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Brevities.

Sweetening one's coffee is generally the first stirring event of the day.

De-Koven—"Is that a Jagger that I see before me?"—Rochester Democrat and Chronicle.

The first American patent to a naturalized Chinaman has just been granted. It was for an improvement in overalls.

Signor Branga has been presented by Frausin De Murks with a magnificent wreath of oak leaves and golden noorns.

An Indiana darkey says: "I've got my eivil rights to be shub, but haint my ole black toes stickin' out'n my ole bates j'at de same, all for dat pesky Freednuud's Boorow business."

The Philadelphia Herald proudly announces that 219 twins were among the productions of Philadelpbia during the year 1874. The crop will be ripe for thrashing in about three years.

For the information and guidance of the colored race, it may be as well to state now that the civil rights bill has no bearing whatsoever upon the subject of hen-roosts.

Nevada brides won't stand much foolishness at a wedding. Recently one of them, while going up the aisle of the church, tripped short and kicked all the skin off the shins of a groomsmen who trod on her trail.—Brooklyn Argus.

Tilton's fondness for children is something remarkable—especially for that wasted child. There's nothing half so sweet in life as to be read to sleep by a gushing infant of twenty-eight.

One of the most noticeable sights about Chapultepec, Mexico, is the grove of gigantic cypresses, said to be from one thousand five hundred to two thousand years old, with trunks scarred and torn by shot and shell fired in the many battles that have taken place in the immediate neighborhood. On top of the rock is the old Spanish castle, built of porphyry, marble and sand stone.

The Paris correspondent of a London paper describes a simple apparatus which seems to threaten the match trade. It is called the electrical tinder box, and is small enough to be carried in a cigar case. Opening this box you see a platinum wire stretched across. Touching a spring the wire reddens sufficiently to light a cigar. The hidden agency which heats the wire is a very small electrical battery, set in action by the touching of the spring.

Garibaldi's routine bill of fare is the following: Breakfast, coffee; dinner, soup, one plate meat or fish, fruit; supper, none. Pius IX is similarly a fruit eater, differing only from the first in being a wine-bibber, (don't call him a drunkard.) Victor Emmanuel is a heavy lover of food and wine, eating indifferently of most things, from the tripe and garlic of Piedmont to the snakes and muscols (Luilian style) of Rome, inclusive. All these are at present happily living in the latter city, after much burly and battles fought and won; and the caricaturists depict them together, arm in arm, sauntering through the Corso, with toothpicks in their mouths.

The wardrobe of Pius IX has attracted the attention of a pious Frenchman on a visit to Rome, and we gather some curious details from his letter to the Paris Figaro. The Pope wears out during the year six white silk capucines, which his holiness chiefly spoils by taking snuff. These cost Pius IX \$16 a piece. His slippers, made of red cloth, embroidered in gold, cost from \$5 to \$6 a pair, and half a dozen pairs are used during the year, while the Pope in winter wears silk stockings over cotton ones, and in summer a mixture of silk thread, for both of which he pays \$1 a pair. His holiness's remnant also, is worth \$32. His cast-off garments are always burnt, no other use being thought sufficiently honorable for the clothes which have been worn by the ruler of heaven.

A slanderous paragraphist says: "A dry goods clerk in an Iowa city lately dropped senseless behind the counter while waiting on customers. The female customer for whom he had pulled down every yard of calico on the shelves quietly requested the proprietor to remove the incumbrance and send on a fresh clerk."

A long Island man has gone to sea with his soul stirred by the story of Enoch Arden. He wants to be wrecked and come home and find his wife married to some other man.

A Stupendous Work.

It is estimated that if the English Channel is successfully tunneled, the 300,000 travellers who now cross it will increase to 3,000,000. A journey from London to Paris will then take but five or six hours, with the dredged rough sea voyage taken out. The boring is to begin simultaneously in France and England, from the bottom of two wells, 100 feet deep. The bore is to be nine feet in diameter, by machinery invented by Dickinson Brunton. The debris made from the excavation is to be continuously carried out the whole length of the bore, and the fresh air breathed by the workmen is to be continuously forced in. When Charles Dickens made Montague Tigg the projector of a plan for tunneling the English Channel he did so in the nature of a huge joke, that was intended as a satire upon some of the chimerical financial schemes of the period. Yet here, to-day, is a practical and scientifically organized scheme backed by large capital for the execution in earnest of the task he proposed in jest and ridicule. Assuredly, it is unsafe to ridicule almost anything, no matter how impracticable it looks at the moment, for posterity turns our ridicule upon ourselves.

Great Fishing in Florida.

South from Jacksonville, about two miles, is Alchua Lake. Formerly this was a prairie of over 20,000 acres of good grazing land. In the midst of it was a deep hole or land sink, of which there are a great many in the State, into which the waters of McKintey lake, situated farther north, and the surrounding country used to flow and find a subterranean outlet to the sea. About four years ago the outlet got more or less choked up, and the surplus water backing soon covered this vast tract of country, in which aqueous condition it has remained ever since, increasing and diminishing in area as the season varies from wet to dry. This lake is literally alive with fish. I have seen colored boys, with an ordinary pole, out from the woods, a line not over four feet long, and a fly rudely constructed of white and red fannel, catch eighty pounds of black bass in a couple of hours. The fish average from two to twelve pounds. An eight-pound bass is common.

Ku Klux Outrages.

The latest Ku Klux outrage is reported from Alabama. Three Radical negroes visited the house of an old colored man named Moses Teo, and forcibly taking him therefrom, and tying him across a log, whipped him unmercifully. Moses says there were four in the crowd, but the fourth man was unknown to him. The negro whipped states that the cause of this brutal outrage was that he had incurred the displeasure of these rascals (all bitter Radicals) because he voted a Democrat ticket at the last election.—Constitutionalist.

Speakers.

Somebody has examined the record and finds out that only two Speakers have been longer in the chair than Mr. Blaine. Henry Clay served in the 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th, 16th and 18th Congresses. Andrew Stephenson, of Virginia, was Speaker of the 20th, 21st, 22d and 23d Congresses. Two Speakers have served equal terms with Mr. Blaine.—Nathaniel Mason, of North Carolina, who served in the 7th, 8th and 6th Congresses, and ex Vice-President Schuyler Colfax, who served in the 38th, 39th and 40th Congresses.

Ex Senator Schurz is now in New England fulfilling a few lecture engagements, after which he goes West for the same purpose and to attend to his business affairs in St. Louis. About the 1st of May he and his family will sail for Europe, spend the summer in Germany and Switzerland, and returning in the fall, he will give up a month then to lecturing, after which he will resume his residence and editorial work at St. Louis, he being still one of the owners and editors of the Western Post perhaps the most prominent, as it is the most widely circulated, German paper in the United States. But much of his time, for the next year or two, he proposes to devote to writing his political history of the United States and other literary works which he has in contemplation. Mr. Schurz has received several liberal offers to leave politics, journalism, and literature, and go into business at New York and Chicago, but they are not such yet, at least, as to overcome his tastes and his duties in the former abundant and inviting fields of labor.

Mexico is said to be concentrating troops for a raid into Guatemala, in revenge for the execution of Don...

The Medicines Exempted Under the New Tax Law.

The commissioner of internal revenue has decided with reference to the tax upon medicines under the law of February 8, 1875, that two classes heretofore held to be liable to stamp tax are conditionally exempted.

First. Official medicines, or medicines made or compounded according to formulas published in authorized standard medical authorities, but which have been heretofore put up in a style or manner similar to that of patent or proprietary medicines in general.

Second. Medicines unofficial, or made and compounded according to unpublished formulas. In the first of these cases the condition on which the exemption is made to depend is that the formula shall be published on the label, and dispensatory pharmacopoeia, or pharmaceutical journal, or other standard medical authority where such formula is published, shall be distinctly referred to on the label. In the second case no proprietorship must be claimed, and to remove all semblance to any claim to proprietorship, or claim to have any private formula, or occult secret or art for making and preparing the same, the maker or compounder must publish on his label the exact formula which he uses, so that the medical article be free and open to the trade, if they see fit to make or compound the same article. The formulas in all cases must be published in form and manner, and indicated by such weight and measures as are generally adopted in their standard medical authorities.

An extraordinary suit is now in progress in the Chancery Court of Louisville, Ky., which from the prominence of the parties concerned and the character of the issues involved, has created a very decided sensation there. The late H. D. Newcomb, for many years president of the Louisville and Nashville Railroad, was married twice. His first wife became insane and killed two of her children, and has since been an inmate of the Massachusetts General Hospital for the insane. Several years ago Mr. Newcomb procured a decree of divorce, and was afterward married to a young daughter of a wealthy and prominent citizen of Louisville, by whom he had two children. He died last summer, leaving property of between one and two millions. One son by his first wife survived, and is practically the plaintiff in the suit, although it is brought in the name of the first wife, making all legatees and trustees of wife defendants, and is brought to declare the second marriage null and void, the divorce, it is claimed, having been illegal. The effect of a decision in favor of the plaintiff will be to declare the children by the second wife illegitimate. Able counsel have been employed on both sides.

Death Among the Four Babies.

On Monday evening Jennie, the most promising of the quartet of Hahn babies, on Low street, died of ootarrh, and two of the others, Sarah and Mary, are said to be sick. The dead baby was yesterday prepared for burial and laid in the front room. The three little sisters, who are now three weeks old, lay in the crib in the adjoining room, Sarah and Katie together at the head and Mary with Jennie's vacant pillow beside her, occupying the other end. Sarah, who was delicate from birth, has not thrived, but Jennie seemed to be growing finely until taken sick. Her funeral will take place to-day. Mrs. Hahn, the mother, is well enough to go about the house. She is a comely-faced woman of average stature. Although but thirty years of age, Mrs. Hahn has been the mother of ten children, the first being twins, born when she was seventeen years of age. She was a widow when she married Mr. Hahn.

The constant increase of bills in congress demands some remedy. In the fortieth congress, 2,498 bills and resolutions were introduced; in the forty first, 3,643 in the forty-second 4,275, and in the last congress, no less than 5,030 were presented. Of the latter number, only about 600 were passed, and of these 225 were passed during the first session. The greater part of the bills introduced are private claims, and it is urged that some different and less expensive mode of disposing of such cases should be devised. As 1,700 copies of every bill are printed, without any special order, some idea of the expense which these claims cause may be readily formed.

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Mr. Bolink's Amateur Fire Brigade.

Mr. Bolink owns and runs a cooper shop near the house of correction and as he keeps a dozen men at work, he is bound to have his shop run on "system." The other day he was reading a newspaper article in regard to the prevention of conflagrations. The article advised all employees to lay out a regular programme of what should be done when a fire was discovered in the shop, and drill his hands till they understood it. He bought fifty feet of hose for the fire brigade, detailed a man to use it in case of fire, and then instructed each other man and boy just what they should do when an alarm was given. One rolled out barrels, another to save tools, another to throw staves through a window, and each one knew exactly what to jump for.

This was all right, and Mr. Bolink had a good mind to cancel his insurance policies and depend on his local fire brigade. Before taking this step, however, it occurred to him to give his programme a trial. He had a little curiosity to see if his employees would spring to their posts according to instructions, and he studied out a plan. Yesterday morning he passed up-stairs, kicked a pile of shavings together on an old piece of zinc, touched a match to them, and next minute ran down-stairs crying out: "The shop is on fire! Fire! fire! fire! fire!"

The man who was to use the hose, grabbed it up, threw it out of the window and jumped after it shouting "fire!" until he was heard three blocks off. The man who was to save the tools threw an adz and hit Mr. Bolink in the back, and then hit him again with a draw stove.

As Mr. Bolink was pawing around on the floor, the man who was to save the ready-made work rolled five pork barrels over him, kicked in the heads of three more, and then dug out through the back door. One man saved a piece of board six feet long; another took up a stove and broke two windows before he fled, while a third threw a hammer at the clock, uttered a wild shriek, and kicked open a side door.

In two minutes the shop was clear of every one but Mr. Bolink, and he was crawling out from among the barrels when steamer No. 6 came galloping down. The smoke was falling up through the roof, the boys yelling "fire," and the firemen were determined to save that cooper shop or perish in the attempt. Mr. Bolink heard them calling to "git them hose around here," and to "pay 'em up to eighty-five," and he got to the door and shouted:

"Hold on, gentlemen: there is no fire here!"

"Git out'n the way!" cried the pipemen; "yere's your mineral water."

"It's only a joke, gentlemen; there is no—" Mr. Bolink was shouting, when the stream of water lifted him over the barrels, out of the back door, where he sat down on a broken horse, until his cooper shop had been filled with water, and the shavings had burned out. During the afternoon yesterday his whole force were engaged in emptying barrel, wringing out draw-shaves, hanging broomstaves up to dry, and otherwise getting the shop on a working basis.—Detroit Press.

Dissatisfied Bondholders of the Port Royal Railroad.

The New York Tribune says:— "Another of the now frequent meetings of dissatisfied bondholders has been called for Tuesday, March 16th, at 50 Exchange Place. The railroad is in trouble in this instance is the Port Royal Railroad of South Carolina and Georgia. According to the statement of Marx & Co., who claim to represent the bulk of the foreign bondholders, the Port Royal Railroad defaulted in its interest in 1873, and has not paid any interest since that time. They, becoming dissatisfied at the unproductiveness of the capital which they have invested in the road, will meet next for the purpose of devising measures for the protection of their interests. The plan to be presented at the meeting has not been drawn up, but it is understood that steps towards a foreclosure of the property will be taken unless some more satisfactory plan of adjustment is suggested. The Georgia Railroad Company has endorsed the Port Royal Company's bond to the extent of \$500,000. According to the financial statement made April 1, 1873, the capital stock paid in the Port Royal Railroad was 3,000,000; funded debt \$1,800,000; total cost of the road \$4,800,000."

And Maynard, of Tennessee, goes as minister to the effulgent Orient! The howling derisives chant wilder lays, and the sultan has ordered a new set of permutation looks for the doors of his seraglio.

Avoid temptation through fear that

A Man Killed by a Turkey Gobbler.

The Fayetteville, North Carolina, Gazette, of a recent date, contains the following announcement: "Died at his seat in Anson County N. C. on 20th ultimo, the Hon. Samuel Spenser, J. D., and one of the Judges of the superior court of his State. His honor's health had been declining for about two years, but he performed the last circuit three months since and we understand, intended to have left home in a few days for this town, where the superior court is now sitting, had it not been for the following accident, which, it is thought hastened his death: He was sitting in his piazza with a red cap on his head, when a large cock turkey passing, the judge, being sleepy, began to nod; when the turkey, mistaking the nodding and red cap, for a challenge, made a violent and unexpected attack on his honor that he threw him out of his chair on the floor; and before he could get any assistance, so beat and bruised him that he died within a few days after.

"Thieving in the outskirts" is the latest designation for picking Ladies' Pockets.

Josh Frazer is to be hung in Camden, on Friday next, for the murder of Benny Cooper.

A Missouri woman lived twenty-two years with three pins roving through her wasted frame.

Holland now has 12,000 windmills in operation, at an estimated annual cost of 4,000,000.

"Teak in exchange for wheat, pork or potatoes," is what enterprising dentist in one of the State towns advertises.

An insane man blew his brains out on a train on the Northern railway, near Concord N. H., and another passenger, becoming faint at witnessing the fatal deed, went on the platform for air and fell off, receiving fatal injuries.

A good little boy on Hlayne street aids to clothe and feed his widowed mother by threatening to "peg" stones at the little girls as they are going to school unless they pay him a penny a day. His ambition when he grows up is "to be a policeman."—Chicago Tribune.

Gen Lorenzo Thomas, for many years Adjutant General of the United States Army, died at his residence in Washington on the 2nd inst., aged 71 years. He was a native of Delaware, and was Secretary of War during President Johnson's administration.

The Spartanburg Herald learns that James K. Means only son of Capt. S. C. Means, about 15 years of age, accidentally shot himself a few days ago, and was killed almost instantly. He was out hunting when the lamentable occurrence took place.

"I see very little of you," said an old gentleman at a ball the other evening to a young lady whom he had not met in a long time before. "I know it," was the artless reply, "but mother wouldn't allow me to wear a very low neck dress to-night, the weather is so cold."

Judge Cook has a troublesome grand jury to deal with in Greenville. He directed them to bring in a charge against the Greenville Daily News for libel against Treasurer Runyon, which they declared they could not do. The Judge then notified them that he would hold them over from day to day, without pay, until they took action.

Mrs. James K. Polk has presented the Tennessee Historical Society with a pen made from an eagle's quill dropped by an eagle in Virginia and presented to President Polk in 1845. Mr. Polk signed his first message to congress with the pen made from this quill, the joint resolution of congress for the admission of the state of Texas, the law to extend the lands of the United States over the state of Texas, the act "reducing the duty on imports, and for other purposes," and the treaty of peace with Mexico, July 4th, 1818.

The Hartford Times reports that a young woman of that town went to inquire the price of sewing machines the other day. She asked if any deduction was made to clergymen. "Oh, yes," replied the salesman; "are you a minister's wife?" "No sir," was the answer, "I am not."

"Are you the sister of a clergyman?" "Oh, no," was the answer. "Then upon what relationship do you ask for reduction?" "Well," she replied, "I am not a clergyman's wife, or sister, or cousin, but I have just been engaged to a student in the theological seminary." She said the

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Terms—One half cash, balance on credit till 1st December with good security.

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