

WRAPPED UP IN HIS HOBBY.

University of Chicago Professor Who Can Never Recognize His Pupils.

"Did you notice the old gentleman who rubbed elbows with on the grave walk path just now?" said a senior to a freshman whom he was showing about the grounds at the Inter Ocean.

FICTION STICKS TO TRUTH.

Cold Fact Is the Only Thing That Deals at All Satisfactorily with Improbabilities.

Prof. R. G. Moulton, of the English department at the University of Chicago, has a way of enlivening his lectures by pointed and homely illustrations, says the Inter Ocean.

THE WHIMS OF FASHION.

The Summer Tea-Gown and Its Uses—Cloth Gowns and Driving Overcoats.

If there is one article of dress more than another which requires that the principles of individuality should be promulgated to the fullest extent it is the tea gown, and the summer tea gown in particular.

Negligees are made entirely of lace in a loose cloak-like form, with angel sleeves and plaited fronts of chiffon.

CRITICISM FROM THE ORIENT.

A Noted Chinese Beauty Who Does Not Like the Dress of American Women.

Ah Que, a pretty little Chinese woman, the wife of Wong Kai Kee, an artist of wide reputation in his own country, has recently arrived in this country.

His Pride Forbade.

A Denver tramp the other day applied at a house which he had carefully chosen because the lawn did not need cutting nor the flower beds weeding.

Provides for the Children.

The Deutschland is the first steamship to look out for the happiness of her children passengers.

What He Wanted.

Mr. Jones—Do you extract teeth without pain? Dentist—Yes, sir—pleasant as pulling wild-flowers, sir.

FOREIGN GOSSIP.

Kissing is almost unknown in Japan. A mother never kisses her child, a lover never kisses his sweetheart.

The populations of the five largest cities of Russia are: St. Petersburg, 1,267,000; Moscow, 988,600; Warsaw, 614,750; Odessa, 404,650; Lodz, 314,780.

The fear of cholera and the plague renders many of the natives of India heartless.

During a thunderstorm near Consett, in the North Durham district, the lightning struck a pasture field and dug a trench varying from three feet to three-foot six inches deep and six or seven inches wide, across the field for a distance of a dozen feet.

One of the census takers discovered close to Fort Greene park, in Brooklyn, a man named Bremer with a sign reading "Cockroach Killer to the United States Navy."

ODD WAYS OF LIVING.

Singular Occupations Discovered by Census Takers.

New York City Has a Calling Director of Children, a Professional Cockroach Killer and a Bitter of Dogs' Tails.

There can be no better illustration of the truth of the moss-grown expression that "one-half of the world does not know how the other half lives" than is found in the discoveries made by a number of census agents recently.

For instance, who ever heard of a man in Greater New York whose sole business, unprofitable as it may seem, is the making of monstrosities?

Usually a census taker does not ask any unnecessary questions, but this one was so interested in the strange vocation of the long-haired professor that he spoke quite feelingly of what a pleasant occupation it must be.

FORESAW CHINESE UPRISING.

Chinese Gordon Long Ago Had Misgivings of a General Mongolian Uprising.

Sir William Howard Russell reports in the Army and Navy Gazette a conversation he had many years ago with Chinese Gordon just as he was starting from London for India.

The woman whose business it is to collect corks, and who is said to make ten dollars a day, is another queer one on the long list of oddities.

Close to Bellevue hospital is a woman who sells bottles. Big-hearted "Tom" Brennan gave her the idea, and also a stand close to the dispensary.

Still another odd business is that of an East side firm which is down in the book as an "ejectment company."

Well diggers are subject to many ailments besides rheumatism.

A Washington Shadbaque.

One of the institutions of Washington is the shadbaque, and the perfection of planked shad is asserted to be produced at a river landing on the east bank of the Potomac.

Mr. Jones—Do you extract teeth without pain? Dentist—Yes, sir—pleasant as pulling wild-flowers, sir.

AMERICAN ORATORS.

Methods of Men Famous in Pulpit and on Platform.

Interesting Description of Noted Orators, Lawyers and Statesmen Who Have Made Their Mark Upon the Pages of History.

In the days when Richard S. Storrs was in his maturity he was the model studied by many clergymen in the hope of acquiring themselves the secret of his art as pulpit orator.

The pulpit did not contain the only representative of this type. It was copiously illustrated at the bar by William Pinkney, who did it better than any other.

It was not until Wendell Phillips taught a new, and as many once asserted a perverted art of public speaking that there came a change in the methods that characterized the great orators of the first half of this century.

Phillips was always studying the art of oratory, and when he had an address or a lecture to prepare, it was his custom to deliver himself completely, perhaps for weeks or even months, in preparation.

When his address was delivered it was in one sense improvised, for, while the general form, the subdivisions, the line of treatment, were thoroughly established in his mind, yet he relied upon each occasion for the appropriate word.

He has been called the conventionalist of the platform, and yet close students of his methods realize that after all that was an illusion, he thereby obeying the subtler and truest of the laws of art, which is the creation of unrecognized illusions.

Everybody looked up anxiously and waited for him to continue.

"Where?" eagerly asked the boarder with the green striped shirt, speaking for his fellow-sufferers.

"At a lumber yard," cruelly replied the heartless wretch—Philadelphia Call.