

Personal Mention.

—Mr. J. A. Spann has returned from a trip to New York.
—Rev. J. B. Holly, of Augusta, was in the city yesterday.
—Miss Irene Cochran, of Charleston, is visiting Miss Ethel Bamberg.
—Mr. A. A. Forman, of Sumter, spent Sunday and Monday in the city.
—Mr. H. N. Bellinger, who has been sick for several days, is out again.
—Miss Allie Gooding, of Allendale, is in the city visiting Miss Ruth Riley.
—Rev. Peter Stokes and family left last Friday for a visit to relatives at Williams-ton.
—Mr. J. E. Salley, of Orangeburg, spent a short while in the city yesterday morn-ing.
—Miss Carrie Gerard, of Charleston, is visiting Miss Annie Laurie Rice in the city.
—Mr. D. H. Counts, Jr., of Laurens, is spending some time in the city with re-latives.
—Mr. D. A. Kinard, of McLaurin, is on a visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Kinard.
—Col. Jno. F. Folk has gone to Chick-amauga as a member of Governor Hey-ward's staff.
—Miss Marie Brown, of Beaufort, is spending some time with Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Garland.
—Mrs. Harry Antley and Miss Burnice Horger, of Jamison, are visiting Mrs. Jesse C. Folk, Jr.
—Misses Pearl and Alma Black are at home from Walterboro, where they have been visiting relatives.
—Auditor R. W. D. Rowell attended the meeting of the State board of equalization in Columbia last week.
—Mr. W. A. Klanber returned Monday from a trip to Baltimore and New York, where he went to buy fall goods.
—Mrs. Herbert Zeigler, of the Cope section, is in the city on a visit to the family of her father, Mr. D. F. Hooton.
—Messrs. C. R. Clayton, G. L. Kinard, Isaac W. Carter, and Geo. J. Hiers, of the Ehrhardt section, were in the city Mon-day.
—Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Felder, of Mullins, visited relatives here this week. They left Tuesday for the mountains of North Carolina.
—Mr. and Mrs. James A. Williams re-turned Tuesday from a visit to Tybee. Mr. Williams is sick, being confined to his bed.
—Misses Bessie Lee and Nell Black are at home from Buffalo, where they have been visiting their sister, Mrs. L. E. Wig-gins.
—Miss Pauline Folk and Master Jimmie Folk, of Ehrhardt, spent last week in the city with their brother, Mr. Jesse C. Folk, Jr.
—Misses Nettie and Evie Free returned Monday from a trip to Barwell and Hampton, where they visited relatives and friends.
—E. T. La Fite, Esq., has gone to Glenn Springs to recuperate. He will not be able to appear at many of the cam-paign meetings.
—Mr. W. L. Mitchum, of the firm of Mitchum Bros., prominent merchants at Ehrhardt, was in the city yesterday, on his way to Charleston.
—Mrs. John Cooner returned Monday night from a stay of three weeks at White Sulphur Springs, Mt. Airy, N. C., and the mountains of Virginia.
—Mr. W. D. Rhoad attended the Knights of Pythias district meeting at Aiken Tuesday as a representative from Bamberg lodge. He reports a nice time.
—Messrs. T. D. Beard, of Colston, and Frank Hiers, of Ehrhardt, were in the city Tuesday. Mr. Beard was on his way to the Knights of Pythias district meet-ing at Aiken.
—Mr. F. D. Knight, of Sumter, manager of the Herald Publishing Co., with his little son, Jenkins, spent Sunday in the city on a visit to the family of his brother, A. W. Knight.
—Mrs. Morris Mirmow and little son, Master Eddie, returned home last night from Bamberg, where they spent the day with Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Pearlstein.—Or-angeburg Evening News.
—Mrs. Hebron Berry and little son, who have been on a visit to the family of her father, Mr. A. H. Bruce, returned to Branchville Monday. Mrs. Berry's health is very much improved.
For the first time since the reconstruc-tion days a negro has announced himself a candidate for lieutenant governor of Alabama. He is a Greensboro negro politician who addressed himself to the chairman of the republican party of Ala-bama stating he is in the race. The re-publican party recently decided to put a full state ticket in the field for the first time in years.
Former State dispensary director H. H. Evans is a candidate for the legislature from Newberry. Of course he favors the dispensary and says there is no corruption in its affairs although it's no Sunday-school.
Crop Condition is 82.9 per Cent.
WASHINGTON, Aug. 3.—The crop report-ing board of the bureau of statistics of the department of agriculture, in a bulletin issued at noon today, finds from the reports of the correspondents and agents of the bureau that the average condition of cotton on July 25 was 82.9, as compared with 83.3 on June 25, 1906; 74.9 on July 25, 1905; 91.6 at the corresponding date in 1904, and a ten year average of 82.4.
The following table shows condition on July 25 of this year with the respective ten year averages:
July 25, Ten-Year
State. 1906. Average.
Virginia..... 83 86
North Carolina..... 75 85
South Carolina..... 72 83
Georgia..... 74 84
Florida..... 72 85
Alabama..... 83 88
Mississippi..... 88 81
Louisiana..... 88 82
Texas..... 86 80
Arkansas..... 89 82
Tennessee..... 88 85
Missouri..... 95 86
Oklahoma..... 92 86
Indian Territory..... 85 88
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The Drainage of Bamberg.

Editor The Bamberg Herald:—If you will give me space I would like to say something in regard to the all important subject of draining thoroughly the town of Bamberg. As we can all see now, the city made a great mistake when they tried to carry the water through the canal at new bridge. If you will think of it, the new bridge is considerably up the country from Bamberg, it being west of north, and is just at the beginning of the red clay ridge which crosses the State from north-east to south-west; this ditch runs up the river from Bamberg, when it should have gone down. Had this ditch gone into G. Frank Bamberg's field and, instead of turning to the left through the Jones Bros. and Thos. Black ponds, both of which are already ditched, en-tered and enlarged the ditch from the nur-sery down through the Hunter Branch to the crossing of Cannon bridge and Charleston and Augusta roads, the town would have been perfectly dried with much less cost.
Being very much interested and having had considerable experience in this line of work, I have gone over both routes and carefully noted the fall. The differ-ence in the two routes is so great that you do not need the use of instruments to note it. If the town will call for bids to drain it and pay no money until it is done, I feel sure that it will be done for much less than was paid for the work that is no good. You cannot make water run up hill, so when you ditch see to it that the mouth of it is lower than the head.
The Edisto is said to have about ten feet fall to the mile, and the distance be-tween the mouth of these ditches, would be 1 1/2 or 2 miles.
J. M. J.

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The Wit of Fox.

Charles James Fox, the famous English Advocate of a century ago and his secre-tary, Mr. Hare, who lived with him, were both noted for their impecuniosity, and their creditors spent much time in dun-ning them. One morning before day-light there was a violent ringing at the door, and Mr. Fox, going to the window found a group of creditors below.
"Are you fox hunting or hare hunting this morning, gentlemen?" he asked.
"Come, now, Mr. Fox," one of them called up, "tell us when you are going to pay that bill. Just set a date and we will leave you in peace."
"All right," was the reply. "How will the day of judgment suit you?"
"Not at all," said the creditor. "We'll all be too busy on that day."
"Well," said Mr. Fox, "rather than put you to any inconvenience, we'll make it the day after."

The Situation.

"Why don't you get married, John?"
"I only earn \$100 per month."
"Can you live very comfortably on \$100 per month."
"That's just it. Two can't."

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SLIPS OF NOVELISTS

LEGAL MISTAKES THAT HAVE BEEN MADE BY GREAT AUTHORS.

Dickens and the Famous Case of Bardell Versus Pickwick—The Trial Scene in Reade's "Hard Cash." Trollope's Dip Into the Law.

"Legal fictions," says one of Gilbert's gondoliers, "are solemn things." Yet it is curious how seldom a novelist ventures into a law court without driv-ing his quill through acts of parliament and rules of law alike.

That Dickens' knowledge of law, like Mr. Weller's of London, was "exten-sive and peculiar" is amply demon-strated by the famous case of Bardell versus Pickwick. Students of that re-port may have been struck by the fact that neither plaintiff nor defendant ap-peared in the witness box. The ex-planation is that at that time parties "upon the record" were not competent witnesses, their interest in the case be-ing regarded as too strong a tempta-tion to, shall we say, inaccuracy. But had Dickens been a lawyer Mr. Winkle and his friends might also have been spared the ordeal of cross examination and their friends and admirers de-prived of many merry moments.

In his anxiety to satirize the abuses of cross examination Dickens over-looked the legal rule that the counsel who calls a witness is not permitted to cross examine him at all, but, on the contrary, is bound by his answers; therefore had Serjeant Buzfuz per-mitted the Pickwickians to be called as witnesses for the plaintiff (which he would have known better than to do) their version of the words heard through the door "on the jar" must have been accepted, and at the first at-tempt to badger either of them it would have been the learned counsel for the plaintiff who received his lordship's in-junction "to be careful."

But all lovers of Dickens will rejoice at his ignorance of the rule which forces counsel never to call a hostile witness. Who could bear to be de-pleted of the evidence of Mr. Samuel Wel-ler?

Exactly the same mistake is made by Anthony Trollope in his well known novel, "The Three Clerks." There the hero, Alaric Tudor, is placed upon his trial for misappropriating trust money and defended by that famous leader, Mr. Chaffanbrass of the Old Bailey. Tudor's Mephistopheles, the Hon. Un-decimus Scott, is called, much against his will, as a witness for the defense. Cross examined by the celebrated Chaf-fanbrass, forced to confess his mis-deeds and dismissed covered with ignominy, to be subsequently expelled from his club—poetic justice which would have been defeated even by a chairman of quarter sessions.

The great theoretical and practical knowledge of law possessed by Charles Reade saved him from this error, as from many others. Yet the famous trial scene in "Hard Cash" would have been ruthlessly deprived of its most dramatic moment by any judge of the high court. When the hapless Alfred Hardy, who has been wrongfully im-prisoned in an asylum by his wicked father, comes at last to establish his sanity before a jury, his case is closed by the reading of a letter from his dead sister. Writing at the point of death, she solemnly denies his insanity and begs him to show her words to his accusers when she is no more. Read aloud by the judge himself, her letter reduces a crowded court to tears and goes far to secure her brother a trium-phant verdict, with heavy damages.

"Hard Cash" is termed "a matter of fact romance;" but, as a matter of fact and law, no such letter could have been received in evidence. Knowing that, under ordinary circumstances, such testimony would be inadmissible, Reade is careful to establish that the writer knew herself to be dying; but he was unaware that a "dying declara-tion" is only admissible in evidence upon a charge of murder or man-slaughter of the person who has made it, and cannot be laid before the jury in any other case whatever.

Numerous and entertaining are the trial scenes which adorn the works of Mrs. Henry Wood, but they hardly pro-fess to be strictly accurate. Let me point, rather, to an interesting slip on the part of that most careful of novel-ists, David Christie Murray, who shares to some extent the popular con-fusion on the subject of the law of libel and slander. His powerful story, "A Capful o' Nails," has for its hero a working nailer, who becomes an agitator on behalf of his much op-pressed class. In consequence of a speech denouncing an unscrupulous employer he is prosecuted on a charge of criminal libel; but, thanks to a faith-ful friend and a smart lawyer, he emerges triumphantly.

No fault can be found in this case with the way in which the villain is cross examined to pieces. The diffi-culty is that no such prosecution could have been instituted at all. You may slander a man by defamatory speech, but to libel him you must "write, print or otherwise permanently record" your defamation of him, and, though slan-der and libel alike may expose you to an action for damages, it is libel alone that can bring you within the grasp of the criminal law.

It is difficult to uphold this distinc-tion. A libel is regarded as a public crime as well as a private wrong be-cause it tends to produce a breach of the peace, but one would think as much might be said of slander. Still the distinction exists, and the ag-gressor who confines his attack to words may suffer in purse, but not in person.

Such are a few of the slips to which the novelist is liable who unwarily trespasses upon legal preserves.—Pear-son's Weekly.

THE SUNDIAL.

It Should Be Marked For the Lat-titude In Which It Stands.

In an old shop in lower New York a man keeps up his trade of dial making. The dials, square, octagonal or cir-cular, are hand chased. They do not re-ceive a high polish, and any acciden-tal effect of weather stain or other "tone of time" is carefully preserved if not skillfully added. These dials, fitted with the gnomon or stylus, are then artfully slipped into the show windows of uptown curiosity shops among a selected debris of Sheffield plate, prism candlesticks, inlaid tea caddies and old blue plates.

A visitor to one of these shops asked: "How old is that brass dial over there? It's all hand work, isn't it?"

"It's all hand work," said the proprie-tor, whom we will call Truthful James. "I can testify to that, for I know the man whose hands made it. It's about a month old, if you want to know. You're like lots of other people—you want an old Scotch or English dial. Don't you know it would be useless, if you found it, for practical purposes? Excuse me, but haven't you ever stud-ied geography and heard of latitude? A dial ought to be marked out scienti-fically for the exact latitude in which it is to be set up. So unless you strike the same parallel in the states that the dial left in England it will tell lies from morning till night. You'd be sur-prised how many people pick up a dial that strikes their fancy which perhaps stood in the garden of an old Virginia estate, intending to hurry it off to the big grounds of some place in Minneso-ta; or they'll snatch at some quaint dial from New England, with the idea of rigging it up in Texas.

"More people would make the same blunder, except that many haven't caught on to dials. Too bad. Nothing is prettier than a simple dial at the crossways of garden paths, or by a fountain or on a terrace or at the en-trance of a pergola or near a rustic seat or arbor. You don't have to hire a head gardener and two assistants to keep a sundial. Marble platforms and pedestals are very grand, but unless you're running a big Italian garden with clipped hedges and yews and statues something simple is what you want. The dial will keep just as good time, once it's engraved right, if it's mounted on a tree stump, with ivy planted round it, or on a bowlder, or on the coping of an old disused well, or on a column of cobbles mortared together, or on top of the old hitching post that the family doesn't use in these auto-mobile days, but doesn't want to root up and throw away.

"You'd be surprised at the ingenuity of some people," said Truthful James, who himself seemed of ingenious bent. "I mean people who haven't much money to spend and are fond of their own old stuff for association's sake. They're the ones who get effects with a piece of junk, a lump of sentiment and a pocket of small change that can't be bought with a blank check. I've known people who used an old mill-stone to set the dial on, or who laid a slab over an old stone garden urn, or who saved the capitals from pillars on a house being torn down, or who even rigged up a standard from the bricks of a chimney on an old homestead that had meant a lot to them. One family made a sort of cairn out of a geology collection some ancestor had formed. Another took a flag pole for the gnomon and laid out a dial with pebbles in the grass around the pole.

"No, it doesn't require any skill to set up the dial. Get the noon mark for the gnomon on several days, nick it on the slab and then set the dial in a bed of cement. There you are."—New York Post.

The Laundry Auction.

"Ever go to a laundryman's auc-tion?" asked the man who was sorting bundles. "You can get bargains there sometimes. Here are forty-eight pack-ages that will be sent to the auction-eer tomorrow. One bundle is labeled 'W. Joblotz. No address. Will call.' Now, I wonder what has become of W. Joblotz, who had no address and prom-ised to call? What has become of the owners of these forty-seven packages? Some of the things thrown on our hands are very fine and as good as new. Just look at that pile of hand-kerchiefs and those shirt waists and collars and cuffs. It has been more than a year since they were left here. All unclaimed packages are kept a year or more, then they are sent around to a general receiving station to be disposed of at auction."—New York Sun.

Archbishop of Canterbury.

The archbishop of Canterbury is re-ferred to as "his grace," and he writes himself archbishop, etc., "divina pro-videntia," whereas other prelates use the phrase "divina permissione." He is the first peer in the realm. At ce-re-monies he places the crown on the head of the sovereign, and the king and queen are his domestic parishioners. The bishop of London is his provincial dean, the bishop of Winchester his subdean, the bishop of Lincoln his chancellor and the bishop of Rochester his chaplain.

No Use For Them.

Canvasser—Madame, I would like to show you the beautiful silver forks that we are giving away with every half dozen bars of Skinfynt soap. Lady of the House—We don't never eat with forks in this house. They leak.—Wo-man's Home Companion.

Enough.

"I'll never ask another woman to marry me so long as I live."
"Refused?"
"No; accepted."—London Tit-Bits.

The angels may have wider spheres of action, may have nobler forms of duty, but right with them and with us is one and the same thing.—Chaplin.

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