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Poetry. PAT'S SPEECH OF HEAVEN.

I dreamed I went to heaven one night, And knocked at the big white gate, And the good St. Peter he opened it, But he told me I had better wait.

I saw the martyrs of olden time, The saints and angels fair, And millions of millions of young spalpeens All playing about in the air.

Now Joseph the carpenter bowed, and said: "It is turn't me out you name? Sure, I'll go at once, if you think it best, And niver a word complain; Here he winked his eye and smiled, And 'twould break up your whole institution, shure, If I took my wife and her child."

STORY. A NIGHT OF TERROR.

This night, which will dwell in my memory with vivid distinctness while life and reason are left me, was in October a long while ago. I was at that time a telegraph operator, stationed at a little town upon the Grand Trunk line of railroad.

Being the only man employed in the telegraphic business in the town, I was obliged to remain constantly in the office during the day and part of the evening, and Alice herself brought me my dinner and supper.

"No; I have not." "It was a special providence took me there, then. One of the great masses of rock has rolled down direct-ly across the track. It will be as dark as a wolf's mouth to-night, and if the midnight up-train comes without warning, there will be a horrible smash-up."

THE BELLE OF CORKSTOWN.

There's a noise young gentry in Corkstown, Dressed out in silk and grime, Wan of the prettiest Irish gentry That ever you was sane.

Live Within Your Means. Live within your means. This is a good rule for office holders and business men generally. When the man of moderate income endeavors to live as expensively as a man of wealth, his future can be easily written, a little enjoyment, periods of anxiety, burdensome debts, a desperate struggle to keep appearances; ultimate bankruptcy, and the red flag to notify the neighbors that the sheriff is master of the situation.

While we spoke my wife's fingers had first untied the handkerchief from my neck, and then, in the dark, found some of the knots in the cords binding me. But I was still tied fast and strong, when there was a rush of feet upon the staircase and in another moment light and joyful voices.

How Gunn Took Smith's Life. The life insurance agent, Benjamin F. Gunn, the other day, heard that old Mr. Smith had no insurance upon his life; so Gunn concluded to stop in to see him.

According to the Fashion. She wore a round hat put upon the back of her head like the aureole of a saint, to whom her sweet face gave her an appearance of kindness.

Less than two hundred years ago the whole of Manhattan Island was sold for a barrel of rum and other trifling articles. To-day it has a population of nearly 2,000,000, and the value of real estate, including buildings, is assessed at \$800,000,000.

Farm and Household.

There will be over a million of trees planted this spring in Michigan. These are worth a million dollars when successfully growing, and will increase a dollar to a tree each year for twenty-five years.

Another important item is cultivation. A newly-planted tree should have a regular culture as a hill of corn or potatoes. To set trees in, in oats or wheat, is a very bad practice, and is the cause of many failures. It is as unreasonable to expect a tree to flourish on ground not cultivated as it would corn or potatoes.

Application of Lime. E. H. Libbey, in a recent number of the Scientific Farmer, from an investigation of the nature and action of lime, draws the following conclusions in regard to its application to the soil.

Take Care of Your Health. Mr. Money-Get works and delves his sixty years, and makes enough to satisfy himself; but he does not see it so. He wants to put another thousand out at ten per cent., and on he goes, day after day, hard at work, a slave to money, until one day he dies suddenly in his work, his poor heart tired out, and his friends find him in his old working suit, a very sincere offering to wealth.

Care of the Hands. A most excellent ointment for hands that are scratched, burned or sore is thus prepared: Take three drachms of camphor gum, three of white beeswax, three of spermaceti, two ounces of olive oil—put them together in a cup upon the stove, where they will melt slowly and form a white ointment in a few moments.

Apples Most Profitable. The Country Gentleman says that after all the experiments that have been made in the last forty years in marketing apples, pears, grapes, strawberries, etc., fruit growers seem likely to fall back on the apple as the profitable fruit for extensive and general culture.

Berrien Co. Record. JOHN G. HOLMES, Editor. WEDNESDAY MORNING, MAY 11, 1876.

The Iowa Republicans are in favor of Blaine.

Congress adjourned on Tuesday to again on the 12th. The members will visit the Centennial in the interim.

Delegates from St. Louis to the annual Republican State Convention will be divided between Blaine and Fremont.

Chicago has elected new city officers and received their bonds. It is expected that all will now go smoothly in their city government for a time at least.

\$200,000 of the \$800,000 of gold on board the steamer Schiller, the English coast, has been recovered.

A severe shock of earthquake was felt in various parts of Australia, on a 20th ult.

The Governor of Massachusetts has vetoed the bill legalizing the marriage of James Parton with his op-daughter, on the ground that it was beyond the constitutional power of the Legislature.

The south-bound mail train on the Illinois Central, Saturday, was struck by the storm near Neoga and lifted completely from the track. Several persons were injured, among them Dr. Doyle, Secretary of State of Wisconsin.

The House special committee on Mississippi levees have agreed to report a bill to the House appropriating \$2,000,000, of which \$800,000 is for furnishings and \$1,200,000 for Arkansas. The House Appropriation committee is at work on the Indian bill, and expect to have it ready to present on the return of the members from Philadelphia.

Senator Sargent submitted to the senate on Monday last, a resolution setting forth the injury resulting to California and other of the Western States, from Chinese emigration, and asking that a bill be passed placing restrictions upon the emigration of Chinese to this country.

The shooting match at Indianapolis Friday, May 5th, between A. A. Bogardus, of Illinois, and Wm. G. Fries, of London, England, for the championship of the world and the English game, 100 birds each, resulted as follows: By the English rule, from five raps, thirty raps, Bogardus, 41, Fries, 38. Fifteen pairs, 18 raps, Bogardus, 24, Fries, 21. Twenty single birds, 21 raps, Bogardus, 19, Fries, 15. Total—Bogardus, 94, Fries, 72.

The members of the Grand Rapids Sportsmen's Club want the law for the protection of game so amended as to prohibit the netting or snaring of pigeons during the months of April and May, and to prohibit the use of nets or fire-arms, or other engines of destruction, anywhere within two and one-half miles of the nesting. They claim that the wholesale slaughter of pigeons, for instance, at Shelby, Michigan, county, from which 36,000 pigeons are shipped daily, are made by men who are non-residents of the State, who make it a business to follow the pigeons up from the South, and who, out of the proceeds of the slaughter, leave nothing in the State but their scanty board bills. And yet these men are actually favored by the law, to the exclusion of our own sportsmen, and are afforded to go within two miles of the roost, while gunners are limited to five miles.

Piper, the fiend incarnate, has at last confessed that he murdered the innocent child, Mabel Young, in the belly of Warren Avenue Church, and also that he brutally murdered Bridget Landgren at Dorchester, December 6th, 1873, and further, that he was the assailant of Mary Tynes, July 1st, 1874. The child, Mabel, was beaten to death with the bat afterwards found in the belly. He seems to have had no motive for the crime except a love of bloodshed and pure fiendishness. Like the boy murderer, Jesse Bonemey, he has completely deceived his counsel, who believed innocent up to the time the confession was made to Mr. Brown, and they were preparing to argue a motion for a new trial. "The motion will not be made, however, and the world will be rid of the monster on the 26th inst., when he will ornament the end of a rope.—Post and Mail.

An affray took place between R. H. Crandall, a carriage maker, and T. J. Bradley, dealer in second-hand clothing, in Battle Creek, Saturday morning last, which came near proving serious. Crandall left a coat with Bradley to sell, some three years ago, which he claims Bradley never paid him for, and on the other hand Bradley claims Crandall came and took it away. The men have frequently had disputes about the coat. Saturday morning when Crandall was going to work he passed Bradley, in his hand a screw-driver, in his hand a game in abundance, within twenty miles of Custer.

The Indians have run off about 500 head of stock, as near as I can learn, this winter, and two dashes were made after them last week, but without effect. Several people on their way in from the north, and out have been killed or wounded. On last Sunday four persons were killed; Mr. and Mrs. Mety, from Fort Laramie, going out at Red-Canon, and a colored woman, Mrs. Mosby; three others wounded, two of which have since died, and the other will probably die. Three others wounded on Monday last, were at Buffalo Gap,

on the way in. Our City Mayor, Dr. J. G. Bennis, is not standing, and all are out of danger. Several others have been killed or wounded from time to time, in the last three or four weeks, and I will tell you why these people get hurt; they come in in small parties of from five to ten and without proper protection, in fact, nine men came here from Cheyenne, three weeks ago with one shot gun, and still they are alive.

No party of less than twenty-five or fifty should attempt to come here, and every man should have a good rifle, three months' provision and a little ready cash; then they are fixed. Gold cannot be picked up every day, and it may take a man two or three months to find the pay streak, and then if a man has a little ready money he can purchase a nice little home—a little new log cabin the hills—and a good lot, 50x150 feet, or if he wishes to pull up stakes and go on a steamship he can pay his freight or buy a pony.

My reason for making these remarks is this: because every day, we see men arrive here who worked their way through and have not enough rations left to feed a chipmunk, and because they cannot procure labor at \$5 per day, return by first freight and curse the country. We actually know of a man who refused \$2.50 per day and board until the mines would be properly opened, and although he went back to a bit to eat he refused and went back. The sooner our eastern friends realize the facts regarding this country the better for them and for us.

Capt. Jack Crawford is our chief of scouts and a member of the Board of Trustees. He is a natural, practical genius. He was appointed by Capt. Wynkoop, of the Black Hills Rangers, a company of minute men recently organized, and has the entire confidence of the people, as he has proven himself a gentleman and is always first in the saddle to "go for" thoreads. He has sent six of his scouts to-day to reconnoiter and find out the camp of these raiding thieves and murderers, and will make it warm for them when their haunts are known. Capt. Jack was voted a fair compensation for his services at the last meeting of the City Board, but promptly refused any compensation save feed for himself and horse, at the same time remarking, "Gentlemen, I shall exact pay from the Sioux, and if my boys and I do not clear 'em out and lift some of their hair, we don't want your thanks, even." To-morrow Jack will superintend the erection of a stable and stockade in the center of the city, and fifteen good citizens have offered their horses to remain saddled and bridled to follow any party of Indians who may hereafter be found in the vicinity, and you may rest assured you will hear something interesting from the boys in my next letter, provided this is acceptable. Capt. Jack has written to Gen. Crook, offering the services of himself and scouts to assist in whipping the northern Sioux. Our minute men are also ready to receive orders from Crook and are commanded by a fine officer, Major Wynkoop, of Colorado. A fight is reported to have taken place at Red Canon this morning. Five Indians were killed and one white man wounded. We propose to protect emigration as far as it lays in our power, and have sent men out to Buffalo Gap and Red Canon, the two worst places in the Hills for that purpose. Hoping you will forward paper regularly, and that everybody in Buchanan are alive and kicking, I remain, Yours truly, RANGER.

The Depreciation of Silver. There is an article in a late number of Macmillan's Magazine which gives some interesting and important statistics about the production of silver, and what becomes of it. The annual product has increased gradually but largely in the United States since 1870, but it has remained about the same in Mexico, South America, and other countries. The total product of the year 1875 was \$16,000,000, as against \$15,000,000 in 1874, about the same in 1873, \$12,750,000 in 1872, and \$11,600,000 in 1871. That is to say, the latest and largest product was about \$80,000,000 more than the average annual production during the past five years of about \$55,500,000. Of this, India and the East have absorbed on an average \$39,000,000, leaving \$41,000,000 to be cared for by other countries. This production did not seem to be excessive till Germany demonetized silver, which suddenly threw about \$300,000,000 of silver on the market. This unusual surplus, along with the proportionate absorption of gold in Germany to take the place of the demonetized silver, and the increased production of the American mines, occasioned by a remarkable decrease in the gold mines, which was accelerated by the panic feeling resulting upon the marked change in values. It is suggested in the article we have referred to that India demonetize silver—that is, make it legal tender only for small sums; but this would be manifestly a bad policy. It is not apparent what could be done with the surplus silver, and the depreciation would be more rapid and disastrous than ever. India may suffer some loss in exchanges incident to the late depreciation, but that people would suffer tenfold more, and be the cause of their own misfortunes, if they should be the price of silver still further by demonetization at home. It is now the depreciation of silver being brought into circulation in the United States, and the consequent demand there will be for from \$100,000,000 to \$150,000,000, has already made a change. Silver is now worth a couple of pence more per ounce than it was just after the German demonstration, and the prospect is now that, without any other unusual disturbance in the market, it will continue to enhance in value. We have the testimony of Senator Jones, of Nevada, an expert, that the exhaustion of the principal American mines now operated can hardly be foreseen, and the present indications from the Pacific coast in mining stock confirm the statement. Meanwhile, the commercial uses for silver will increase, so that there is no reason to apprehend a very long duration of the present depression.

On the contrary, it is reasonable to presume from past experience, that silver will gradually appreciate, and thereby relieve the political economists from their present embarrassment.—Chicago Tribune.

Collecting the Public Revenue. We have the official announcement that during the month of April the public debt was reduced \$2,781,181, and that during the same month the receipts of internal revenue, as compared with the month of April of last year, showed an increase of \$8,500,000. It will be seen, that had it not been for this increase in internal revenue, there would have been a deficiency in the Treasury, instead of a reduction of the public debt.

The increase in the receipts from internal revenue, which will be conspicuous, is due to the activity and energy with which that branch of the service has been administered since the Secretary of the Treasury broke up the great whisky conspiracy and the frauds in the tobacco business. The internal revenue service has been always more or less corrupt, especially in the collection of revenue from spirits and tobacco. From 1865 to 1868, when the tax on spirit was two dollars per gallon, the Government was notoriously robbed of the great part of the revenue. The then Secretary, Mr. McCulloch, though an able and an honest man, had a less perfect system of law, and lacked the mental power and nerve to enforce it. He was not, moreover, the kind of man to grapple such an organization. His successor, Mr. Boutwell, who was a man of unquestioned integrity, who had better laws, reformed the business for a while, but as early as 1871 the robbery had been resumed on a large scale. Under Mr. Richardson, of course, the ring did pretty much what it pleased. It was not until Mr. Bristow succeeded to the office, bringing with him intellectual vigor, dauntless courage, and a high regard for freedom from all personal and political entanglements, which would stay the hand of justice or seek to screen the guilty, that any earnest movement was made for reform. He at once entered upon a thorough search into the secret operations of the whisky revenue services, and, one year ago, he started the country by the arrest of scores of guilty officers and others, and the capture of many distilleries and an immense stock of illicit spirits. It was a bold movement, requiring undoubted pluck. It was a direct assault upon the strongest existing auxiliary of machine politics. It was the capture of the Ring's treasury, through which all manner of corruption in politics was accomplished. The Whisky Ring was powerful in every sense. It had a cash capital of not less than one hundred millions of dollars. It included, besides those who actually engaged in manufacturing a large body of influential politicians, including local political leaders, newspaper editors and proprietors, and a force of Federal officers, all of whom were active politicians, and this force of Federal officers extended through all the Departments of the Government, reaching to the very ante-room of the Executive office. It had an immense fund at its disposal. The men directly and indirectly engaged in it were so many political machines; they made political deals, nominated Congressmen, packed conventions, stockaded Legislatures, dictated Governors, controlled caucuses, and selected Senators, besides, in a general way, managing municipal elections, and they constituted as a political power a force which required the utmost courage to attack, to pursue, to indict, to convict, and to punish. The Radical Kentuckian, who all this time bravely avowed the abolition of the Republican principles in the very center of a slave-holding population, was just the man for this emergency. He was satisfied there was fraud, and that the Treasury was robbed, and, knowing it to be his duty to break up the corrupt conspiracy and punish the guilty, he did not hesitate in his action. He struck his vigorous blows without asking who might be crushed; he caught the Federal officers and powerful politicians with the plunder in their hands; he purified the legal branch of the service, and one hundred and more convicts, either by confession or verdict, attest how earnestly the work has been done. In like manner he broke up the fraudulent transactions in tobacco, and uprooted the systematic undervaluations and smuggling at the New York Custom-House. He, for a time, largely suspended the manufacture of whisky, but he has succeeded in having the tax collected. He has furnished hundreds of convicts for the courts to punish; he made defrauding the revenue disgraceful, dishonorable, and unprofitable. He has made the corruptists disgorge their plunder; he has placed honesty where dishonesty once had absolute sway. He has broken up the pay department of political corruption, and dislocated much of the machinery by which State politics have been controlled and Congressmen made and kept in office. He has done the country a great public service, and has accomplished it in the face of the open and indirect opposition of all the machine politicians of both parties, the President alone giving him moral and official support. Were it not for these reforms in the collection of revenue, whereby that which was once lost is now collected, it is probable that, in view of the falling off of importations, there would be now a deficit in the revenue. He has to a large extent purified the branch of the civil service immediately under his charge, and gives the best practical indication of how he would carry out that reform under enlarged powers. He has in the great work he has accomplished stepped heavily upon the toes of the conspicuous friends of many politicians, and has thereby evoked their bitter enmity. But the great mass of the people regard him as the faithful public officer, who dared to assail organized fraud, and who brought it to justice, and who has given direct evidence of his fitness for the present time, when official corruption threatens to overwhelm the Republic itself.

It is claimed that Membrino Gift, the great Flint horse, has the finest three heat record in the world. His second heat, in 2:20, is only equaled by one other horse, Saugler.

The difficulty which we predicted has arisen in the business of substituting silver coin for fractional currency. Although silver coin has become so depreciated with its recent abundant production and its demerit in Europe that it is now worth about two per cent. less than greenbacks, measuring both by the gold standard, the new silver which has been issued by the Treasury Department goes out of circulation as fast as it is issued. Its novelty causes everybody who gets a dollar or two to keep it as a curiosity. Many people are also hoarding it up in the belief that it is either now or soon will be worth more than paper money—thus illustrating the fundamental popular faith in a metallic currency, of intrinsic value, which all the sophisms of Kelley and Carey will never remove. From these combined causes the silver disappears as rapidly as it reaches the people, just as a rivulet of water would be absorbed in the shifting sands of the Great Desert. Meanwhile, as silver is only issued in exchange for fractional currency, the result of the present experiment is a somewhat rapid contraction of the latter, while the silver issued to take its place does not practically circulate. There has thus been created a famine of small change, and both fractional currency and silver command a premium in New York city and other business centers.

This stringency of small change will of course pass away as silver is more freely issued, the novelty of it wears off, and people become convinced that it will remain in circulation, and that they can gain nothing by hoarding it. It will take a month or two to reach this result, but it can be reached if the supply of silver is kept up. The great trouble with the present mode of issue is that it is too slow. The silver dripped out, and the demand is ten-fold greater than the supply. If it could be poured out by millions, its very abundance would prevent the rush for it, and the popular demand would soon be satisfied. We therefore regard the bill introduced by Mr. Payne of Ohio from the Committee on Banking and Currency, to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to issue ten million dollars of silver in exchange for greenbacks, and requiring that the greenbacks thus received shall only be re-issued on the retirement and destruction of a like sum of fractional currency received in payment of dues, as an excellent measure. It will at once relieve the scarcity of small change, for it allows the issue of silver without immediately retiring a like amount of fractional currency. It will also, in connection with issue of silver already provided for, make that coin so plentiful that there will probably be no further hoarding of it. It will thus almost entirely do away with the inconveniences of the transition state from fractional currency to silver change which we are now suffering from.—Detroit Tribune.

Practical Questions Settled about the Centennial Exhibition. As there is considerable doubt expressed throughout the country as to the Centennial Exhibition being ready to open on the 10th of May, we have taken pains to inform ourselves on the subject, and give as authority some extracts from the official report of John Welsh, Esq., President of the Board of Finance, which has just been published. On the point of readiness it says: "Notwithstanding hindrances to our progress, our buildings and grounds are in an unusual state of forwardness as compared with other International Exhibitions at that place. Hard times, nor will they prevent the punctual observance of the appointed day for opening, 10th of May."

On the subject of hotel accommodations, the report says: "At one moment great anxiety was felt lest there should be a scarcity of accommodations for visitors. It has been entirely removed. Hotels of very large capacity have been erected in the immediate vicinity of the Exhibition and throughout the city. Old ones have been enlarged, and by the agency of an enterprising association very large numbers of private dwellings, of which Philadelphia has sixty thousand more than any other American city, have been utilized for the purpose, so that under no probable circumstance can any inconvenience occur for want of comfortable accommodations."

"The strongest assurance is felt that the charges will be moderate. In the matter of the charge for admission, a fifty-cent payable on the gate admits to the grounds, and there is no further charge. A visitor can enter one building or all of them as he sees proper. We quote the text of the report touching this question: "In the arrangements connected with the entrance and exit of visitors, exhibitors, and employes, the greatest simplicity has been aimed at. Each class will use special gates. The ticket for visitors will be a fifty-cent note, and if not in the possession of the visitor it can be obtained in exchange for other money at an office near each gate. Children pay the same as adults. To vary from a uniform price entails so many inconveniences as to forbid it. Fifty cents for a nine hours' visit to a museum of the products of the world, distributed among beautiful buildings and on grounds of surpassing attractions, must be satisfactory to every one. Such exhibitors and employes as are required on the grounds will be furnished with special tickets. Properly authorized representatives of the press, within reasonable limits, will be recognized as entitled to free admission."

Upon the invitation of the Washington County Pioneer Society the "annual society gathering" of the State Pioneer Society will be held at the city of Ann Arbor, on Wednesday, the 7th day of June next, commencing at ten o'clock in the forenoon. It is hoped that arrangements will be made with the various railroads for tickets at reduced rates. The pioneers of the State and the public are invited to participate in the festivities of the occasion.

Also, Agent for the Carpet Rag Looper, which will attach rags, threads, lint, and other waste, and will be sold by one of our agents, Buchanan, Mich.

The Lack of Small Change. One of the saddest accidents that has occurred among our citizens who are engaged in the fishing business took place on Thursday afternoon last. The threatening appearance of the weather caused all the fishing crafts to seek safety in the harbor, and all but one succeeded in doing so. The boat owned by Wm. Johnson failed to get in before the storm broke, and without a doubt all on board were drowned. When last sighted she was about seven miles out, and apparently for refuge. After the squall had passed over the tugs went in search of the boat, but although continued until far into the night the search was fruitless. Friday morning the search was renewed and fish-boxes and other things known to be on the boat were found. The supposition is that boat was swamped by the gale, and being heavily ballasted sunk leaving those on board struggling in the water, and finally sinking in a watery grave. On board the boat were Wm. Johnson, the owner, Chris. Meeklenburg, Daniel Smith and Edward Litta, three of whom leave families. The entire community mourn the sad accident and deeply sympathize with the bereaved families of the lost ones.

STATE ITEMS. Work has commenced on the new national exchange bank of Albion. The Bronsonites are having a lively fight over the cow question. Cows out or cows in is the question.

The Catholics here thought the old school-house in Cassville and converted it into a church at a cost of \$1,400. The "Dioterschoolology" will give an entertainment soon. Shoot that name.

A boy named Byron Houghtaling was kicked so badly at Coldwater last week by another boy, that his life is despaired of.

Kent county farmers report that they are plowing up great numbers of potato bugs all in a remarkably fine and healthy condition.

Sheriff Woodin, of Monroe, and three of his deputies, weigh together 1,000 pounds, an average of 250 pounds apiece.

A sheep shearing festival, under the auspices of the Marshall gang, was held in Marshall on the 6th inst. The largest sheep exhibited weighed 128 pounds; fleece 2 1/2 lbs.; owned by C. A. Miller, of Marengo. The weight of the heaviest fleece sheared was 2 1/2 pounds.

A bold thief entered and robbed the Columbaville ticket office in broad daylight last week. He secured a gold watch, but was afterward himself secured.

The earnings of the D. L. & L. M. R. R. for the year ending Dec. 31st, were \$789,704, a net decrease of \$115,393 over the earnings of the previous year.

A man named Sundry, of Battle Creek, was lately fined \$25 and costs for spearing fish in Gogouac lake, near that place, in the month of April, in violation of the State laws.

Genesee county has had its Democratic Convention and the following delegates were elected: First district—Josiah Buckbee, James Lawther, J. P. Worden, and James Glass; second district—E. H. Thompson, W. A. Asford, Jerome Eddy and J. B. Garland.

A white-oak tree was recently cut on the farm of Warren Thompson, Osseo, in which about two-thirds of a horse shoe was found imbedded. It was thought the shoe had been hung on a limb near the body of the tree, and the wood had grown over it. The grain of the wood indicates that the shoe had been there 37 years.

Mr. E. A. Carter, of Kawkawin, says he has in his possession the following old coins: One of Constantine, who reigned from A. D. 306 to 337; one of Constantius, who reigned from A. D. 292 to 306; one of Probus, whose time of reign was from A. D. 276 to 282; one of Gaius, from A. D. 252 to 268; one of Commodus, from A. D. 180 to 192; and the boss one of Claudius Cesar, whose reign was from A. D. 41 to 54. He says also that he has "the identical coin which Peter took from the fish's mouth," but he don't say which Peter.

A large bear, on the 20th inst., came within three rods of John Brent's house in Eden and drank from a spring in full view of Mr. B's family. A small child was at one time within a few feet of the bear, supposing it to be a dog. Bruin offered no disturbance to the family, and after drinking his fill left and has not been seen since.—Ludington Record.

The Cheboygan Free Press gives the following account of the condition of things in that place. Hard times, say: "We haven't got any butter, we haven't got any beef, and the boys only cackle for the fun of seeing us go to the nest and come away disappointed. For the past ten days no butter could be bought in Cheboygan, and the consequence has been that all who hadn't laid in a good stock of that main stay to the staff of life have had to seek their bread in hair oil as a substitute. Now we suppose our exchange will say something like this: "Up in Cheboygan they use hair oil for gravy." "But what can a fellow do if he hasn't got no butter? Lard and salt might do if we didn't have bar's grease, but when we can buy a bottle of highly scented oil hair invigorator for twenty-five cents, who's going to pay 60 cents for a teaspoonful of lard?"

MIDWIFERY! MRS. MARIA DUTTON, MIDWIFE AND NURSE, AGENT FOR THE Cyclopaedia of Things Worth Knowing, or 25,000 wants Supplied.

Errors of Youth. A GENTLEMAN who suffered for years from nervous debility, from a young age, and who had tried every remedy, was cured by the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. He writes: "I feel now as well as I ever did, and I am able to do my work as usual. I am glad to say that I have cured myself, and I am glad to say that I have cured myself, and I am glad to say that I have cured myself."

BUCHANAN PRICES CURRENT. 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Sunday Reading.

GOLDEN WORDS. All our lives were one broad glare of sunlight, clear, unclouded...

Wise Sayings. The love of the people is the most sublime crown which can rest on the brow of any man.

A grain of prudence is worth a pound of craft.

He who is learned and does not teach is like a myrtle in the desert.

What is called conscience is in many instances only a wholesome fear of the constable.

Hope never hurt any one, never yet interfered with duty; nay, always struggled to the performance of duty, gives courage, and clears the judgment.

There are heads sometimes so little that there is no room for wit, sometimes so long that there is no wit for so much room.

Laziness travels so slow that poverty overtakes him.

Let no man who wants to do anything for the soul of a man lose a chance of doing something for his body.

Faithfulness and sincerity are the highest things.

We often live under a cloud, and it is well for us that we should do so.

Uninterrupted sunshine would parch our hearts. We want shade and rain to cool and refresh them.

The shadows of our own desires stand between us and our better angels, and thus their brightness is eclipsed.

I will listen to any one's convictions but pray keep your doubts to yourself. I have plenty of my own.

There is no humility that is very oppressive. I heard a person say, for example, "I delivered an address at the laying of a foundation stone; and from beginning to end I never used the word 'I'." To know that he used it was to use it.

Of all the portions of our life, spare moments are the most fruitful in good or evil. They are the gaps through which temptations find easiest access to the object of the soul.

The making one object, in outward or inward nature, more holy to a single heart, is reward enough for a life; for the more sympathies we gain or awaken for what is beautiful, by so much deeper will be our sympathy for that which is the most beautiful—the human soul.

Temptations are true tests, and accordingly are often the best friends we have. The man or woman who has no temptations can never know the strength of principle he or she may possess.

It is brought out when it is beset by an enemy. The world likes the strong and the good, but it never sees it till it has shown itself by severe contact and struggle with the opposing elements and seen no severe trial, as it were.

To some people refinement is natural, and virtue easy. The more you study them, the more fully you know them in the structure of their disposition, the more you are compelled to admit that sin is unnatural to them.

They were born with God's grace in their hearts, and consecrated in their very birth to purity. We have known women to float through life as a white lily on a darkened stream,—beings of beauty and grace, buoyed up so airily by the natural incensements of their virtue, that not a drop or stain might touch or soil the exquisite whiteness of their souls.

But others are precisely the opposite to this. By nature they seem prone to evil. They are like the same lily anchored by the forces of its position in a current where it is swayed from side to side and buffeted, and there is not a moment in which it is not threatened with submersion. Some are born solid in their characters. They are based on morality as a pyramid is based on a desert. Neither wind nor rain, nor the converging pressure of many wicked influences, can move them an inch. Others are like reeds and rushes by the river-side, weak and willowy; they cannot stand alone, but must stand in contact with and supported by many others if they stand at all.

At a late informal meeting of the clergy of New York City belonging to one of the leading denominations, attention was drawn to the fact that the religious awakening had been general and wholesome during the last winter, yet there had been no marked application of its practical lessons to public morality and to the outrages upon rectitude in high quarters of natural influence.

The suggestion was made that the clergy of all denominations might file with a protest against this corporation, and in a call for civic reform upon grounds of Christian ethics. The subject was left in the hands of a committee, with power to do whatever seemed to them best after consultation with men of judgement and character.

"A Drop of Joy in Every Word"

FLEMINGTON, (London), G. N. J., June 28, 1877. Dear Sir—It is with a happy heart that I pen these lines to acknowledge that you and your Golden Medical Discovery and Purgative Pellets are blessings to the world.

When a medicine will promptly cure such terrible eating ulcers and free the blood of the virulent poison, causing them who can longer doubt its wonderful virtues.

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THE PRIEST SAID I MUST DIE. Dr. Bowyer, Dear Sir—Having suffered for years with Rheumatism, and having about five weeks ago had a unusually severe attack, so that I was unable to get up or move without the most excruciating pain...

DIPHTHERIA CURE. Dr. Bowyer, Dear Sir—About the 15th of September my family were all taken down with Diphtheria. First my wife, then my children, and finally myself...

Frazier's Root Bitters. The Best Blood Purifier and Strengthening Medicine the World Produces. They are now used by Millions of People in America, also have found their way to Foreign Lands.

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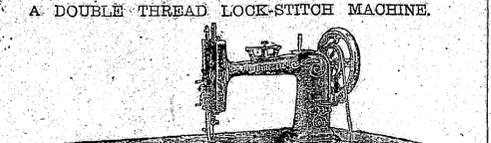
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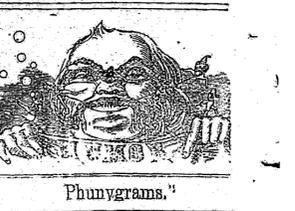
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