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IN MIDDLE LIFE.

Age at Which Some of the Great Works of the World Were Written.

Mohammed began the koran at 35. Lord Bacon wrote the Novum Organon at 41. Sterne published "Tristram Shandy" at 46. Machiavelli completed "The Prince" at 45. Goldsmith finished "The Deserted Village" at 42. Tennyson was 41 when "In Memoriam" came from the press. Mill's "Logic" appeared at 37, his "Principles of Political Economy" at 42. Spenser published the "Faerie Queene" at 38. Persius is thought to have written his satires at 45. Goethe wrote "Wilhelm Meister" at 46 and "Faust" at 56. The first volume of the Waverley series appeared when Scott was 43. According to tradition Buddha began his revelations at 35. Maria Edgeworth wrote her story "Castle Rackrent" at 34. Isaac Newton wrote the last of his "Natural Philosophy" when he was 46. Bulwer-Lytton was 29 when he printed "The Last Days of Pompeii." Oliver Wendell Holmes wrote the "Autocrat of the Breakfast Table" at 48. Cicero is thought to have written "De Officiis" after he passed 40. Ariosto began the "Orlando Furioso" at 32 and finished it ten years later. Tacitus finished the first part of his history at 50. Livy is said to have finished his "Annals" at 50. Lamartine's poems appeared when the poet was 39. Thackeray was 36 when "Vanity Fair" appeared. Dante finished the "Divina Commedia" at about 51. Samuel Johnson published "Loudon" when he was 29. Solomon is said to have collected the Proverbs at 50. The Bucolics of Virgil were written between 43 and 47. John Bunyan finished the "Pilgrim's Progress" at 50. George Eliot, was 39 when "Adam Bede" was printed. Baxter wrote the "Saint's Everlasting Rest" at 34. Carlyle published "Sartor Resartus" at 38, and the "French Revolution" at 42. Miss Sedgwick wrote her first novel, "The New England Tale," at the age of 23. Robert Burton published the "Anatomy of Melancholy" at 45. It was written to relieve the strain of a mind laboring on insanity. Swift wrote the "Fable of a Tub" at 37. Seneca wrote "De Beneficiis" at 50. Richardson published "Pamela" at 31. Racine wrote the "Andromache" at 28. Paine wrote the "Horse-Parade" at 47. Coleridge published "Christabel" at 44. Pliny finished the "German War" at 31. Poe wrote "The Raven" in his 36th year. Confucius began his religious works at 30. Owen Meredith published "Lucile" at 29. The first volume of Indian tales from the pen of Cooper appeared when the author was 30. Jewish writers say that Isaiah wrote the famous ode on the fall of the king of Babylon at 52. Gray published his "Elegy" at 34. It is said to have occupied his time for seven years. Macaulay was 47 when he began the brilliant fragment known as the "History of England." The "Marco Bozzaris," the poem by which Halleek is best known, appeared when he was 37. Buckle brought out the first volume of the "History of Civilization" at 36. De Quincey published "The Confessions of An English Opium Eater," at 36. The "History of Ferdinand and Isabella of Spain" came out when Prescott was 41, his "Conquest of Mexico" at 47. Cooper wrote to relieve the misery of ever-impending insanity, and was 53 when the "Task" came from the press. Wilkie Collins' first novel, "Antonina," came out when he was 36. Pollock was 29 when the "Course of Time" was issued from the press. Jules Verne was 35 before he turned his attention to scientific fiction in "Five Weeks in a Balloon." Rousseau wrote the "Emile" at 50, after sending five of his own children to the founding asylum. Mrs. Somerville was 51 when her "Mechanism of the Heavens" appeared from the Cambridge press. At the age of 41 Milton issued the "Paradise Lost," which had been in preparation for twenty years.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

GREAT as has been the record for death and destruction made by Etna, it has probably been exceeded by Mount Vesuvius, the "pride of Naples." Vesuvius is much smaller in bulk than Etna, but its eruptions are more sudden and violent, and for this reason the people living on its slope and about its base have not always had the opportunity to escape vouchsafed the Sicilians at Etna. Another distinction that belongs to Vesuvius is that its first great eruption after the Christian era has been fully described by Pliny the younger, whose uncle, Pliny the elder, author of "Historia Naturalis," was killed during the eruption, which occurred in 79 A. D., and which destroyed the towns of Pompeii, Herculaneum, and Stabiae. At the time of the eruption the elder Pliny was in command of the Roman fleet which lay at Misenum, where also resided the younger Pliny with his mother. The desire of the soldier and writer to observe the terrible phenomenon got the better of his judgment, and in the pursuit of his search after knowledge he was suffocated by the sulphurous fumes. The account of his death and the tragic story of the destruction of the Roman towns are closely interwoven in the historic letters of Pliny the younger, which he addressed to his friend, Tacitus. These letters have been published by a dozen different translators. Previous to this eruption Mount Vesuvius had broken out only once before, so far as there is any authentic record. This other eruption was in 63 B. C. Since the destruction of Pompeii it has had fifty eruptions, the last of any violence occurring in 1872.

THERE has been a marked and curious change in reading habits in one of our American cities. It is stated that in the great St. Louis Public Library the proportion of books of fiction drawn for home reading has fallen from 62 per cent to only 52 per cent. Concerning this change the St. Louis Republic says: "This decrease of 10 per cent is phenomenal, more so because within the time in which it has taken place much has been done to popularize the library and encourage its use by those who, supposedly, read least. In the same time the percentage of encyclopedias and magazines in the reference department has increased from 5.11 to 13.41 of the books drawn, and there has also been an increase of nearly 7 per cent in the ratio of books on social science drawn in the total. We are unable to imagine any explanation for this other than that of the great change which has taken place in newspapers during the last ten years. Nothing is more calculated to suggest and stimulate thought than the great modern morning newspaper. In this generation the young men who have learned to read, write, and cipher in the common schools is an odd and a dollar indeed, an abhorrent effort would be thrown away if he cannot continue his education with the new papers continually reminding him of what he ought to know, and suggesting new lines of thought to him in every issue, while the great libraries are open to him to follow them out, and while books for home study, if he desires to own them, as he should, are so cheap that those who will not own them do not deserve them."

The nations of the Continent from Russia to Switzerland have their pigeon lofts as part of the military equipment, and the appropriations for testing the capabilities of the birds and for increasing their usefulness show this branch of the service to be quite as important as any other. England and America as governments, however, have not yet risen to the occasion, and all that has been done in this line has been at the individual expense and effort of those in the army and navy who have recognized a value in the service, and by private citizens who have offered their birds freely for the purpose. At one time it seemed possible that this Government would provide the means, and at the urgent entreaty of Gen. Greely, as head of the Signal Service, there was a sum appropriated which was sufficient to feed

Locomotives in Tug of War.

Owing to a dispute as to who should use the switch first, the crews of two trains that met at the Third street crossing of the North Penn Railroad instigated a novel pushing match to-day which may cost them their situations. Both engines were shifters, and each had about a dozen cars attached. They met with a slight bump at the switch, and after an exchange of warm words, each opened his throttle intending to push the other back. Both the engines snorted and puffed, while sparks flew from their rapidly revolving wheels. For several minutes neither budged an inch. Finally the camel-back was forced to give way. (Philadelphia Record.)

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SYRUP OF FIGS



Mr. CARROLL D. WRIGHT, in the Forum, enumerates the causes which tend to make the wages paid to women less than those paid to men. First he says, the mere fact that woman has come into the industrial system as a new factor is of itself sufficient to keep her wages low. Secondly, her lack of physical endurance and the assistance which she receives lowers her economic standard. Thirdly, she lacks technical training, and often is unwilling to spend time in acquiring this training, because she regards her work as only temporary, to be terminated upon marriage. Finally, the great influx of women into the industrial field has made the supply greater than the demand.

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