

"He fell dead and expired in a few minutes," is the startling revelation made by a Georgia newspaper.

In Madison county, Kentucky, the other day, a man was arrested and fined \$5 for an unsuccessful attempt at suicide.

The sale of the works of the late Sir Edwin Landseer, which recently took place in London, realized nearly \$367,000.

The Dunkards wear Quaker clothes, shake hands and kiss when they come together. Most of them live in Ohio.

Passion gets less and less powerful after every defeat. Husband energy for real demand which the dangers of life make upon it.

The most fashionable of Saratoga cottages rent for \$3,000 for the season of three months. Others bring \$2,500, others \$2,000, and so on down to \$500.

Potato beetles of the Colorado variety are reported to have made their appearance in alarming numbers in Baltimore and adjoining counties of Maryland.

Icelanders are beginning to emigrate to this country, and are described as a bright, cleanly, healthy looking class of people, closely resembling the Scotch.

Sartoris' connection with the Grants has not improved him grammatically. When asked, "Wilt thou have this woman to be thy wedded wife?" he replied "I do."

Olivia, a lady correspondent, writes to the Capital: "In all delicacy may we ask you to apply the term her to the woman attorney and the pronoun he to the man?"

New York spends annually \$9,000,000 on newspapers, \$7,000,000 on theaters, \$3,000,000 for religious purposes, and \$50,000,000 on liquor and liquor establishments.

The intelligent compositor thus demonstrates the possibilities of the type: "The parents of the bride were numerous and handsome." And yet some folks say that there is no hell.

Advice to persons living in the houses adapted for two families: When your bell rings, wait; the other people may go to the door. When their bell rings, rush to your door and listen devoutly.

Because a well dressed young man in a Chicago omnibus remarked that "there were no good looking girls in Chicago," the elegant Times of that place denounces him as "a polished ass."

The aiantus trees of New York are to be displaced by horse-chestnuts. It is true that the aiantus is attacked by the caterpillar, but what proof is there that the horse-chestnut will not come down with the "epizootic?"

When Napoleon was a small boy he was asked whether he could tell what national ty he was of, and he indignantly replied, "Of Corsican." When Chang and Eng was a small boy he was asked whether he was a native of Siam, and he indignantly replied, "Of course Siam."

The Cunard steamship line is about to turn a cold shoulder to Boston, and has come to the conclusion that it does not pay to send their vessels there. The reason, however, is clothed in more delicate language, and is based on the ground of high cost of railroad freights on grain and other products.

The attention of "crusaders" is respectfully called to the significant coincidence that, for some years past, the importation of opium has increased pari passu with the advance of the teetotal movement, one hundred and twenty-five tons of that narcotic solace being our present annual allowance.

The Philadelphia Press talks in this rather damp way about the centennial: "Yesterday the first packages of goods for exhibition at the International celebration of 1876 were received in this city. They came from Austria, Norway and Sweden, and are the first droppings of what in a year or two will be a great stream."

The value of the fruit crop of California last year may be estimated in round numbers at two millions of dollars. From the tenor of the reports from all portions of the State, the fruit crop of 1874 will exceed that of last year by about fifty per cent, and as the largely increased demand for packing will keep up the price, its value may be estimated at \$3,000,000.

That eminently respectable and numerous body of religionists who call themselves Dunkers, or Dunkards, will be a good deal astonished, if not horrified, to see the way the telegraph has libeled them in transmitting the reports of their Convention at Girard, Ill., to the eastern newspapers. Several journals published the report with the heading, "A Drunkards' convention," as the telegraph made it, and the Boston Journal improved upon it in this way: "A novel organization—National convulsion of Drunkards."

A Very Brilliant Record of Cures.

An American humorist tells us that it would have been money in his pocket if he had been born without a stomach, and then proceeds to figure up the cost of a chronic dyspepsia, to which he is a martyr, and which he says it is impossible to cure. On this point, "Josh Billings," (for he is the party referred to) is mistaken. Unless his stomach differs from all other dyspeptic stomachs, Hostetter's Bitters will cure him in less than three months. This it would be safe to guarantee under any penalty. There are a few, a very few, actual specifics for disease in existence, and Hostetter's Stomach Bitters may be set down as one of them. In cases of indigestion it never fails. Persons who had suffered for many years almost every conceivable species of torture from this agonizing complaint, have been permanently cured with the Bitters in six weeks. Hundreds of such instances are on record, authenticated by the testimony of prominent men in every walk of life, eminent physicians among the number. But this celebrated vegetable preparation is something more than a stomachic and a tonic. It is also an alternative of wonderful virtue. In liver complaint its effect is as direct and immediate as that of calomel or blue pill, and far more salutary; and in all diseased conditions of the bowels, notably in cases of constipation, its regulating properties are in the highest degree serviceable. The new settlements in the west and all low-lying tracts of country infested with miasmatic exhalations, so fruitful at this season, of the various types or intermittent fevers, should be always well stocked with this incomparable chologue, which will cure any case of fever and ague in a period varying from three days to three or four weeks, according to the violence of the complaint. Nervous disorders which are always aggravated by the adulterated liquors usually prescribed by physicians, are readily cured by a course of this admirable combination medicine, in which the properties of a stimulant, a tonic and alternative are happily blended.

HIGHEST CASH PRICE PAID FOR OLD GOLD AND SILVERWARE.

FERGUSON & SCHNACK.

A NUISANCE.—The longest existing and mostly complained of nuisance, and which has become epidemic in Alexandria, is the continued and really ugly rush made on our steamers arriving here by a certain large crowd of fellows, which a friend of our elbow denominates as "dead beats," crying out aloud and demanding a late paper from the clerk in the office. We have long seen this practiced nuisance, have sympathized with the generally obliging clerks in their fiery ordeal, and have wondered if these chaps would not finally see themselves as others see them, and mend their ways. But our expectations are all fruitless, and now more than ever the ugly nuisance is kept up. No one has a more severe trial of it every Monday morning than our friend, George C. Hamilton, of the Bart. Able, but he is so good a Christian that he still bears the infliction with more than Job's patience. By the way, this very thing cost the Bart. Able a barrel of pork a few trips since, and we had hopes that this loss to the boat would lead to reform, but it is getting no better fast. A battalion of this same "Paper Brigade" can be seen on duty at the Post Office any hot day sitting in the window, blocking all light and air from the Deputies whilst opening the mails. This battalion nuisance duty makes it pleasant to the official hard at work in a hot room with the thermometer at 95. Shutting off the fresh air thusly is certainly an appreciative duty of the battalion.

BLANC-MANGE.—Cut very thin the rind of a small lemon, and infuse it for an hour in a pint and three-quarters of new milk, with eight bitter almonds, blanched and bruised, two ounces of sugar, and an ounce and a half of isinglass. Boil gently over a clear fire.

PAINT AND GREASE.—An excellent recipe for removing paint or grease-spots from garments may be had by mixing four tablespoonfuls of alcohol with a tablespoonful of salt. Shake the whole well together, and apply with a sponge or brush.

CHIMNEY ON FIRE.—In cases of fire in a chimney, it is an excellent plan to put salt on the fire in the grate below, as it acts chemically on the flaming soot above. This has been known to extinguish the fire in a short time.

Planters, farmers, and others, dealing near and within reach of Cotile Landing, will do well to heed the card of Henry A. Bissat, to be found in to-day's issue of the Democrat.

Durell, Norton & Co., left Friday evening for the North, in a splendid car, chartered for the sum of \$380, to carry themselves away from the soil of Louisiana.

Grant and his imperial lay-out are getting ready to camp out for a few weeks at Long Branch.

The Troubles of Running a Hash Mill.

"About hash?" When we make hash we don't, of course, use fresh meat. Hash is not made in that way. If it were made of anything except the scraps that are left, it wouldn't be hash. Besides, if scraps were not used, boarders wouldn't believe it anyhow. That is the logic of hash. To the scraps hash owes its variety, the spice of hash. I am speaking freely of these things, you see, for I want to make a fair statement, notwithstanding the fact of our being so grossly misrepresented. But I don't know that you care to have me go on further with our bill of fare. We endeavor, so far as we are able, to do the clean thing with our boarders. How that mouse happened to be cooked in the chicken pie that they made such a fuss about, I'm sure I don't know. I gave my wife a good scolding for it, and said she ought to have been more careful and taken the mouse out before she set the pie on the table for decent people to eat, but it did no good then, you see.

So it was with the cat tracks on the pumpkin pie. We couldn't help it. You see the pie was brought out and set on the supper table, and was not noticed, though the cat tracks were plain enough to be seen when that old maid of a boarder pointed them out immediately after the minister, who was visiting us, had said grace. That, however, was not the worst of it. You see the minister and his wife and the professor came to see us and take supper, and we were putting on our best looks. The cat track business was a sort of a damper, to be sure; but we were trying to make up for that, and paid no attention to the demonstration the hack-driver, tried to get up on account of finding a bug in his biscuit, for in the hurry of putting up meals such things may happen. It was a little embarrassing, it is true, to have that hack-driver and the coal-barge captain enter into a warm debate as to whether the bug was of the bed or potato species, but they both showed their ignorance of natural history, and only made fools of themselves.

This is what caused the trouble. The brakeman and the canal boat pilot had a quarrel that day at dinner, which I noticed the old maid was anxious to have renewed. The minister was speaking of the moral aspects of the temperance crusade, and the Professor was discussing with me the topic of the transit of Venus, when the old maid observed to Jim, the brakeman, that Buck, the pilot had said in her presence that he had a mind to bust Jim's smeller. The minister insisted that it was a great and glorious cause, the Professor declared that the astronomical observations to be made would startle a scientific world, and Jim, remarked that he could mash any canal snoozer that ever straddled a rudder. The minister continued: "This noble work of reformation"—the Professor added: "In the whole range of telescopic vision"—and Buck handed Jim a teacup in the eye; Jim responded with the bread plate, and Buck replied with the water-pitcher. Then they reached across the table, and each other and embraced. I never felt so mortified in my life. As they were at it in the corner, our late peaceful board on top of them, with its legs in the air, I declared I was sorry this thing had ever happened, and just at that particular time, with the company present. At the moment I had not figured up my loss, which was forty-nine dollars, without insurance. Added to this was the loss of three of my boarders, who went out next morning to look out for "a nice private boarding place in a quiet family," and in their hurry to leave they forgot to square up with me.—[Cincinnati Commercial.

ENGLISH WOMEN.—An American lady in London, who has seen too much or too little of her English sisters, propounds the following conclusions: Why is it that English women seem born to a heritage of mammoth feet and thick ankles, as naturally as a baby elephant? Why is it that the female Briton has such an inextinguishable lust for white lace that she decorates herself with it, even in the street, as lavishly as the boiled limb of a defunct porker is decorated with white tissue paper at a banquet of the city fathers? Why does she wear feathers in a mourning hat, crowning all the erape symbolism of woe, as bridal favors would enliven a hearse? Why does she wear gaiters so low that her ankles bulge over the tops of her boots, like the capitals of Doric pillars? Why does she drape those pillars in dingy gray, instead of the pure white that her American sisters consider a prime essential of decency? Why do even young girls, richly dressed in velvet, looped and puffed over prettily quilted satin petticoats, encase their ample feet in these same gray stockings? Why hasn't the average woman of the English middle class grace? Why has not she beauty? Why hasn't she taste? Why hasn't she the dimmest shadow of a shade of that je ne sais quoi, that aerial daintiness of charm, of the French and American women which is as elusive to the searcher after the secret as is the mystery of life, to the physiologist?

Woman in Politics.

TWO NOTABLE INSTANCES IN WASHINGTON.

From a communication to the St. Louis Republican, under the above caption, we take the following which will be found highly interesting:

During the last eight or ten years we have noted two most conspicuous instances of feminine intrusion into political affairs, not to speak of numberless examples of local and otherwise less importance. In one of these cases we have observed a woman of rare beauty, singular grace and magnetism, and wonderfully varied and perfect accomplishments, out-writing the oldest made heads and overreaching the subtlest masculine managers in a daring game for that highest political stake, the presidency. That she failed does not invalidate our assumption of her superiority. For it is now a conceded fact of history that under her deft manipulation, her father came nearer the Presidency than he could have come under any other management. In 1864 her father was candidate for the Republican nomination as against Mr. Lincoln. She was then a young lady, a leader of society in a capital chivalrons with the sounding proximity of battle and wild with the excitements and extravagances of war. She plunged into the mazes of political wire-working and joined in the subterranean processes of political intrigue with as little hesitation as other girls lent their graces to the whirl of the waltz or bent their talents and their wifery to the coquetry of the parlor. She won hearts, not for the sake of their homage, but because of the political influence of their owners. She led men captive at her radiant chariot-wheels, not for the sake of social triumph, but for their usefulness in the Baltimore convention. Enthusiastic young journalists devoted half their time to writing sonnets to her and the other half to sounding the praises of her paternal candidate for the Presidency. Debonair middle-aged statesmen, over one glass of her hospitable wine, toasted the quenchless eyes of the fair hostess, and over the next libation swore eternal fealty to the cause whose success would make her mistress of the White House. White haired Solons felt again the warm blood of yore tingle their veins in her presence, and breathed in undertones in the midst of their hoary gallantries strong vows of devotion to her fortune and her ambition. One by one she

ESTRANGED LINCOLN'S CABINET. From him, until all but the Postmaster General were known to be opposed to his renomination. In every high place her influence was felt, in every quarter of power she had her servants and thralls of her charms and her magnetism to do her bidding. All the logic of politics were against her.

All the time-sanctioned maxims of polity were in her path. What she was trying to do was not merely to exchange one administration for another; but she was endeavoring to execute a national change of political base and of personal front right in the teeth of the enemy, who was grimly pounding at the gates and burning country-seats in sight of the capital. She was essaying the daring experiment of a revolution within a revolution. And there are men living in Washington, in Cincinnati, in St. Louis, in New York, who can tell what few people not in the secrets ever suspected that she came within the merest hair's-breadth of success. Now what man would have dared such a project at such a time? And what woman, it may be said, would have dreamed it, except Kate Chase, one of the greatest women this generation has produced! None of these comments can be construed into disrespect towards her. None of them breathe an intimation of impropriety, except that which inheres in the fact of mingling with such affairs at all. For in all this commotion she carried her womanly fame untarnished, and her lady-like bearing was never once bended or relaxed. We speak of her not as having incurred criticism by her political acts themselves, but by the fact of having placed herself in the position to do them. We might with similar minuteness chronicle her exploits four years later, when she appeared for the nonce Princess-Regent of Tammany, and pitted fairly against such giants as Vallandigham and Hampton, for the ascendancy in a convention whose mission was to nominate a foe man for the invincible Grant. But it is unnecessary, and the history of 1864 may answer for that of 1868, with trifling alterations to suit the changed circumstances. This is the most notable instance of the American woman in politics.

THE OTHER INSTANCE to which we propose to allude, is of a radically different nature, growing out of a different state of things, concerning a woman of altogether different antecedents and make-up, contemplating an achievement of less magnitude and involving much less direct dealing with the body of the people and their immediate responsibilities. Kate Chase, like Mary Stuart, played her proud game for the throne and the succession. Mrs. Williams, like the Pompadour, sought a gift of place for a favorite. We have nothing to do with the coarser scandals that hung about this affair. Whether false or not, it is better that they should die and be forgotten.

There is nothing in them in any aspect but malevolence, and they do not belong to history, whatever current purposes they may have served. So we speak only of the influence of Mrs. Williams wielded through the charm of her magnificent hospitality; of the doubts of her husband's fitness which her winning accents dispelled, and of the repugnance to the dull, heavy, stolid Williams on the Supreme Bench, which was forgotten in the thought of his stately wife holding her social Supreme Court as

"THE FIRST LADY OF THE LAND." Now it may be there is a point up to which an ambitious and forceful woman may exercise influence in shaping public affairs and yet not leave the cover which our national gallantry builds between her and the weapons of controversy. But it is pretty hard to determine where that point is. It may be fair to assume, however, that it does not exist away from the precincts of her own hearth. And it may be perhaps not unreasonable to say far her that when a woman utterly sinks the social into the political, when she makes her parlor a rendezvous for plotters and schemers in whose plots and schemes, designed to affect the public weal, she is deepest and most active, she has challenged controversial invasion of her home. Whatever may be the differences of opinion on this aspect of the case, there can be none when a woman goes outside of her home, to the capital, to the departments, to the White House, to the residences of Senators, to urge the claims of a favorite, to present the points of partisan policy involved in his nomination or confirmation; in short, when she enters with utter absence of reserve, and in utter defiance of the social and traditional laws of sex, into the avocation of a lobbyist. The case

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