

A CZAR OF RUSSIA

Eccentric Alexander, II, Who Gave Freedom to the Serfs.

AND THEN CRUSHED POLAND

Out of the Reform He Started by the Liberation of the Masses Grew the Nihilist Movement, Which Brought About His Own Death by a Bomb.

It is a curious fact, says the New York City Star, that one of the great reforms that ever came to Russia was through Alexander II, a man who was born in 1818, the son of a St. Petersburg father, grown up in the atmosphere of a court which was looked upon as the seat of the government.

It came to be through him that Russia was founded in 1801, and that the Crimean war, Russia was defeated and demoralized, and it was not until 1856 that she was able to get a breathing space.

There in 1858 Alexander received a petition from a certain nobleman in Lithuania pleading for a reform in the factories, and the czar, who was a very humane man, replied with a decree that was the pulse of the nation.

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There were in Russia at that time some 23,000,000 serfs, and the czar's decree would free them from the land, but in another respect the bondage was virtually complete.

The abolition of serfdom was desirable, but the landowners, who were the wealthy class, were not so ready to let it off as far as possible.

The czar in the meantime was endeavoring to steer a middle course. It is one of the curious contradictions of his character that this man, who carried through the freeing of the serfs almost single handed, should have looked with entire coolness and disfavor upon Poland's aspirations for freedom.

And in 1831 when revolt broke out in Poland it was ruthlessly repressed under Alexander II, and thereafter every step was taken to crush the national spirit of Poland.

The last years of Alexander's life were dreary ones. More and more he yielded to depression as he saw his high hopes for Russia fall to naught.

Vanity isn't on the official list of virtues, yet unless a man has a good opinion of himself he will never amount to much.

Regard all new ways in the light of fresh experience for you; if you see any honey, gather it.

ORDEAL OF GRAMMAR.

How It Came to Be Inflicted Upon an Unoffending Public.

The world reached its highest known stage of intelligence before grammar was even invented, in which case it is not surprising that it should have been invented in the East.

I find that after three or four days of a fastidious study of the subject, I have had some curiosity to find out where and how someone a bright young man first came into being and why it ever became a school study.

ARMY DOCTORS.

Their Great Services to the World and to Medicine.

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Our army doctors are the most noble and the most devoted of men. They are the ones who have made the most progress in the science of medicine.

Having occasion to measure a circumference that figured out to tenths of an inch and a foot having a mark on these divisions, says J. H. Crows in the Popular Science Monthly.

The little boy had told a little girl that he loved her and the teacher ordered her to write I love Rosalie on the blackboard.

Little Willie, what's the name of the fellow that calls on yer sister? Little Johnny I don't know yet, Pop calls him something different every time he comes.

Head Barber: Have you any particular choice in shaving mugs? First Assistant: Not a bit. I shave them all.

This Monster Does Exist.

The dinosaur is a huge, unclassified quadruped monster. It resembles in many of its characteristics the extinct dinosaur, a huge reptile of the Mesozoic period.

It lives in Lake Victoria Nyanza and its numerous tributaries, and there is no record of the monster having been seen in any other part of the world.

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Barometer Paper.

A London taxi driver had an elderly lady as his fare the other day. On arriving at her home she gave him the legal fare—one shilling—along with a local economy pamphlet headed "How to Live on Sixpence a Day."

Two Speedy Classes. "He belongs to a fast class." "Which fast class?" "The fast class."

An Imprudent Joke. "Where are my tenets things?" demanded the wife of the professional humorist.

Two Worries. The Other Woman: Poor Henry Cash is always worrying about the money market. The Other Man: And Mrs. Cash is always worrying about the market money.

Fat Pickings. Burglar: The lawyer got me acquitted, but he took every cent I had. Pal: What are you going to do now? Burglar: I guess I'd better rob the lawyer.

As Usual. Willis: How did the anti-mobility accident go? Bill: In the usual manner, the other fellow one way and the car the other.

KICK OF THE MULE.

Is Not Treachery, but Fear, That Moves the Springs.

Handled intelligently, a mule is a most willing worker, but there are a few unwritten laws that cannot be transgressed with impunity.

After a short rest the mule will make a second attempt, but this is seldom as successful as the first.

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ENDLESS CHAIN LETTERS.

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Despotism as a Government. Unlimited power is the ideal thing when it is in safe hands.

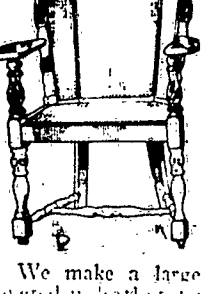
A Use For Old Rubber. Old hot water bags make the holders to use when wringing cloths out of hot water.

Tomb of a Song. The manuscript of "Home, Sweet Home" is said to be buried in a grave in a little southern "garden of rest."

Love and Friendship. Love is the shadow of the morning, which disappears as the day advances.

Good Advice. "What did the doctor say when Tom shot off some of his digits fooling with a loaded pistol?"

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Stock Quotations

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Chicago Provision Market

Table with columns for market items and prices. Includes Wheat, Corn, Pork, etc.

Lending Money.

"And now, my son," said the old man, "I must give you a bit of parting advice."

Clogged Mufflers.

The poor performance of a motor may be caused by a clogged muffler, and by increasing the back pressure the power of the engine is inevitably lessened.

Stepniak as Prophet.

A correspondent of the Manchester Guardian in England records an interesting statement made by Stepniak.

Animal Curiosity.

A cow will approach a new object fascinated, but with timorous suspicion, and a horse is even more timid.

Poise and Power.

The man of poise is the man of power. He has taken time to find himself.

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