Scraps, Facts and Fancies. - Perfect integrity and a properly

cooked beef-steak are rare. - Corn meal should never be ground

fine. It injures its richness. - Amusements for young ladies on a wet afternoon-Knitting their eyebrows.

- To the charitable. A barrel of sugar is wanted to sweeten a gentleman who has been "sourcd by misfortune." - If a girl is unfortunately stone-blind,

let her get married-if that doesn't open her eyes nothing will. - When a soldier wants a kiss what military manœuvre does he perfoam? He

goes to the "right face." - The first law of female nature, where women are at all good looking, is self-

preservation. - People perform the greater part of the voyage of life before taking on their ballast; hence so many shipwrecks.

- Debt may be compared to a rat-trap -very easy to get into, but often requires hard squeezing to get out.

- No man is nobler born than another, unless he is born with better abilities and a more amiable disposition.

- A wise man stands firm in all extremities and bears the lot of his humanity with a divine temper.

- Night labor, in time, will destroy the student; for it is the marrow from his own bones with which he fills his lamp. - When a broker loses all his money,

he is dead broke; but when he dies, he is

a dead broker. - When a gentleman stares at a young lady, and she stares at him, they are apt to mount to the region of love by a pair

- "Were you ever cross-examined?" "Yes, when questioned by my wife, after spending the evening abroad - cross you'll soon find out."

enough, in all conscience." - Surely the most painful recollection on earth is that of having had it in our power to do good, and having neglected to do it.

- Voltaire is slightly personal, when he says that ideas are like beards-men get them when they grow up, and women never have any.

- Have you fleas?-we saw a fellow who was scratching himself industriously, and asked, have you fleas? "Fleas!" said he, contemptuously,-"stranger, do yon suppose I'm a dog!-them's lice!"

- As one single drop of black ink will tinge and pollute a vessel of crystal water, so one little act of faithlessness may for the pencil of Hogarth, surrounded by irredeemably poison a whole lifetime of all those faces in which consternation the purest friendship and confidence.

fusing to pay a doctor's bill, when he was ed wide his toothless mouth, and remainasked why he refused. "What for should ed aghast and motionless, as if his feet I pay?" said Paddy; "sure he didn't give had taken root where he stood. me anything but some emetics, and the niver a one could I keep on my stomach | said :

- House flies may be effectually destroyed without the use of poison. Take a half spoonful of black pepper, one tea spoonful of brown sugar and one of cream; mix them well together, and place them in the room on a plate, where the flies are troublesome, they will soon disappear.

- A lot of mutilated currency was received lately at the treasury department, with the following note: "To the Secretary of the Treasury-Sir: I have sent herewith some old veterans, who have done the country some service, and are ready to be mustered out."

- The pompous epitaph of a close-fisted citizen closed with the following passage of scripture :

"He that giveth to the poor lendeth to the Lord."

"Dat may be," soliloquised Sambo, "but when dat man died, de Lord didn't owe him a red cent."

- What singular creatures girls are. Offer one of them good wages to work for you, and ten chances to one if the old woman can spare one of her girls. But just propose matrimony, and see if they don't jump at the change of working a life-time for their victuals and clothes.

- "Ma," said an intelligent, thoughtful boy of nine, "I don't think Solomon was so rich as they say he was." "Why, my dear, what could have put that into your head?" asked the astonished mother .-"Because the Bible says he slept with his fathers, and I think if he had been so rich he would have had a bed of his own."

- No matter who you are, what your lot, or where you live, you cannot afford to do that which is wrong. The only with unconcern the terrors he had exci-slumber on the ocean, and where the way to obtain happiness and pleasure for ted. yourself, is to do the right think. Your first lessons in this rule will grow easier. until, finally, doing the right thing will become a habit and to do a wrong thing will seem an impossibility.

- There is a legend that one day a woman went to Brigham Young for counsel touching some alleged oppression by an officer of the church. Brigham, like a true politician assumed to know her, but when it became necessary to record her ease, hesitated and said: "Let me see, sister-I forget your name." "My name," was the indignant reply, "why, I am your wife!" "When did I marry you?" The woman informed the "President," who referred to an account book in his desk, and then said: "Well, I believe you are am called a rebel; therefore I must be right. I knew your face was familiar!" | content to remain on the fence.

The Ventriloquist and the Bear.

On a fine afternoon in autumn, a large crowd, composed of men, women and children, were seen advancing the principal streets of Hopefield, a small village in England. In the midst of them was a black bear, which walked unconcernedly along, conducted by his keeper.

This man wore a drab surtout, large enough to admit two persons of his dimensions within its folds; a waistcoat St. Cecilia. In another sense, red signiling a change of tone; Matheson as a mumuch too short, boots which only lacked the sides, and a hat grown gray with time. A young boy, with a famished look, marched in front, blowing on a flageolet, and thumbing a tamborine.

When he had arrived in front of the Red Lion, the only tavern in the village, the bear leader stopped, and forming a ring round him, ordered bruin to stand up. After branishing a stick above the head of the animal, he commenced dancing with him, and throwing himself into the most ludicrous attitudes, which bruin imitated in a style truly picturesque. The inhabitants of Hopefield appeared delighted, and the crowd laughed with good will and loudly.

A ventriloquist of joyous mood, who happened to be at the Red Lion, beheld from a window this ludicrous scene. Having arrived that morning at Hopefield, he had already formed a just estimate of the ignorance and credulity of its inhabitants; and the idea occurred to him

He left the window, and joined the crowd of spectators, and, availing him. self of a cessation of the shrill flageolet signify purity of life, and mourning or and noisy tamborine, he approached the humiliation.

"Your bear can, doubtless, speak?" said he, with a serious air.

The showman looked at him cunningly, shrugged his shoulders, and answered roughly: "Speak to him yourself, and

This was just the reply the ventriloquist expected. He approached bruin, and assuming a most comical expression, he said to the bear, in a droll tone of

"Allow me to compliment you, Mr. Bruin; you are as graceful as an opera dancer. What country claims the honor of your birth?"

A voice which seemed to issu from the grisly jaws of the bear, replied: "The Alps, in Switzerland."

We will not attempt to describe the amazement of the crowd; every one was struck mute with fear and astonishment; but the surprise of the showman would have offered an admirable subject was so strongly depicted. His eyes seem-- An Irishman was summoned for re- ed starting from their sockets; he stretch-

The ventriloquist turned to him and

Then turning again to bruin, he cb-

served, in a kind tone: "You look sad; are you not well?"

the spleen," replied the animal.

Here the affrighted crowd began to

to this master?"

of him."

"Is he not kind to you, bruin?" "Oh, yes-as kind as the hammer is to scientific facts in support of his argument.

the anvil." "Will you not seek revenge some day?" "Assuredly-one of these mornings I

will eat him like a radish, for my break-

At these words, the crowd, whose curiosity had urged them, in spite of their fears, gradually to approach, now suddenly fell back on each other, and great was the confusion that ensued. The showman had heard enough, and forcibly drew the chain of the animal, to enforce

by this experiment, turned suddenly mocking us with their unapproachable about, and hurried toward the tavern .-This augmented still more the tears of the of human beauty are presented to our spectators, and each one took to his heels, view, and then taken from us, leaving the as if the bear were in pursuit of them.

inn, laughed heartily to see the simple are born for a higher destiny than that the imperturbable bruin remained seated | rainbow never fades, where the stars will on his hind legs, seeming to contemplate be set out before us, like islands that

During the evening, the ventriloquist stood at the door of the tavern, around which many of the inhabitants had gathered. The theme of conversation was, naturally, the adventure of bruin. It was commented upon, and exaggerated, according to the various degrees of the fears of the beholders.

joke had been carried far enough, ex- an exchange: plained how he had played upon their

- Gen. Longstreet was recently serenaded in Natchitoches, where he was on business. In his acknowledgment he said: I have no platform upon which to address you. If I approach Mr. Johnson I am in the shape of a bird's nest, with a small called a traitor; if towards the Radicals I

SYMBOLIC MEANING OF COLORS. - White man, humility; in woman, chastity. -

the Holy Spirit, heart of the Creative it as a sign to clevate the voice. The aupower and royalty. White and red rose thors of the Septuagint translation appear express love and wisdom, as in the gar- to have regarded it as a musical or rythfies blood, war, hatred and punishment. | sical note equivalent, perhaps, to the word Red and black combined were the colors repeat. According to Luther and others

Yellow, or gold, was the symbol of the sun, of the goodness of God, of imitation or marriage, faith or faithfulness. In the recognizes in every case "an actual anyellow mantle over a blue tunic. Yellow calls for aid and prayers to be heard, exalso signifies inconsistency, jealousy, de- pressed either with entire directness, or ceit; in this sense it was given to Judas, if not in the imperative, "Hear, Jehovah!" who is generally habited in yellow.

it is the color often worn by the martyrs. Black expressed the earth, darkness, Selah a vigorous blast of trumpets. morning, wickedness, negation, death; and it was appropriate to the Prince of to amuse himself a little at their expense. Darkness. In some old, illuminated flowing rivers, made flinty rocks gush manuscript, Jesus in the temptation wore into fountains, quenched flames of fire, a black robe. White and black together

> little fun at home, good people. Don't from eternity, conquered the strongest shut up your house lest the sun should devils, commanded legions of angels down fade your carpets, and your hearts lest a from heaven. Prayer has bridled and hearty laugh shake down some of the chained the raging passions of man, and musty cobwebs there. If you want to routed and destroyed the armies of proud, ruin your sons, let them think that all daring and blustering atheists. Prayer mirth and social enjoyment must be left has brought one man from the bottom of home at night. When once a house is of fire to Heaven. What has prayer not regarded as a place to eat, drink and done? sleep in, the work begins that ends in Young people must have fun and relaxation somewhere; if they do not find it at night, and make the homestead delightdomestic fireside.

REMARKABLE DOCUMENT .- One David Quinn, of Chicago, has just published, in pamphlet form, a memorial to Congress, "Your bear speaks very good English, advising the re-establishment of negro tofore been considered. It hold that men company; don't hang about loafing are divided into species and have different places. Better work than sit around day natures; that the negro finds his civil after day, or stand about corners with man undergoes a change in America your own health-better for your own which makes slavery essential; that the prospects. Bustle about, if you mean to French in Canada and the Spaniard in have anything to bustle about for. Many "It is a long time since you belonged Mexico have degenerated, and that the a poor physician has obtained a real panative people of the Northern United tient by riding after an imaginary one. "Quite long enough for me to be tired States are now three inches less around A quire of blank paper, tied with a red PHENIX AND GLEANER the chest than the Europeans. The au- tape, carried under a lawyer's arm, may thor brings forward many historical and procure him his first case, and make his

> IMMORTALITY.-How very beautiful the following gem, and how happy the heart that can see these beauties. It is refreshing to read such. Its exquisite beauty will induce many of our readers, no doubt, to transfer it to their Scrap Books:

"Why is it that the rainbow and the cloud come over us with a beauty that is and leave us to muse on their faded loveliness? Why is it that the stars, which his control, but the wearied bear growled hold their nightly festival around the midnight throne are placed above the The ventriloquist, perfectly satisfied reach of our limited faculties, forever glory? And why is it that bright forms thousand streams of affection to flow back The ventriloquist, having arrived at the | in Alpine torrents upon our hearts? We villagers flying in every direction, whilst of earth. There is a realm where the beautiful beings that pass before us like a meteor, will stay in our presence forever."

- A Mississippi paper has the following: The false calves are rendered necessary by the new style of "tilting hoops" which go very far towards exposing what was before only dreamed of, or existed The ventriloquist, thinking that the only in imagination. In the language of

> "These calves are not a fleeting show, For man's illusion given, They're filled with bran or stuffed with tow, And swell about a foot or so,

And look first-rate, by heaven."

The false bosoms are made of fine wire, spring to them, and really look and feel

"SELAH."-The learned are divided in was the emblem of light, religious purity, opinion as to the meaning of this word, innocence, faith, joy and life. In the which occurs so often in the Psalms. The judge it indicates integrity; in the sick Targums, and most of the Jewish commentators give the word the meaning of Red, the ruby, signified fire, divine love, eternally, forever. Rabbi Kimehi regards land, with which the ancients crowned mical note. Herder regards it as indicatit means silence. Gosenius explains it to Blue, or the sapphire, expressed heaven | mean, "Let the instrument play and the and the firmament, truth, constancy and singers stop." Wocher regards it as equivalent to sursum corda—up my soul. Sommer, after examining all the seventyfour passages in which the word occurs, picture of the apostles, St. Peter wears a peal or summons to Jehovah." They are or awake, Jehovah, and the like, still ear-Green, the emerald, is the color of nest addresses to God that he would respring, particularly hope of immortality, member and hear, &c. The word itself and of victory, as the color of the palm he regards as indicating a blast of trumpets by the priests. Selah, itself, he Violet, the amethyst, signified love and thinks an abridged expression used for truth, or passion and suffering. Hence, Higgaion Selah-Higgaion indicating the sound of the stringed instruments, and

- Prayer has drained seas, rolled up muzzled lions, disarmed vipers and poisons, marshaled the stars against the July 1...... 8 wicked, stopped the course of the moon, arrested the rapid sun in his great race, Fun at Home.—Don't be afraid of a burst open the iron gates, recalled souls

- In one of William Wirt's letters to gambling houses and reckless dissipation. his daughter, occurs this beautiful passage "on the small, sweet courtesies of life:" "I want to tell you a secret. The

way to make yourself pleasing to others, Therefore let the fire burn brightly at world is like the miller at Mansfield, July 15 to August 15......20 "who cared for nobody; no, not he, beful with all those little arts that parents cause nobody cared for him." And the perfectly understand. Don't repress the whole world would serve you so, if you buoyant spirits of your children; half an gave them the same cause. Let every hour of merriment round the lamp and one, therefore, see that you do care for fire light of home, blots out the remem- them, by showing them what Sterne so brance of many a care and annoyance happily called the small courtesies, in during the day, and the best safe-guard which there is no parade, whose voice is they can take with them into the world too still to tease, and which manifest is the unseen influence of a bright little themselves by tender and affectionate looks, and little acts of affection, giving others the preference in every little enjoyment, at the table, in the field, walk-

ing, sitting or standing." Don't be a Loafer.-Young man, pay fortune. Such is the world; to him that hath be given. Quit dreaming and com plaining; keep busy and mind you

a Radical newspaper a poem entitled "Our | terms. Late Lamented President." After the verses were published, the office was thronged with the "loyal" inhabitants, each one of whom, immediately on arrival not of the earth, and then pass away, informed the editor that the poem was an acrostic, naming Jefferson Davis as the ' late lamented.

- A colored barber of St. Louis has been compelled to go into court to prove cates, that he was not a member of the Tennessee Secession Convention, nor a captain in the rebel army. A white namesake of his had enjoyed these experiences, and the authorities finding some property in Topeka, Kansas, which belonged to the colored Dromio, attempted to confiscate it.

- A new pomade for the hair is called The Great Head Scenter."

- A man who had a scolding wife, being asked what he did for a living, replied that he kept a hot-house.

- Beautiful was the reply of a venerable man to the question, whether he was still in the land of the living-" No, but I am almost there."

- There are 3,000,000 acres of public lands in the Southern States to be disposed of under the new homestead law just signed by the President.

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