

PROFESSIONAL SECRECY.

A Case Before a French Court in which it was stated in life insurance. We learn from the Union Medical that a case was lately tried before a French court in which the secrecy imposed upon medical men by the law was pleaded by a physician as his justification for refusing to certify as to the nature and duration of the last illness of a man who had insured his life in the sum of 10,000 francs.

A SCENE FOR AN ARTIST.

A Sharply Drawn Contrast Between Hopeless Uselessness and Industry. Clouds of smoke belched from a gravel heap on Fifth avenue, opposite Delmonico's. A furious fire was roaring in a section of iron tubing under the heap, which it was heating to a proper degree of caloric to be of use to the street paving men.

SHAVING A DEAD MAN.

A Loquacious Brooklyn Barber Gives a Bit of His Experience. A loquacious barber informs me that his most trying experience is in shaving dead people. He says on this cheerful subject: "You would be surprised to notice how fastidious some people are about the tonsorial treatment of their dead."

1836 || SWIFT'S SPECIFIC || 1886. A REMEDY NOT FOR A DAY, BUT FOR HALF A CENTURY RELIEVING SUFFERING HUMANITY! S.S.S. AN INTERESTING TREATISE ON BLOOD AND SKIN DISEASES SENT FREE TO ALL APPLICANTS.

New Store! New Goods. J. C. PIKE, LEADER OF LOW PRICES AND DEALER IN Staple and Fancy Dry Goods. Clothing, Notions, BOOTS, SHOES, HATS, CAPS, ALSO GROCERIES, PROVISIONS, &c. Russell Street.

Troubled in His Lungs. I had occasion last week to call on a man of business in the Standard Oil building. I found him in his private office, with the end of a section of rubber pipe, such as is used on extension gas lights, in his mouth. The other end fitted in a metal plate in one of the panes of the window nearest to his desk.

White Hands Coming into Fashion. The remarkable discovery has recently been made that "white hands are coming into fashion again." It would seem that hands have been growing less white than they used to be, and have suffered from too great attachment in ladies to lawn tennis and boating and other masculine accomplishments.

A New Way to Get an Appetite. This morning a dyspeptic looking man entered a blacksmith shop at Rondout. He waited until the blacksmith put a hot shoe to the foot of the horse that was being shod, when he bent and drew in with his nostrils several draughts of smoke that rose from the burning hoof.

AND Improved Front. The "GOLD" SHIRTS ARE MANUFACTURED FROM Wamsatta or New York Mills Muslin and the best 2200 power Loom Linen. They have four-ply raised edge Linen fronts, Linen lined patent reinforced backs, four-ply neck bands with hand-made buttonholes and continuous facings in back and sleeves.

Wheat, Rye and Oats Seed. FOUTZ'S SEED WHEAT, does not rust. CAROLINA GROWN RYE, well cured. RUST PROOF OATS, good color and grain. All in store for the fall planting. MACHINE OILS, &c., &c. A clear, good oil for lubricating at 50 cents. TRAIN, NEATFOOT, COTTON SEED, LARD and Engine heavy.

Phenomenal Growth of a Town. Durham, N. C., is another southern town which has had phenomenal growth. In 1870 its population was only 250; now it has a population of 6,500, with 2,000 or 3,000 just outside the corporate limits.

Queer Business Ideas. A Georgia newspaper illustrates the average southern negro's poor business ability by telling of one who asked the price of coats in a store. The store keeper offered him various garments ahead for cash, but the darky would not buy, and finally the merchant picked out a coat that cost him \$1.65 and offered it to the negro for \$10, agreeing to take \$2 in cash and trust him for the balance.

A New Society Wrinkle. The society young man will surprise the girls with a new wrinkle this winter. Let it be only faintly whispered, but they will powder their hair. To be prematurely gray is to be in the height of fashion.

THE TEA POT. Peter C. Brunson Announces that he has opened the TEA POT UNDER WAY'S HALL, And invites an inspection of GOODS and PRICES. I have determined to start out by giving the BEST VALUE for the LEAST MONEY.

Cotton Gin Insurance. I am writing on Cotton Gins, Cotton in store, and every class of farm property. John A. Hamilton. BRADFIELD'S FEMALE REGULATOR. A Specific for all diseases peculiar to women, such as Painful, Suppressed, or Irregular Menstruation, Leucorrhoea or Whites, etc.

Photography by Phosphorescence. The researches of M. Ch. Zenger have shown that many substances absorb luminous rays during the day and at night emit these rays in such a manner as to impress photographic plates, although they may not be perceptible to the eye.

A Leaky Barrel. I. C. Gorsuch caught a lot of eels in fish pots in the Susquehanna, put them in a barrel, and started to carry them up the bank. The bottom of the barrel fell out, and, despite Mr. Gorsuch's best efforts, every eel wriggled back into the river, and he now knows what he's talking about when he says "as slippery as an eel."

Why the Vanderbilt Gallery is Closed. It is a well known fact that Mr. Vanderbilt had to close his gallery to the public on account of the way the privilege of visiting it was abused. Although he only admitted the public by card, and the people who visited his galleries were supposed to belong to the better class, they were so rude and so disrespectful in the treatment of his property that he was obliged to close his doors against them.

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Gold Mines in South Africa. Marvelous accounts are given by the English papers of the richness of the gold mines in South Africa. The Sbeba mine is apparently enough to supply the world with the precious metal forever. The formation on one side of a thirty-five foot reef has been carried away, leaving exposed a mass of gold quartz, which, at a rough calculation of sixteen cubic feet to the ton, will yield 1,000,000 tons of "payable" stone without sinking one single inch below the level of its exposed base.

Smelted by a Lightning Stroke. The applications of electricity become more varied every day. Air pressure, heat, steam pressure and water stages at distant points are now recorded by its use, and now a California electrician has invented a process whereby gold, silver and copper can be instantly smelted by a lightning stroke.—Boston Budget.

The Giant Tramp. William Duinn, the gigantic tramp who was locked in the "dead man's room" in the City hospital because he refused to crack stone for three hours, was released this morning. William not only refused to crack stone, but also to eat or sleep. He would not eat because he had not earned the food, he said, and he would not sleep because he feared the bed was not clean. He is believed to be a specimen of a new genus of tramps. The official figures show that William is 6 feet 7 inches in height.—Elmira Gazette.

JAMES VAN TASSEL. For sale. THOROUGH BRED JERSEY Calves. One yearling registered Jersey Bull. Registered Ayrshire heifers. Several grade heifers as also several Milch Cows in milk. Apply to E. N. CHISOLM, Rowesville, S. C. Clay Land for Sale. ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY or two hundred acres of clay land for sale at a low figure.

Cost of Being Fashionable. Kate Field says that the woman who aims to be fashionable might as well commit suicide at the start. She must neglect home, husband children, put away comfort and convenience, be a first class hypocrite and a good slanderer, and at the end of ten years become a physical wreck.—Detroit Free Press.

Educative to the Masses. George M. Pullman was lately asked whether he did not think the railway carriages so numerously built for the general public by his workmen unnecessarily elegant and rich. "I consider such cars educative to the masses," was his reply. "To many a man or woman it is a look at comfort and luxury that is their ideal. They dress themselves better to travel, behave more courteously in a handsome vehicle than a tasteless and cheap one."—Boston Budget.

MELLICHAMP'S HIGH SCHOOL. ORANGEBURG, S. C. THE SEVENTEETH ANNUAL Session of this School for Boys and Girls will commence on Monday, September 6th. CORPS OF TEACHERS. STILES R. MELLICHAMP, Principal. MISS F. L. MELLICHAMP, Assistant and Teacher of Music. MRS. P. C. BRUNSON, Assistant. MISS LIZZIE S. DEXTER, Teacher of Calisthenics.

Power for Arc Lights. It is estimated that at the present time not less than 14,000 horse power, derived from water falls, is in use in the United States and Canada for driving dynamo machines. Nearly the whole of this power is employed for arc lights.—New York Mail.

A Rich Man's Sensitiveness. After the death of S. H. Thompson, a well known restaurant keeper of Chicago, \$134,000 in bills were found in his safety deposit vault. He could not write, and it is thought that his sensitiveness on this point led him to keep his money in bills rather than let it be known that he could not write a check. If the old gentleman had not thus tied up his fortune it is thought that he would have been worth \$500,000.—New York Sun.

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A Boston man makes the following calculations in regard to the 250,000 edition of The Century: "The weight would be 187,500 pounds, or about ninety-four tons. The magazines, piled one over another, would make a pile 8,312 feet high, fifteen times as high as the Washington monument, or fifty-five times as high as Bartholdi's Liberty. Placed end to end the magazines would reach a distance of thirty-nine miles. The sheets of white paper, before folding, would cover 307 acres, or placed end to end would extend 1,130 miles, way across the continent. A cylinder press making 10,000 impressions daily of an eight page form would be kept busy for over two years in printing the edition."—New York Tribune.

A Famous Girl. The nurse of the baby Alfonso XIII of Spain is a famous girl now. When the royal youngster received his three decorations from the King of Portugal she exclaimed: "Now I trust his little majesty will keep his nose clean."

When the Ex-Empress Smiled. John S. Barbour, of Virginia, has been talking to George Alfred Townsend. He said that Mrs. James Brown Potter created a good deal of a sensation on the other side of the water. She went to Osborne to read to the queen and ex-Empress Eugenie by invitation. Mr. Barbour said that it was stated in London that Eugenie, who had seldom smiled or laughed since the death of her son, did both when Mrs. Potter read.—New York World.

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Whitelaw Reid's new Madison avenue house in New York resembles a royal palace more than anything else. It is a mass of costly marbles, cedar, mother-of-pearl and rich frescoes.—Chicago Herald.

An Unusual Honor. Miss Dora Wheeler, daughter of Mrs. T. M. Wheeler, of the Associated Artists, and recipient of several art prizes, has been elected a member of the Society of American Artists—a very unusual honor.—Harper's Bazar.

How Would They Know? Some New Yorkers want church bell ringing abolished. How would a man and his wife who are punctually in their seats at the opera three or four nights a week, fifteen minutes before the curtain rises, know when to start for church if it were not for the ringing of the church bells?—Norristown Herald.

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Fish for Winter Storage. Last year the owner of a refrigerating establishment at Sturgeon bay, Wis., froze fifty tons of fish for winter storage. This year he expects to freeze twice as many.—Chicago Herald.

Tallest Boy in the Country. George Kersoy, the son of Dr. Kersoy, of Lancaster, Pa., is said to be the tallest boy in the country. He is 13 years old and seven feet high, and he has an older brother who measures six feet three inches. The father and mother are each six feet tall.—Detroit Free Press.

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Mr. Wilson Barrett's first performance of "Hamlet" in Boston was critically observed by four of that city's most expert brain doctors, who by odd chance were seated side by side.

Turned On the Gas. A young man in Lancaster, Pa., before going to bed the other night hung his pantaloons upon the gas jet. The weight of the clothes opened the stop, letting the gas out, and the young man was found dead the next morning.—Chicago Times.

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