. Hill; treasurer, James J. Burrows; high bailiff, Samuel Shaw; city surveyor, Richard Brassington; assessor, George Clark; collector, Andrew Mayne, A.D. 1843." In the top face of the corner stone a hole was made about eight inches in diameter and three inches deep. As there was nothing apparently to put in this hole no little curiosity was excited to know "what it was for." It was understood, however, that it was a custom on similar occasions that the individual who performs the ceremony of laying the corner stone bestows "largess" on the work people employed about the building. His excellency, with his usual liberality, contributed more than sufficient to fill the hole with the precious coin of the realm. It will be observed that this custom no longer prevails.

After the stone was laid the procession reopened and the governor-general proceeded on foot between the two lines along Ontario street to Princess, and up that street to King street and then to Brock street, each society or institution in succession cheering him as he passed along. At Brock street he again got into his carriage and the procession formed, as at the first, accompanied him up King street to the limits of the town, where they took leave of the governor-general and the show was over. In the evening, I believe, there was a great jubilation at the British American hotel, when the flow of speech and wine was pretty steady until a most unreasonable hour. Crushed hats were not fashionable in those days, but they were a great many of them in use the next day.

And do you know that the civic officials are not half so eccentric or frolicsome as those who reigned in former days. There was Frank Weymes for instance. Frank was the city surveyor. He didn't know any more about a theodolite than I do, but that didn't prevent him laying out the town according to a plan of his own, and a plan, by the same token, which, in after years, broke the hearts of every one who had to do with it. But Frank had a keen sense of honor or honour and a strict conscience. He had a pocket watch, and he carried it behind his back, and he kept it there. He didn't kill his opponent, because his pistol was loaded with blank cartridges, but he thought he had put an ounce of lead where another man's brain was supposed to be, and made himself an invisible quantity for several days.

CEASELESS WHIRL

Man Swings Hammer For Twelve Hours.

London, Aug. 1.—Arthur Lancaster, at the Crystal Palace, on Thursday, accomplished something that had never been even attempted before since the world began. He swung an eight-pound blacksmith's hammer for twelve hours without a moment's rest.

Lancaster was to have competed in a test of endurance against a Frenchman, but the latter did not keep his engagement, so the Englishman began his task alone. Never, surely, has a feat of endurance been carried out under such depressing conditions. On a small stage, a darkened room, lighted only by foot-lights, a pale-faced man of 25, stripped to the waist and wearing flannel trousers and white boots, stood resting easily on the handle of a sledge-hammer.

Two other men were present as witnesses, and when at 9 a.m. precisely the word to start was given Lancaster swung his hammer round his head, and for twelve hours that eight pounds of metal continuously cleaved the air. Round and round, backward and forward, one—two—three!

No cheering strains from an orchestra assisted Lancaster; not even the tinkle of a piano helped to relieve the dreadful monotony. People dropped in by twos and threes, but the insufferable sameness soon drove them out again. Occasionally Lancaster's attendant would cause a welcome break by supplying him a glass of milk—he drank eight during the twelve hours; or a few cold boiled green peas—he ate a handful during the day; or an oatmeal biscuit—he munched altogether twelve of these. But directly these interruptions were over Lancaster, who had continued swinging the hammer with one hand, would resume his double-handed swinging. Round and round, backward and forward, one—two—three!

Lancaster told an Express representative that he is considered to possess the strongest forearm and wrist of any one living. He must also possess one of the strongest brains of any. His performance was as much a triumph mentally as physically. One's first impressions of Lancaster, as his arms revolved on his splendid muscular development. Then the spokes of the wheel, formed by the quick revolution of the hammer, had a hypnotic effect, continually chased but never caught, each other, irritated the eye. Later one found one's self muttering poetry to the tune set by the military man on the stage. This was followed by the babbling of nonsense rhymes, to be succeeded by the torture of the dripping of cold water on the head. Round and round, backward and forward, one—two—three!

The moods changed quickly. The thing was maddening. One closed one's hands and prayed. It was then time to leave that darkened room to seek distraction. The Nonconformist Choral Union was singing in another part of the building but while listening to them one's thoughts were with the Iron Hand. Round and round, backward and forward, one—two—three!

At half-past 8 a terrific thunderstorm broke over the Crystal Palace. Vivid flashes of fire illuminated the faces of the 200 people who had come to see the finish. Terrible peals of thunder shook the building. But Lancaster gave no sign that he saw or heard anything. At five minutes to 9, when the hammer had travelled nearly 10 miles and Lancaster's attendant had lifted more than 150 tons, his manager stepped from the wings and counted off the minutes.

"One—two—three—four—five!" "Crash!" The hammer was flung on to the boards and in making a quick bow, disappeared amid cheers, while the spectators stormed the platform to test the genuineness of the hammer. Satisfied, they clamored for another look at the world's champion hammer swinger.

Then they moved out into the night, still partly dazed with that dreadful hammering in their brains. Round and round, backward and forward, one—two—three!

Land Valuation in Victoria.

Melbourne, Aug. 1.—A bill is being introduced by the Victorian government providing for the valuation of all land on the basis of improved and unimproved value. A new valuation department will be established. The bill empowers the government to resume land in cases where the owner contends that the value generally is excessive, the government paying the exorbitant value which the owner says is too great.

Rideau Lakes And Ottawa.

Rideau King and Queen leave for Ottawa, Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday, at 6 a.m., and for Clayton, N.Y., Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday at 6:15 p.m. James Swift & Co., Agents.

It Has Stood.

The test of twenty years sales in Kingston, the old reliable "Oriental Mixture," the finest blend of China, India and Ceylon tea in lead foil packets only, 40c. and 50c. per lb. Henderson's grocery.

The indications to date are that earnings of the United States Steel for the month of July will run close to \$8,000,000. If they are within \$500,000 of that figure they will be the largest monthly earnings of the current year. Sale of 50c. tape girder corsets, New York Dress Reform.

Told in Twilight

Several members of the Canadian Alpine Club, amongst the number Miss Helen Monkston, lately made the ascent of Rogers' Peak, an altitude of 10,536. It was a two days' climb, one night being spent at a C.P.R. hut, at the timber line on the southern slope of the mountain. Swiss guides had charge of the party. The ladies all wore puttees, knickerbockers and hood coats. This item is a very interesting one for Kingstonians as the intrepid young climber is a sometime Kingston girl.

Mr. and Mrs. William Newlands announce the engagement of their eldest daughter, Frances, Covadale, to Dr. Hugh Auchincloss, of New York. Miss Newlands is expected home from New York next week.

Among the many camps near Gananoque is that on Little Slave Island, Lake Fleet group, of Dr. and Mrs. G. H. Bowen, of Toronto, and Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Latimer, of New York, with their guests, Mrs. Gilbert G. Johnston and little daughter, of Toronto, Miss Ella LeBlane, of Brooklyn, and Mr. Henry McMeans, of New York, who are spending the month with them.

Miss Amy Odell, visiting Mr. and Mrs. George Kirkpatrick, Brock street, with their guests, Mrs. A. W. Bell, Miss Alice Newlands, Bagot street, returned from Ottawa, on Wednesday last.

Mrs. W. J. Ross and son, Jack, of Clayton, N.Y., returned home after spending a week with Miss Annie and J. Joyner, 129 Union street west.

Miss Nora Featherstone, nurse in the Sisters' hospital, Waterloo, has returned to her duties after spending a two weeks' vacation at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Featherstone, Taylor.

Miss Eleanor Crichton, of Toronto, is with her sister, Mrs. W. Newlands, 117 Bagot street, for a few days. Mr. and Mrs. William McLeod, of Baltimore, who have been visiting with Mr. McLeod's parents in Toronto passed through the city this week on a tour of the islands.

Miss Agnes Magee, of Winnipeg, Man., and her aunt, Mrs. William Hanes, of Newburgh, have been visiting with friends in Kingston for the past week.

Mrs. Bissell, of Kingston, and Miss Grace Newlands, of Buffalo, are visiting Mrs. R. B. Moore, Big Creek, North Fredericksburg.

Misses Kathleen and Agnes McDonald, of Kingston, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. McNally, of Westport.

Mrs. J. W. Willis and son, Prescott, are in Kingston on a two weeks' visit among friends.

The Rev. and Mrs. George McArthur, of Kingston, spent a couple of days this week the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Fleming, of Prescott.

Canon Starr, after a delightful tour of the British Isles and the continent, is again in his much-loved city. He looks well.

Dr. James Thair and wife, after a three months' stay in Britain, reached home yesterday.

The Rev. Alfred Bright and wife arrived yesterday, from St. John's, N.B., to spend a couple of weeks with Mr. Bright's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dennison, Portsmouth, before leaving for their home in Ingersoll.

Mr. R. J. McKelvey and son, Jack, who have been enjoying a month's outing with Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Johnston, at St. Faustine, Que., returned home to night.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Murch and baby, and Miss Beatrice Murch, of Toronto, are visiting Mrs. W. J. Chapman, Queen street.

Mrs. Gilbert Johnston and Miss Johnston, Montreal, will be with Mr. R. J. McKelvey, Bagot street, at an early date.

Mr. Elden Cole, B.Sc., is a visitor in the city.

Miss L. A. Sinclair, who has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. H. Spelling, Division street, for the past month, has left for her home in Montreal.

Mrs. Frederic Weston and baby, of "Malheur," Ingersoll, spent the week-end with Mrs. W. J. Chapman, Queen street.

Mrs. James Shirley and daughter, Gladys, of Bath, have returned home after spending the week with the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Shirley, Albert street.

Miss Phyllis Cairnes, Earl street, returned to-day, after a pleasant visit in New York.

Mr. J. H. Birckett is to leave in a few days for his old home in Newfoundland, which he has not seen for thirty years.

Mr. E. G. Mitchell, of London, is in the city to see his family.

Mrs. Joseph Altro, Pittsburg, Pa., is in the city visiting her son, Mr. F. W. Altro.

Mrs. R. Uglow and daughters, and Mrs. F. Phillips and daughter have gone for an outing at Hay Island.

Miss Florence Elliott, Barrie, street, is back from her visit to Detroit and Toronto.

Dean and Mrs. Farthing will leave on Monday for a month's vacation.

Miss Olive Boyd, University avenue, is going to Ottawa, next week.

Rev. T. Etherington, of Hamilton, is again enjoying holidays at his old home here.

St. James' Club excursion, Monday evening. Two hours' sail among Adirondack Group. Band and refreshments. 35c. Steamer America, 7:30 sharp.

PITH OF THE NEWS.

The Very Latest Cullied From All Over The World.

William H. Bartram, is made the post office inspector for the Quebec postal division.

Arthur Brothey, Ottawa, is to be chief clerk in the department of the secretary of state.

President Roosevelt has established an attorney of London, Ont., has been arrested charged with misappropriation of funds.

To help stop the selling of news print paper at secret rates the article is now to be auctioned periodically in New York in caulked lots.

President Roosevelt has established a sixty-foot one all along the Mexican border, on which no house may be built. This is to help prevent smuggling Asiatics.

Jean Louis Riel, only surviving son of the late Louis Riel, is dead at Winnipeg. Mr. Riel married Miss M. L. Cassault, sister of Jules Cassault, of Quebec.

Owing to the improvements in his health Lord Roberts has decided to proceed to Ottawa to-morrow. He will go up by special train over the C.P.R. railway.

Lameron Stanton, Ottawa, has been selected as assistant deputy minister of the department of marine and fisheries. Lucien Bance, of Ottawa, will be a chief clerk in the department.

Louis Cousineau, unsuccessful candidate for Ottawa county, in Quebec has deposited \$1,000, and protested the election of F. A. Gendron, M.P. P. He makes some 200 charges against his opponent.

The management of the Canadian National exhibition has decided to engage the Citizens' band of Winnipeg, Man. This band will come to Toronto thirty-five strong. They will be in charge of Dr. A. W. Bell, formerly assistant manager of the Toronto Exhibition and at present manager of the Winnipeg Exhibition.

George Miller, aged about thirty years, and unmarried, was fatally injured while working on a threshing machine on the farm of Jacob Miller, near St. Anne's, on Friday evening. Miller was on top of the machine and accidentally stepped into the feeder. His leg was pulled off at the hip, and he died soon afterwards.

WRECKED BY BOMB.

Chicago, Aug. 1.—The twenty-third serious dynamiting within a year occurred on Friday when a newspaper building was partially wrecked by a bomb. The building was not finished and the contractors have been having trouble with labor unions.

THE HOUSE OF LORDS DID NOT INSIST ON AMENDMENTS.

London, Aug. 1.—On motion of David Lloyd-George, chancellor of the exchequer, the House of Commons, yesterday, discussed the amendments made by the House of Lords to the old age pension bill. With the exception of a few of minor importance, the speaker had previously declared that the principal amendments, including that of Lord Cromer, were breaches of the privileges of the House of Commons. When the rejected amendments were proposed the House of Commons passed, by a vote of thirty-seven to twenty-three, refusing to accept the rejection as a precedent but the peers did not insist upon the amendments, thereby averting what might have been a disturbing crisis.

The House of Lords also passed the Irish universities bill, so both measures are now law.

Shadowing The Suspects.

London, Aug. 1.—A despatch to the Daily Mail from Petermaritzburg reports the discovery of a gigantic conspiracy to rob the Rand gold mines of fabulous sums. Gold to the amount of \$100,000 has been stolen this year and many thousands of dollars worth was stolen in 1907. Detectives are shadowing the suspects, who, it is believed, shipped their spoil to England by various routes.

Baseball On Friday.

Eastern League—Providence, 3; Montreal, 2; Rochester, 10; Baltimore, 9; Newark, 7; Buffalo, 1.

American League—Cleveland, 16; New York, 3; Boston, 9; Detroit, 5; Chicago, 4; Washington, 1; St. Louis, 4; Philadelphia, 2.

National League—Pittsburg, 6; Brooklyn, 2; New York, 9; St. Louis, 2; Chicago, 3; Boston, 1; Philadelphia, 3; Cincinnati, 0.

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Will Issue Medals.

Ottawa, Aug. 1.—It is current in military circles here that medals commemorating the Quebec ter-centenary, will actually be issued to all soldiers who took part in the celebration. Lieut. C. R. Street, last night, announced to the G.D.G.F. regiment that he had almost definite information that such ornaments would be issued.

Sale of stockings, 2 pairs, 35c.; dress shields, 2 pairs, 25c.; silk ribbons, 3 pieces, all colors, 12c. per yard; 2 underdresses, 25c.; cotton drawers, 25c. New York Dress Reform.

J. D. Loudon and E. J. Lyon, Toronto university, and F. A. Norton, McGill, have been admitted as members of the Royal College of Surgeons, London.

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BILLIONS ARE LOST.

Where Do All the Common Pigs Go to?

Everybody uses pins—men, women, and children. Everybody buys them. Everybody bends them, breaks them, knocks off their heads and loses them. They enter into every operation, from the drawing-room to the scullery. Go where you will, if you look you may calculate with certainty on picking up a pin—in the streets, in the cars, street cars, doorsteps, mats, in halls and private rooms, sticking in curtains and sofas and paper hangings, in counting houses and offices, in bookcases, boxes, baskets, luggage—they are to be found everywhere; let them get there as they may, by accident or design. Their ubiquity is astounding—and their manufacture being in proportion to it, must be something prodigious. There is no article of perpetual use with which the world is so familiar, and out of its familiarity springs indifference, for there is no other article about whose final destination man is so profoundly ignorant.

The inquiry baffles all scholarship, and one is forced to put up with the obscure satisfaction which Hamlet applies to the world of apparitions and conclude that there are more pins in unknown places and unsuspected shapes upon the earth than are dreamed of in philosophy.

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Sugar And Fruit For Horses.

Sugar is not the only food on which the horse thrives. In Egypt in the days of the pharaohs, it was largely on currants, and these fruit fed animals are noted for their endurance and speed. Figs, during the fig harvest, form the food of the horses of Smyrna. They turn to it from oats or hay. The green tops of the sugar cane are fed to the horses of the West Indies and for long weeks in many parts of Canada windfall apples form the horse's only food. In Tasmania peaches and in Arabia dates take the place of hay and oats, corn and bran.

Recipes For Long Life.

Thomas Kelly, of Ballyvaughan, county Tyrone, who at 167 climbed a ladder and repaired his own roof, is the world's first centenarian. To give to the world his recipe for old age, which is made up of "plain food, early rising, hard work, a spitting up of alcohol, plenty of fresh mountain air."

A Mrs. Mary Bradley attributed her good health at 101 to her lifelong indulgence in a daily cold bath. "Miss Eliza Works at 105 said: 'I attribute my long life to temperance habits and to my favorite diet of bread and milk. I never ate sweetmeats or drank tea or coffee.'

Pennsylvania Nature Story.

Six weeks ago a workman in the Pennsylvania repair shops in Allentown let a dozen eggs fall in an abandoned tool box. All over the eggs a heavy layer of coal soot settled.

Three weeks ago fourteen rooky chicks arrived. It was found that the steam pipes kept the temperature of the box at 103 degrees. A second hatch of twenty chicks appeared sooty but healthy. Another hatch is being prepared.

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