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DISTRIBUTION OF GAINS.

To the Editors of the American Telegraph.

GENTLEMEN: Your correspondent, who has taken in hand to lecture the Bishop of Maryland, seems to be more conversant with dice than with Jewish antiquities. He has ventured to affirm that which he cannot prove concerning the use of the lot in the Mosaic ritual. Those who know what the Jewish practice in the case of the Scape-goat was, will tell him that on that occasion two strips of wood or metal, each bearing an inscription, were put into an urn; these taken, with both hands, one in each hand, by the officiating priest, and laid—upon the head of each animal—upon the goats; the lot of the animal for sacrifice or for escape. One must be very fond of a profane jest, to call such a transaction "a game!" There is every reason to believe that the same mode of procedure was adopted in the designation of St. Matthias to the apostleship. See Adam Clarke on the passage in Acts. It is worse than useless to talk of such acts in connexion with "lotteries," "raffles," and "dice-throwing." If "A Churchman" will not listen to his bishop, he may perhaps hearken to Matthew Henry, or John Brown, of Bladensburg. The former says: "The doubt [in the case of Matthias] was determined by lot, which is an appeal to God, and lawful to be used for the determining matters not otherwise determinable, provided it be done in a solemn, religious manner, and with prayer—the prayer of faith; for 'the lot is cast into the lap, but the whole disposal thereof is of the Lord.'" (Prov. xvi.—33.) Dr. Brown remarks: "To pretend that chance, which is but the want of design, determines in any lot, is too absurd for rational beings to believe in. God, or the devil, must therefore be the arbitrator, to whose determination the matter is by lot referred. God challenges it as His province to direct lots. (Prov. xvi.—33.) Nor, I suppose, will any man be found, even of players at cards and dice, that will avow Satan as their referee. How base, then, and how sinful, to use lotteries in trifles, or in sports or games, or to direct in sinful attempts!"

These being dissenters, "A Churchman" may like the Father's better. Then St. Cyprian will tell him that the advocate of the use of dice is an advocate of sin, and the user of them no Christian; and that a bishop's best work is to turn his people from that and the like evil practices; and St. Clement, of Alexandria, will instruct him that gaming of every kind is the invention of idleness and wantonness, and the appeal to chance "the subterfuge of the lazy and useless people of the world."

Permit me to say, furthermore, that your correspondent has not dealt quite fairly by his bishop. That gentleman seems to have guarded himself sufficiently against the misconstructions which have been put upon him by "A Churchman." The attempt to make but an allusion to insurance companies was a mere blunder, and to talk of "Baltimore's" having made an "apology" when there was room for none, was worse than idle. It would be a new thing to apologize to the blunderer for the person who was ridiculously misunderstood! Nor was the bishop's letter open to the kind of objection that has been brought against it. He did not profess to enter into the moral question of the lawfulness of appeals to (so-called) chance; but confined himself to the social question, of the injuriousness of such appeals for certain ends, viz., the distribution of gains. Doubtless this touches a sore place, as it applies to "Art Unions," in common with less specious modes of gaining. Nevertheless, it may be that the bishop is more deserving of credit for having honestly done his duty, without fear or favor.

ANOTHER CHURCHMAN.

LEAD POISONS.

The introduction of lead poisons into the human system in the pursuit of different employments and the use of various utensils, has been attended with such disastrous consequences that minute investigation upon the subject is the natural result. A comprehensive article in the *Scalpel* sets forth the causes, remedies, and extent of the evil in a clear light. We give a brief abstract of the material portions of this statement. It has been known from very remote antiquity that lead, when in a state of minute mechanical division, or when rendered soluble or volatile, is received into the lungs and stomach, and produces the most dreadful diseases. These diseases are now well known and accurately described. The hospital La Charite, in Paris, has long been famous for the successful treatment of these affections. Of 2,161 cases there treated, 1,218 have been persons suffering from attacks of lead-chole, the most distressing form of lead diseases. The preparations of lead which have been known to rise to this complaint are: 1. Metallic lead. 2. Lead in combination with oxygen; the suboxide, mineral orange, litharge and red lead. 3. Combinations of lead with various acids; borate of lead, sub-carbonate, ceruse or white lead, phosphate, chromate and nitrate of lead, the acetate or sugar of lead, and Goulard's extract. 4. Sulphuret, chloride, cyanide, and silicate of lead. 5. The alloys of lead and tin, (solder), antimony, copper, silver, and gold. The principal methods by which lead enters the system are by the mouth and lungs; it is absorbed from the skin when abraded by a blister, but not otherwise.

The tin of commerce is often adulterated with lead; hence copper vessels coated with tin are far from being safe. Red earthenware is glazed with red lead, and is always acted on by acids and oil. Newly painted rooms have produced manifold ill effects, from the poison being absorbed by the lungs. Water is often impregnated with lead by passing through lead pipes, and animals living in lead factories are found to be subject to its poisonous effects. Animals pastured near lead mines, and drinking the water, are often poisoned. Compositors and type foundry men are frequently affected in a similar manner.

Fortunately, however, the resources of our country have given us the means of obviating many of these evils. It has been found that zinc will answer every purpose of the white lead of painters, and almost every purpose of metallic lead for roofs, water-tanks, &c.; being far superior to lead in durability, purity, and perfect freedom from all poisonous effects.

[New York Tribune.]

THE SAYINGS OF WISE MEN.—A more glorious victory cannot be gained over another man than this: that when the injury began on his part, the kindness should begin on ours.

To endure present evils with patience, and wait for expected good with long suffering, is equally the part of the Christian and the hero.

That course of life which is entered upon without principle, and conducted without a plan, cannot but be unproductive of either virtue, happiness, or honor.

We live in deeds, not years; in thoughts, not breaths; in feelings, not in figures on a dial; We should count time by heart-throbs. He lives most who thinks most, feels the noblest, acts the best.

ORIGINALITY.—Edmund Keen.—When Mr. Keen was so much praised for the action of Richard, in his last struggle with his triumphant antagonist, where he stands, after his sword is wrested from him, with his hands stretched out, "as if his will could not be disarmed, and the very phantoms of his despair had a withering power," he said that he borrowed it from seeing the last effort of Painter in his fight with Oliver. Thus it is ever with the man of real genius. He has the feelings of truth already shrined in his own breast, and his eye still bent on nature to see how she expresses herself.—Hazlitt.

Sleeping after dinner is a bad practice. On awaking from such indulgence, there is generally some degree of febrile excitement, in consequence of the latter stages of digestion being hurried on; it is only useful in old people, and in some cases of disease. Sleep becomes wholesome only to the healthy when taken at those hours pointed out by nature; an excess of it produces lassitude and corpulency, and utterly debases and stupefies the mind. Corpulent people should sleep little and upon hard beds, while they should take abundance of exercise and live abstemiously, that their unhealthy bulk may be reduced.—Dr. Combe.

The sail-makers of New Bedford have struck for higher wages. They have heretofore received \$1 67 per day; they now demand \$2. The spar-makers are also on a strike. The riggers have succeeded in obtaining \$2 per day. The ship-carpenters were also successful last week in obtaining \$2 25.

A son of the Celestial Empire and an "outside barbarian" amused themselves, not long since, by getting into a fight in Sansone street, San Francisco. The outsider rather got the best of it, owing to the length of the Chinaman's tail, which catching hold of, he caused him to revolve round him, as the earth does around the great luminary of heaven.

A LIGHTHOUSE FOR A WINDFALL.—At an auction sale of unclaimed bonded goods from the custom-house, the other day, a German by the name of Lutz is said to have bought cases containing large wheels and machinery; but, as the cases had not been opened, it was not known precisely what the contents were. Being good large ones, however, some presenting a surface of some seven feet by five, and seeming well filled and heavy, the German bid the round sum of five hundred dollars for them, and had them knocked down to him. When he came to open the boxes he found that they contained the complete apparatus for a lighthouse, all in good order, and which is said to be worth from twenty to thirty thousand dollars.—N. Y. Post.

One of the old-fashioned attorneys practicing in Indiana, insisted on arguing a case before Judge B., after it had been decided. The judge repeatedly told the unfortunate attorney that he would listen to no further argument on the case. "But, may it please your honor," says the advocate, "your honor will certainly hear an argument if your honor has decided wrong." "No," replied the judge; "if you desire to argue the case any more, take it to the court of errors." "May it please your honor, I don't see where in the devil I'd go, for if this ain't a court of errors I don't know where to find one."

To PREVENT SNEEZING.—A correspondent of the *London Medical Gazette* states, that to close the nostrils with the thumb and finger during expiration, leaving them free during inspiration, will relieve a fit of coughing in a short time. In addition to the above, we state from personal knowledge, that to press the finger on the upper lip, just below the nose, will make the severe, rememorative symptoms of a sneeze pass off harmlessly. We have found the remedy useful many a time in creeping on game in the woods.

ANOTHER WARNING.—A woman named Elizabeth McMullin, of Philadelphia, fell down a flight of stairs, on Wednesday night, and broke her neck, while in a state of intoxication.

An old lady, named Elizabeth Ozears, was found lying dead upon the floor of her room, on Thursday morning, in Zane street, Philadelphia. She was eighty-one years of age.

A curious incident occurred the other day in the Elysian Fields, Paris. A lady jumped from a carriage, upbraiding a gentleman for having destroyed her peace, and drew a pistol and fired it in her bosom. The gentleman immediately lifted her into the carriage, telling the coachman to go to a certain hospital. The Police man went to the hospital, but no wounded woman was there. No trace of the parties have been discovered. The lady is said to be an American! Who is it?

RAILROAD SUBSCRIPTION.—The counties in Ohio, lying on the line of the Cincinnati, Wilmington, and Zanesville railroad, voted for subscription to that road, a few days since. It is said that the amount to be subscribed by the counties referred to will suffice to construct the road.

HAWTHORNE, in the House of the "Seven Gables," speaks of a "smile, so broad and sunny, that had it only been half as warm as it looked, a trellis of grapes might at once have turned purple under its summer-like exposure."

Pompous funerals and sumptuous monuments are made more out of a design to gratify the vanity of the living, than to do honor to the dead. Greatness may build the tomb, but it is goodness must make the epitaph.

A proclamation has been issued summoning the Canadian Parliament to meet on the 20th of May, "for despatch of business."

About twenty sealers, with 100,000 seals, had returned from the ice to St. Johns, N. F., previous to April 1.

The suspension bridge at Niagara Falls has been declared a place of entry, by the name of Park, Stamford.

AMERICAN TELEGRAPH

TO HOTEL PROPRIETORS AND OTHERS.

THE DAILY REGISTER.

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IS circulated extensively among the Merchants of that city, and travelers find it in all the Hotels, Steamboats, and Railroad conveyances diverging from Philadelphia. It contains a correct list of the names of those constantly arriving at the principal Hotels daily, and consequently is the best means the Proprietors of Hotels in other cities have for extending their business among the travelling public.

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WONDERFUL FACILITY OF THE CANARY.

Mr. Wm. Kidd, of Hammersmith, who has for many months been engaged in writing an interesting and popular series of original articles upon *British Avary and Cage Birds*, and which are appearing weekly in the *Gardener's Chronicle*, graphically illustrates the truly amiable character of the canary. It is hardly to be wondered at that this bird should be so universal a favorite. We extract the anecdote from the fourth chapter of *British Cage Birds*: "Were I," says Mr. Kidd, "to go on leisurely particularizing the many little interesting traits I have witnessed, as practised by my winged minstrels, I should exceed, I fear, the bounds of propriety. I must, through favor, record—enforcing at the same time, on all who may hereafter try the experiment, the necessity of extreme care, seeing that it is not quite free from danger. Aware of the perfect understanding existing between myself and little family, I was in the constant habit of playing them off some practical joke, rewarding them afterwards with a hemp seed by way of compromise. The sight of a hemp seed, therefore, (of which my mules and canaries were inordinately fond,) was a signal for some favor to be granted—some game to 'come off.' Taking up four or five duodecimo volumes of printed books, I opened each in the middle; and, placing them in a line, on their front edges, in a slanting position, there was formed beneath an avenue throughout their entire length. It was like a railway tunnel on a small scale. In this opening I placed some half-dozen birds, one by one, gently forcing them, in the first instance, to travel onward until they emerged from the tunnel. As each successively made his appearance, I presented him lovingly with one of his favorite hemp seeds, as a 'reward of merit.' Shall I be credited, when I affirm that, before I had thrice repeated this little experiment, my pupils thoroughly comprehended the fun of the thing? It is indeed strange, but positively true.

Day by day, I extended the range of volumes, till, by degrees, I had formed a complete circle round the room. Here and there, I left small loop-holes, just to give the travellers a bird's-eye view of the surrounding neighborhood—occasionally exhibiting the magical hemp-seed, a sight of which quickened their pace amazingly. When their journey was a very long and tedious one, their looks, as they pattered past the loop-holes, were imploringly expressive. However, an encouraging 'Cheer up, my lad!' kept them up to their work bravely. Arrived at the terminus, the strut of triumph, as each came forward and claimed his 'reward,' can only be faintly imagined. I cannot, and will not attempt to describe it.

A communication from Marblehead informs us that the only bell that was tolled in that town upon the announcement of Symmes' departure, belonged to a church that has a clause in its deed prohibiting negroes from holding pew in it.—Boston Post.

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Day by day, I extended the range of volumes, till, by degrees, I had formed a complete circle round the room. Here and there, I left small loop-holes, just to give the travellers a bird's-eye view of the surrounding neighborhood—occasionally exhibiting the magical hemp-seed, a sight of which quickened their pace amazingly. When their journey was a very long and tedious one, their looks, as they pattered past the loop-holes, were imploringly expressive. However, an encouraging 'Cheer up, my lad!' kept them up to their work bravely. Arrived at the terminus, the strut of triumph, as each came forward and claimed his 'reward,' can only be faintly imagined. I cannot, and will not attempt to describe it.

A communication from Marblehead informs us that the only bell that was tolled in that town upon the announcement of Symmes' departure, belonged to a church that has a clause in its deed prohibiting negroes from holding pew in it.—Boston Post.

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