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NOTWITHSTANDING the indubitable fact, though diametrically opposite and contrary to well-nigh every clearly defined right and precedent, that the subject-matter herein treated in our most approved discursive style is of the utmost importance and the greatest moment, and that the startling revelations hereby made public are of immeasurable value to the human race, are moreover bound to attain that unparalleled supremacy in the world of letters which has hitherto been accorded to the epistolary efforts from our gifted pen, it must after this skilful exposition be patent to all that the aforesaid asseverations are plain, unvarnished truth.

SCIENCE

Returns having come in from our Philippine correspondents expressing their delight in our last ray from the scientific sun, we will reprint, for the benefit of those who did not see it, our leading science article on "The Economic Value of Roasted Peanuts," which appeared in our last month's issue. The argument of this essay begins with the birth of the little nut, diverging long

enough to trace its names, common and scientific, back to the old Latin root *Pindarinus Goobercentendelogareprotelariatae*, tracing its early education and environment, and finally bringing the history down to 216 Canal.

LITERARY

Owing to a severe headache on the shoulders of our contributor, there is no literary column this month. We did have something literary once, and only once. Another time our president wrote us a poem. As I said, there is nothing literary this month. That stuff under the literary cap was written by the Literary Editor.

SOCIAL

[From the *Ypsilanti Yahoo*.]

Mrs. Q. De Bullion Smythe gave a luncheon to a select party of 113 of the social lionesses of the Academy at the Comet Tuesday last. The table was set in drab and dark brown. Smiley served. One of our guards took a girl instead of a basket-ball suit to a recent