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here was a trial that called for some indulgence. Hard faces even among the stoniest saints, betrayed a transient quiver of the risible muscles, old ladies put up their fans, youths and maidens in the singers' seat laughed out outright, and for a moment a general snicker among the children was pardoned. But I was one of that luckless kind whose nerves, once set in vibration, could not be composed. When the reign of gravity and decorum had returned, Harry and I sat by each other, shaking with suppressed laughter. Everything in the subsequent exercises took a funny turn, and in the long prayer, when everybody else was still and decorous, the whole scene came to me with such overpowering force that I exploded with laughter and had to be taken out of meeting and marched home by Aunt Lois, as a convicted criminal. What especially moved her indignation was that the more she rebuked and upbraided, the more I laughed, till the tears rolled down my cheeks, which Aunt Lois construed into wilful disrespect to her authority, and resented accordingly.

By Sunday evening, as we gathered around the fire, the reaction from undue gaiety to sobriety had taken place, and we were in a pensive and penitent state. Grandmother was gracious and forgiving, but Aunt Lois still preserved that frosty air of reprobation which she held to be a salutary means of quickening our consciences for the future. It was, therefore, with unusual delight that we saw our old friend Sam come in and seat himself quietly down on the block in the chimney corner. With Sam we felt assured of indulgence and patronage, for, though always rigidly moral and instructive in his turn of mind, he had that fellow-feeling for transgressors which is characteristic of the loose-jointed, easy-going style of his individuality.

"Lordy massy, boys—yie," said Sam, virtuously in view of some of the children, "ye ought never to laugh out in a meetin'; that's the way, but then there's times when the best us gets took down. We gets took unwar, ye see—even ministers does. Yes, natur' will git the upper hand after they know it."

"Why, Sam, ministers don't ever laugh in meetin', do they?"

We put the question with wide eyes. Such a supposition bordered on profanity, we thought, it was approaching the sin of Uzzah, who unworthily touched the ark of the Lord.

"Laws, yes. Why, haven't you never heard how there was a counsell held to trip Parson Morrel for laughing out in prayer-time?"

"Laughing in prayer-time!" we both repeated, with uplifted hands and eyes.

My grandfather's mild face became luminous with a suppressed smile, which brightened it as the moon does a cloud, but he said nothing.

"Yes, yes," said my grandmother, "that's what did make a dreadful scandal in our town. Parson Morrel was a good man, and I'm glad the counsell wasn't hard on him."

"Fact was, they said 'twas put there 'cause the land 'wnt good for nothin' else, and the folks thought puttin' in a meetin'-house 'wnt be a clear savin'—Parson Morrel he didn't like it—and was to tell 'em his mind 'out, that 'twas like bringin' the lame and the blind to the Lord's service—but there 'twas."

"There wasn't a better minister nor no one more set by in all the State than Parson Morrel. His doctrine was right up and down, good and sharp, and he gives saints and sinners their meat in due season, and for consolation and comfortin' widders and orphans Parson Morrel hadn't his match. The women set lots by him and he was alius ready to take tea 'round, and make things pleasant and comfortable, and he had a good story for every one and a word for the children, and maybe an apple or a cookie in his pocket for 'em. Well, you know there ain't no pleasin' everybody, and Gabriel himself, right out of heaven, was to come and be a minister 'fore there'd be a pickin' at his wing, and sort of fault findin'. Now Aunt Jerushy Soran and Aunt Polly Hokum they said Parson Morrel wasn't solemn enough. Ye see there's them that thinks that a minister ought to be just like the town hearse, so that ye think of death, judgment and eternity, and nothin' else, when ye see him 'round; and if they see a man rosy and chipper, and having a pretty nice sociable sort of a time, why they say he ain't spiritual-minded. But in my time I've seen ministers that the most awakenin' kind in the pulpit was the liveliest when they was out on't. There's a time to laugh, Scripp-ture says, though some folks never seem to remember that ar."

"But, Sam, how come you to say it was Ike Babbitt's fault? What was it about the sheep?"

"Oh, wal, yie 'em comin' to that ar. It was all about them sheep—I expect they was the instrument the devil set to work to tempt parson to laugh in prayer-time."

"You see there was old Dick, Ike's bell-wether fightin' 'est old critter that ever yer own. Why, Dick would butt at his own shadder, and everybody said it was a shame the old critter should be left to run loose, 'cause he run at the children, and scared the women half out of their wits. Wal, I used to live out in that parish in them days, and Lem Sudoc and I used to go out sparkin' Sunday nights to see the Larkin gals; and we had to go right across the lot where Dick was. So we used to go and stand at the fence and call, and Dick would see us, and put down his head, and run at us full chisel, and then I'd kick him by the fence, and hold him by the horns, and hold him by the horns, and get over the fence to the other side, and then I'd let go and Lem would hold on and shake a stick at him, and away, he'd go full butt at Lem, and Lem would ketch his horns and hold him till I came over—that was the way we managed Dick—but of come suddenly up behind a fellow, he'd give him a butt in the small of his back that would make him run on all fours one while—he was a great rogue, Dick was. Wal, that summer I remember they had old Deacon Titkins for tithing-man, and I tell you he give it to the boys lively. There wasn't no sleepin' nor no playin', for the deacon had eyes like a gimlet, and he was quick as a cat, and the youngsters had to look out for themselves. It did really seem as if the deacon was like them four beasts in Revelations that was full of eyes behind and before, for whichever way we was standin' in if you only gave a wink he was down on you and hit you a tap with his stick. I know once Lem Sudoc just wrote two words in the psalm book and passed to Kesiah Larkin, and the deacon gave him such a tap that Lem grew red as a beet and vowed he'd be up with some day for that."

"Well, Lordy massy, folks that is so chipper and high-steppin' has to have their come-downs, and the deacon he had to have his."

"That ar come-down I remember it now just as well as if 'twas yesterday. The parson he give us his great sermon, reconilin' decess and free agency—everybody said that ar sermon was a masterpiece. He preached it up to Cambridge at commencement, but it so happened that it was 'em bilin' hot days that come in August, when you can fairly hear the huckleberries sizzling and cookin' on a grate like a red-hot saw. Wal, such times decess or no decess, the best on us will get sleepy. The old meetin'-house stood right down at the foot of a hill that kept off all the wind, and the sun blazed away at them great west winders, and there was pretty sleepy times there. Wal, the deacon he drew round a spell, and woke up to laugh out in a meetin'; that's the way, but then there's times when the best us gets took down. We gets took unwar, ye see—even ministers does. Yes, natur' will git the upper hand after they know it."

"Wal, said Sam, Larkin, 'after all 'twas some Ike Babbitt's fault that 'twas allers for gettin' what he could out o' town, and he would feed his sheep on the meetin'-house green. Somehow or other Ike's fences allers contrived to give out, come Sunday, and up would come his sheep, and Ike was too pious to drive 'em back Sunday, and so there they was. He was talked to enough about it, 'cause ye see, to have sheep and lambs a-basin' a-basin' all prayin' and sermon and co-ordination. We wish that old meetin'-house up to the north end, down under Blueberry Hill, the land sort o'

Berrien Co. Record.

THURSDAY, MAY 16, 1878.

To Advertisers. The "Record" is the best Advertising Medium in South-western Michigan...

BUY YOUR BOOTS & SHOES, HATS & CAPS.

There are several of our subscribers who live at a distance...

L. P. & G. W. FOX, AND GET GOOD BARGAINS.

OF EVERY STYLE, COLOR AND SHAPE, CHEAP.

COME to Buchanan May 30th.

Big wheat stories are now in order.

ASK W. A. Palmer to tell you his Kansas dog story.

AN overcoat has been a very welcome garment the last few weeks.

In another column will be found a statement of the First National Bank.

A NEW time-card for the M. C. R. R. in another column.

Don't forget Decoration Day, at Buchanan, May 30.

READ the address of the Soldiers' Executive Committee in another column.

STRAWBERRIES are for sale at the groceries. Shipped here from Chicago.

SCHOOL will close for the summer vacation three weeks from tomorrow, May 31st.

THIS RECORD will be kept for sale by B. F. Beardsley & Co., at the postoffice.

THE cool weather is the best we could have for the wheat crop at this season.

THEY have a "pop" factory in St. Joseph. The young fellows, in this vicinity, do their own popping.

THE South Bend Tribune is publishing the "Jericho Road," a novel by the author of "Helens Babies."

SUBSCRIBERS who receive the RECORD at New Buffalo are requested to pay their subscription to G. B. Weed.

NEW steel rails have been put in part of the way between this place and Dayton on the Michigan Central.

SUPERVISOR FOX has completed the assessment. He says he finds the full quota of dogs.

HOPE we may have some warm weather before Christmas. Must, or go without garden "sassa."

I. N. BACHELOR is having an additional story put on his building next south of the livery stable.

J. C. BURROWS will talk to his comrades in war, in this place May 30th. Come and hear him.

MR. ALEXANDER still continues to build, and will in time make a quite respectable row of that west of the Tremont.

H. E. BRADLEY has moved in his new quarters where he will be most comfortably situated. See advertisement in another column.

THE next reunion of the Soldiers and Sailors of this State will be held in Kalamazoo on Thursday, June 20th, next.

THERE was quite a heavy frost Monday morning that nipped some of the vegetables, and probably made sure work of the grape crop.

THE Western Rural is one of the best agricultural papers published. Subscription taken at this office for \$1.50 each until July first.

WE are promised a fine exhibition of fire works on Front street, to-morrow evening. It will be of special interest to those who have buildings to paint.

REDUCED fare will be charged to those who attend the picnic at Diamond Lake the 24th.—From Niles and return, 60 cents each.

DRAIN Commissioner Spaulding is arranging to have a ditch dug that is to lower Madron lake, and drain over three hundred acres of marsh in that vicinity. The ditch will be over six miles in length.

MR. AND MRS. E. M. PLIMPTON now claim the title of grand pa and grand-ma. There is a nine pound Plimpton in Sedan, Kansas, that is not very old.

THE Good Templars have been doing a job of general house-cleaning and repairing in their lodge room. The society is fully alive and in a thriving condition.

THOSE who are prepared to do so are requested to donate flowers for use on Decoration Day. The flowers should be left with Mrs. Whitman.

JAS. W. ORR has gone into the law business in this place. His office is with J. J. Van Ripper. He will make a specialty of collections. We wish him success.

MR. FRANK DONBAR tells of his hired man having planted twenty-eight acres of corn in one day with one of the patent planters, drawn by a team and planting two rows at once.

THERE are several of our subscribers who live at a distance, who will receive the RECORD but a short time longer, if we do not hear from them with remittance soon.

WE have a Victor sewing machine for sale, cheap. The machine has a folding cover, drop leaf and three drawers; is brand new. Will be sold at a bargain.

WE were in error in mentioning the time of the meeting of the Pioneer Association, at Berrien Springs. It is to be the first instead of the second Wednesday in June. June 5, 1878. Go and have a good time with the old folks.

TWO-thirds full fare will be charged by the Michigan Central to persons who wish to come to Buchanan on Decoration Day to celebrate. It is expected that many will take advantage of this reduction, and come.

MR. W. H. SMITH, agent for the Michigan Central at this place, returned from Rochester, N. Y., yesterday morning. He has been away about a month on a visit. His first lay off in several years.

WILLIAM SIMMONS, for a long time in the employ of Black & Willard, died Tuesday afternoon, of congestion of the lungs. He caught cold by working in the rain, and was sick but a short time.

JOHN M. GRAY, the county Surveyor, has been laying out the much disputed road in the north part of this township, this week. He is now at work for the village, finding the boundaries of Oak Ridge Cemetery.

THE News' champion jumper is now "in evidence." O. W. Lane, of Bay City, cleared 103 feet in 10 jumps.—Evening News.

That lets our man out by two feet. Try again, Charley.

THE selecting committee to secure subscriptions for the purchase of a new bell for the M. E. Church have secured about \$200. It required about \$10 more to pay for such a bell as they want. The intentions of the committee is to procure a bell of the best metal and of about 1000 pounds weight.

REPORTS from South Haven say that peaches and strawberries in that vicinity have been killed by the frost. In St. Joseph the peaches are reported all right, but vegetables are killed. Accounts come from all parts of the West of damages done.

THE team mentioned in these columns, a few weeks since, as having been stolen from South Bend have been found in the possession of Joe. Luchen and Henry Dashed in Grand Rapids, and they were arrested, and have been taken back to South Bend.

THE double track on the Michigan Central is the cause of a number of accidents, by persons attempting to avoid one train and being caught by another. Mrs. James Burris, of Dayton, came very near being caught in this way by the construction train, Saturday afternoon, barely leaving the track in time to save her life.

Wm. Van ORMAN writes to the Benton Harbor Times that he does not at all appreciate the kindness of Berrien County in keeping him in jail, that it is not an enjoyable place of abode. He will learn to-day whether he is to continue to remain there or not.

IT is wonderful how exceedingly cunning some people are when the Supervisor calls around to take assessments. Mr. Fox found one female dog that was owned by three different persons, by being given from one to the other to escape assessment, and the prospect now is that all three will have the fun of paying tax, unless the ownership is made known soon.

HOMES, of the RECORD, takes the job of doing all the printing for the County Fair for what ads he can get, and he has been here at various times, begging piteously. He will have a good time of it.—Niles Mirror.

You needn't feel so bad because you didn't get the job. So long as we are satisfied with the pay you need not complain. We do not expect that the Society will be ashamed of their work, as they were of that that came from the Mirror office last year.

EVEN Henry Chamberlain, the champion irredeemable of southwest Michigan, is paying out gold and silver at his store in Three Oaks, and after all keeps howling for the repeal of the resumption act. He is a practical man in his business, but politically he is in favor of any kind of a doctrine that will carry him to Congress or make him governor of Michigan.—Lansing Republican.

LEVI "SPARK" was advertised for a greenback speech at Mt. Tabor Grange Hall last evening. There were six men and four boys there to hear him, and when he discovered the vastness (!) of his audience he had urgent business up-town, and his expectant hearers were sadly disappointed.

In this district we hear of no intelligent opposition in the Republican ranks to the renomination of Mr. Keightley for Representative. He has made a good record, and, as far as we know, deserves re-election from the hands of the people whom he has served.—Dowagiac Republican.

A crowd of people congregated to hear the examination of those who were arrested for the robbery of Albert Weaver, which was held to-day in the Collins & Weaver Hall. Mr. Weaver was present at the examination, and his testimony was used in the case. For want of evidence to convict, the prisoners were dismissed on motion of the Prosecuting Attorney.

THERE was a special meeting of the Common Council for the purpose of levying taxes for the current year. They voted to raise \$715, or one mill on the dollar of valuation, for highway purposes, and a tax of 1/10 mill per dollar, or \$1,075.50 for general purposes. This will make the village tax one-half mill less than the year before.

THERE are a parcel of boys about sixteen or seventeen years old who have considerable sport at the depot, by catching on the trains and riding a short distance, and while standing in waiting rooms to them, but the first thing they know some of them will get all out to pieces, but its of no use to talk to them about anything of the kind. They know what they are doing.

FATAL ACCIDENT.—Miss Eliza Decker, of Stevensville, met with an accident, last Thursday afternoon, that proved instantly fatal. She and some others went into L. Brown & Co.'s gristmill to spend a few leisure moments, and while standing in the second story her dress was caught by a shaft that was making about 250 revolutions a minute, and was twined around it. Her skull and several bones in her body were broken and her clothes nearly all torn off. She was about eighteen years of age and had a large circle of friends.

One of our merchants, who is in the matrimonial market, is very generous with his small stock of oranges and candy to the little brother who has the power of giving the desired introduction; but alas! the young lady cannot appreciate his kindness, from carelessness, in traveling a doubtful track railroad. On Saturday morning about eight o'clock, Wm. Hardy, walking west on north track, met an extra freight about one hundred rods west of the station, stepped over to south track and right in front of No. 28 going west. The engineers on both trains did all they possibly could to warn him of his danger. The fire man on train west crawled out to the pilot to try and catch him if they struck him, and keep him from going under; but they missed him and he was drawn under and run over by the front truck of the engine, when his body was hurled into the air and landed outside of the rail before the drive wheels caught him. His right leg was cut off near the hip, his left foot mashed, and his head terribly bruised. The train was stopped, and conductor Cooper reported at telegraph office. Soon having assistance, the mangled body was brought to his house on a bed-cup. Dr. Neal was called, and Dr. Boutine, division road surgeon, notified. At eleven o'clock A. M., Wm. Hardy breathed his last. An inquest was held Monday. The jury rendering verdict, exonerating the railroad company and its employees from all blame in the matter. Wm. Hardy was about sixty years of age, and has lived here in and in the vicinity of Galien for many years. He was once a well-to-do farmer, but of late has been a faithful servant to Bacchus.

THREE OAKS ITEMS. May 15, 1878. Weather decidedly cool—so much so that the robins have ceased their morning song; but the young humans keep up their daily equal without regard to the weather.

Trade was rather lively on Saturday last. A good many would call last week a dull week as respects business.

When I hear men speak of so many persons being idle I often wonder if many of those who are idle could not set themselves to work without waiting for some other ambitious person to give them work. One reason is, many are living in villages and cities, paying rent and spending their hours in idleness, in loafing around saloons and even stores and groceries, and spending what little change they have, foolishly.

Mr. Goslin, of New Buffalo, lost two children—a girl of six years, the other a boy of five years. Both died with scarlet fever within the past ten days. Mr. G. preaches in this place, and the people here fully sympathize with the parents in their bereavement.

Miss Minnie Redmon, of this place, was taken sick with the scarlet fever while at Mr. Goslin's.

Miss Nettie Kille has gone home on a visit, not being able to work, having been quite ill for several weeks.

Mr. John Goldback presented the Good Templar's Lodge with four very nice bouquets on Saturday evening last, for which he received a vote of thanks.

Another National has arrived in town. That puts the National three ahead on the popular count, in this place. I presume Josh thinks the new-comer can make as loud noise and as many speeches in favor of paper as can Dan Voorhees in the Senate, and no doubt has as much effect.

Mrs. Mary Hilton, of Buchanan, visited her home one day last week. We are glad to see her often. We need just such cheerful persons in this community to keep others from having the blues. Come often.

It will pay to visit the office of J. M. K. Hilton, at the western terminus of the new Michigan Central Railroad track from Galien to Three Oaks.

Although the editor of the RECORD has kindly and conspicuously noticed our efforts as regards "Memorial Day," yet, we desire to add a few words personally. There is no longer a doubt as to the success of those who have laboriously placed this day foremost among our general holidays. Each year brings an increased interest to the ceremonies, while in popularity its limit is boundless. We would therefore, at this time, make a special appeal to our comrades who reside at a distance from the town, and who have not in the past taken part with us in this imposing yet beautiful ceremony in strewing upon the graves of our fallen comrades the first flowers of spring, to leave their work on May 30, and "fall in" with us. To those of our citizens who live out of the town and who have never witnessed our exercises, we extend a cordial invitation to you to come and bring your families, and thus aid us by your presence in our efforts to perpetuate and cherish the memory of our honored dead. To the citizens of our town we would extend our sincere thanks for the support and encouragement you have rendered us in the past, and we trust that we shall this year again receive your hearty co-operation, to which in a great measure our success in the past may be attributed.

To everybody we would say, come. We have secured the services of the gifted orator and soldier, Hon. J. C. Burrows, of Kalamazoo, who will deliver our memorial address. You cannot well afford to lose the opportunity of listening to this talented soldier. The other three grazed at number one's face. Number one said, "Father of mercy, we ask of thee, Look down with pity on us four objects of charity. Guide us to some charitable door, That we may receive food enough to satisfy our souls." Number two said, "we had better look a little out. For the Marshal of Three Oaks may be near about."

They looked far down along Elm street, And spied a man with a walk quite fleet. As he approached, the tramps began to cheer. To keep clear of the clamps of D. F. Bombersheim.

They all repaired to a farmer's back door, Where many a tramp had stolen before. One rap at the door—door opened—when number one said, "Madam, can you give us a lunch of cold meat and bread?" A plunk! all of the best was furnished to each, For which number one made a thankful speech.

That night while the occupants were in bed, The four tramps robbed those who furnished them bread. Don't trust too much to hungry tramps, For they often turn out beggarly scamps.

Another wedding in town yesterday (Sunday), Mr. Daniel Mann, to Miss Carrie Pratt. Joy go with them, for I can't.

Mr. came to town last week with tears in his eyes and on his cheeks. He states that liquor was furnished his son of sixteen years, who came home drunk, and fell at the door. He was assisted into the house, and laid stupid for one day, when a physician was called. What of the men who give bonds not to sell to minors? FERMIZER.

LOCALS. The Antecedents of Disease. Among the antecedents of disease are inertness in the circulation of the blood, an unnaturally attenuated condition of the physique, indicating that the life current is deficient in nutritive properties, a wan, sallow look, inability to digest the food, loss of appetite, and general weakness and sensation of unnatural languor. All these may be regarded as among the indicia of approaching disease, which will eventually attack the system and overwhelm it, if it is not built up and fortified in advance. Invertigate, then, without loss of time, the best means of procuring a reliable agent to extant, Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, an elixir which has given health and vigor to myriads of the sick and debilitated, which is avouched by physicians and analysts to be pure as well as effective, which is immensely popular in this country, and has been for years past of the leading medicinal staples of America.

There are some bargains to be had at Noble's in clothing. T. M. Fulton & Co. have just received a large stock of New Goods. Call and see them.

Homestead party will go to Kansas May 29th. Send stamp for information to W. K. Sawyer, Excursion Agent, Three Oaks, Mich.

Noble is offering goods below the wholesale cost. Take them while on the fly. New shawls and skirts for spring wear at T. M. Fulton & Co's.

J. P. Howlett has received his new goods and will sell them at bottom prices. The D. O. D. received at par. Try S. & W. W. Smith's job lot of Japan teas.

British hose, full regular made for 25 cts., a bargain, at Hier's. Notice.—If you have any painting or papering to do, call on Amos Evans for a good job. 1342

Cassimeres, Cassimeres, cheaper than the cheapest, at T. M. FULTON & Co.

PARASOLS going fast. Come in and look at them, at Hier's.

PARASOLS! PARASOLS! Cheaper than the cheapest, at T. M. FULTON & Co's.

Bodd's Drug Store. 250 dollars worth of fine serge silk parasols that must be sold, at Hier's.

Choice styles dress goods for 16 cts, old prices 20 and 25. New spring gingham just received at T. M. Fulton & Co's.

Bargains in Dress Goods, at Hier's.

A splendid line of spring goods, new and cheap, at A. L. Noble's. George will make bottom prices.

CARPETS! CARPETS! New Patterns, cheaper than ever, at T. M. FULTON & Co's.

GO TO HIGHS FOR CAPETS. For SALER REMT.—A good house and lot. Enquire at this office.

Ladies, we have a fine line of laces, Trench, French Val. French silk in black, and white, and other kinds, at Hier's.

Best line of White Goods in town, at Hier's.

BEAUTY UNADORNED IS ADORED THE MORE. However every lady seems to think differently after trying on one of Mrs. Dunning's new hats. She has just recently returned from Chicago and is now prepared to furnish her customers with everything in the latest styles.

Largo stock lace curtains very cheap, at T. M. Fulton & Co's.

Kid Gloves. A big bargain at 50 cents per pair, at Hier's.

A full line of Domestic Goods lower than ever before. Look before you buy, at T. M. Fulton & Co's.

Opera Kids at Hier's, at 75 cents a pair.

Wall Paper in all the best and latest styles, at the New Store of Hier's.

"To do as folks of fashion do," in one respect at least, you must use Glenn's Sulphur Soap, which is immensely popular among the elite of society, and deservedly so, for it is the most salutary of beautifiers and purifiers. Sold by all Druggists.

HILL'S HAIR & WHISKER DYE, Black or Brown, 50 c. 1874

QUERY: "Why will men smoke common tobacco, when they can buy Marburg Bros. 'Seal of North Carolina,' at the same price?" 4371

Old papers for sale at this office. Cloth for men's and boys' suits very cheap, at Hier's.

"The McCormick Victorious!" (Special dispatch to the St. Louis Globe Democrat) HIGHLAND, Ill., May 1st, 1878.—There was a grand field exhibition of Self Binders here to-day in both green rye and wheat. The McCormick, Marsh, and Osborne participating. The McCormick won a decided victory over its competitors, being the favorite for cutting, binding, and especially for clean work! Five McCormicks were sold on the field!!! 14w2

Just as Represented. Steel & Price put Flowering Extracts in the market just as represented; their bottles are full measure, hold one-half more, and are three times the strength of those ordinarily sold. Ask for Dr. Price's Flavoring Extracts. We endorse their claims for purity and strength.

Nervous Debility. VITAL WEAKNESS OR DEPRESSION; a weak exhausted feeling, a tendency to indigestion; the result of MENTAL OVER-TOUR; INDOLENTNESS OR EXCESSIVE, or some drain upon the system, is always cured by HUMPHREY'S HOMEOPATHIC SPECIFIC No. 23. It tones up and invigorates the system, dispels the gloom and despondency, imparts strength and energy.—Cures the brain, restores the vitality of the man. Been used twenty years with perfect success by thousands. Sold by dealers. Price, \$1.00 per single vial, or \$5.00 per package of five vials, and \$2.00 vial of powder. Sent by mail on receipt of price. Address: HUMPHREY'S HOMEOPATHIC MEDICINE COMPANY, 109 FULTON ST., New York. 1571

An Astonishing Fact. A large proportion of the American people are to-day dying from the effects of Dyspepsia or disordered liver. The result of these diseases upon the masses of intelligent and valuable people is most alarming, making life actually a burden instead of a pleasure. The existence of such a uselessness as it ought to be. There is no good reason for this, if you will only throw aside prejudice and skepticism, take the advice of Druggists and your friends, and try one bottle of Green's August Flower. Your speed relief is certain. Millions of bottles of this medicine have been given away to try its virtues, with satisfactory results in every case. You can buy a bottle for 10 cents to try. Three doses will relieve the worst case. Positively sold by all Druggists on the Western Continent.

BUCHANAN PRICES CURRENT. Green Apples, per bushel, 1.15; White Apples, per bushel, 1.20; Sugar, per barrel, 1.50; Flour, per barrel, 1.75; Corn, per bushel, 1.00; Beans, per bushel, 1.25; Potatoes, per bushel, 1.00; Onions, per bushel, 1.00; Cabbage, per bushel, 1.00; Carrots, per bushel, 1.00; Turnips, per bushel, 1.00; Peas, per bushel, 1.00; Lentils, per bushel, 1.00; Chickens, per dozen, 1.00; Eggs, per dozen, 1.00; Butter, per pound, 1.00; Lard, per pound, 1.00; Tallow, per pound, 1.00; Soap, per pound, 1.00; Candles, per pound, 1.00; Tea, per pound, 1.00; Coffee, per pound, 1.00; Sugar, per pound, 1.00; Flour, per pound, 1.00; Corn, per pound, 1.00; Beans, per pound, 1.00; Potatoes, per pound, 1.00; Onions, per pound, 1.00; Cabbage, per pound, 1.00; Carrots, per pound, 1.00; Turnips, per pound, 1.00; Peas, per pound, 1.00; Lentils, per pound, 1.00; Chickens, per dozen, 1.00; Eggs, per dozen, 1.00; Butter, per pound, 1.00; Lard, per pound, 1.00; Tallow, per pound, 1.00; Soap, per pound, 1.00; Candles, per pound, 1.00; 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Farm and Household.

Corn: What Part of Ear to Plant. It has become the almost universal custom for careful farmers to break off the butts and tips of the ears they select for seed...

Some apparently careful variety given in the Wisconsin Agricultural Report for 1871 indicate an increase in length of the ears, originating from the tip kernels over those which grow from the butt kernels...

Pruning Fruit Trees. Much butchery is committed by unskillful persons under the delusive idea that they are judiciously pruning a young orchardist told us a few years since...

A certain doctor, struck with a large number of boys under 15 years of age whom he observed smoking, was led to enquire into the effect the habit had upon the health.

An effectual and inexpensive deodorizer is obtained by dissolving half a dram of nitrate of lead in a pint of boiling water...

A French scientific authority states that the ordinary rate of man's walk is four feet per second; of a good horse in harness, twelve; of a rinder in a sledge on the ice, twenty-six; of an English race-horse, forty-three; of a hare, eighty-eight; of a good sailing ship, fourteen; and of the wind, eighty-two.

No farmer in the older States can afford to sell wood ashes for any price that the soap-boiler would pay. Where oats lodge, as they are apt to do upon heavily manured land, and application of ashes would save the crop.

Interrogate your soil experimentally, and thus learn what is needed in the form of fertilizers to produce thereon remunerative crops.

Read the What People say in regard to the Great Shoshoness Remedy and Pills.

What says Dr. J. J. A. NEW FACTS FOR THE PEOPLE. There are but few preparations of medicine which have withstood the impartial judgment of the people for so great a length of time. One of these is Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil. Read the following and be convinced: "I have been afflicted with rheumatism for the last ten years, and have tried many remedies without any relief, until I tried Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil, and since then have had no attack of it."

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Notice to Persons Interested.

NOTICE is hereby given to all persons interested in the undersigned's estate, that the undersigned, Dr. C. McLane, has been appointed administrator of the estate of the late Dr. C. McLane...

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Miscellaneous.

Matrimonial Mishaps. Matrimony presents here and there interesting peculiarities. A bridegroom in Herkimer county, N. Y., unable to relish the fun of a discordant serenade on the wedding night, got out of bed and shot through the window at the serenaders, wounding three of them.

A Mormon has just married, at one swoop, a mother and her daughter. His wife returned from California to this State to marry the girl that he had left behind him. He announced that he was commissioned also to pick out a girl for his mining partner, and take her to him to wed. After careful prospecting, he made a choice, and the chosen damsel has gone with the wedded pair to California to meet her future husband.

Kepler and Stevens traded wives in Tipton, Iowa, two years ago, the latter getting \$700 on account of the wife that he gave being far handsomer than the one he received. Stevens has since grown wealthy, and his law wife seeks by a law-suit to re-instate a Pinto Princess in Nevada, married a white man, and returned with him to her tribe. The indignant Indians shaved his head, whipped him soundly, and drove him back to civilization.

A Troy clergyman published a complaint that the pay received for marriage services is not adequate, considering the risk that is incurred in uniting couples against the wishes of their families. He says that the fees given generally range from \$1 to \$5. Recently he rode ten miles into the country, spent a whole day, paid \$5 for use of a horse, and received only \$1.25.

Civility and Ceremony. Nothing is more honorable and pleasant than civility, and nothing more ridiculous and burdensome than ceremony. Civility teaches us to behave with proportionate respect to every one, accordingly as their rank requires and merit demands. In other words, civility is the science of men of the world. A woman of good address, who conducts herself with due circumspection, conciliates the love and esteem of society, because everyone finds herself at ease in her company; but a ceremonious woman is the plague of her acquaintance.

The Biggest Living Englishman. Mr. Campbell, landlord of "The Duke of Wellington," Newcastle-on-Tyne, boasts of being the largest subject of Queen Victoria. He was born in 1856, and measures around the shoulders ninety-six inches, around the waist eighty-five inches, and around the calf of the leg thirty-five. He weighs 728 pounds. He is brought up a printer, by occupation. His appetite is nothing extraordinary, and he is a moderate drinker, but smokes a great deal, to which habit a medical correspondent of the Lancet attributes his having rather irregular action of the heart.

Young men coming upon the stage of active life during the present hard times are more likely to become permanently successful than those who made their advent in business during the period of inflation, of high prices and of fabulous nominal profits. The great reason of this is that young men who begin now, form their business management and personal habits, from necessity, on principles of rigid economy. These, in the long run, tell so powerfully as to make, in many cases, the difference between failure and success. Men who began when everything was at the top find it very embarrassing to come down and adapt themselves and their business to the times that try men's purses, as war is said to try their souls; whereas, those who commence when economy is the order of the day, find no difficulty whatever in starting upon an economical basis, and, once started, it will be easy to adhere to it. So that, for young men just embarking for themselves, we may almost assert the paradox that hard times are the best.

A Boy With Three Eyes. Quite a wonder has lately made its appearance, about eight miles north of New Bremen, in the shape of a fine boy with three eyes and but one ear. The parents are a young married couple who came here to reside from the eastern portion of Anguilla County, about ten months ago, and have been married a little more than that period. The child is about two weeks old. The parents were accounted to find on the right side of the face an eye and an ear in their proper natural positions, and on the left side of the face another eye in its natural position, and about an inch further round on the left side of the head a third eye, all perfect in form, but no ear where the ear ought to be, the place for the left ear being perfectly smooth and solid as any other part of the head. The boy is healthy, sound, and bright as a boy baby can be. The eyes are perfect in action. When the eye on the left side of the face opens or shuts its twin does the same, both seeming to be controlled and operated by the one set of nerves.

It is curious that money should go by so many different names. Some describe it as "spendulix," some as "the stuff," some as "rhino," some as "spoons," some as "the ready," others as "brads." The French call it "l'argent," the English "the needful," in Mexico "coasting," in the South "rocks," in the East "tin," in the West "rags," in Canada it goes by the name of "Spelter."

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