

to make out as little sin as possible; to assu as much cool intent as possible; to attribute innocent motives, and call a child good for the sake of inducing him to become so; to dispense with rules, and not make much ado about nothing. Why should a parent be constantly coming out with a flat-footed command, and bringing his will face to face with his child's? It is sometimes, doubtless, unavoidable, but it is not very often. Children, as a general thing, do not need to be ordered about, or to be kept back with a sword. They are amenable to the law written in the heart. They learn very early to understand the relations of signs and cause, and to preserve a, if they are treated like reasonable beings, and not like friends. But if they are put under ban; if no confidence is reposed in them, and no discretion is expected of them; if their constitutional government is simply "you shall" and "you shall not," if they are made to go in leading-strings, and dainties are locked away from them, and every thing is the property of their parents, and they have no rights in the sugar-bowl and jam pot which their elders are bound to respect, but stand on the same footing with the beggar-boy in the streets—why, it would be very strange if they should not steal the figs; and were the case left to me, I should make the father wear them around his neck, and draw the string tight.

STATISTICS OF AFFLICTION.

The advance sheets of the census furnish some interesting but melancholy statistics with reference to the number and whereabouts of the blind, deaf and dumb, idiotic and insane in the United States. From the returns it appears that there are 20,320 blind persons in this country, of whom 11,343 are males, and 8,976 are whites. In the United States there are 141 blind persons who have lived more than a century. Of those who are deaf and dumb the census reports 16,205; of these 8,916 are males, and 14,907 are whites. From the returns it appears that the deaf and dumb do not attain to the great age that many of the blind seem to have reached. The whole number of insane persons is reported at 37,383; of these 18,174 are males, and all but 1,322 are whites. Only 7 centenarians are found among the insane in this country. The census puts the number of idiots at 24,527, of whom 14,485 are males. The negroes have a much larger representation in this class of unfortunates than in any other; of the above aggregate 3,188 are black, and mulattoes. Only 324 are over forty years old, and 5 only in the United States have seen 100 unhappy years. Of the blind, deaf and dumb, insane and idiotic, the net number is 98,451. There are a few who are afflicted in more ways than one; 96 are blind and deaf and dumb; 75 of the blind are insane; 105 of the idiots are blind; 7 poor wretches are blind, deaf, dumb and insane, and 11 of the idiots are also blind deaf and dumb. Daily State Journal.

A Chinese Funeral in New Jersey.

One of the Chinese colony, located at Zelleville, N. J., died a fortnight since. He was buried by his countrymen. The ceremony is thus described: "The body was dressed in Sunday attire, consisting of a new Nanking suit, and placed in a walnut coffin which was immediately sealed. Then the coffin was placed on a wagon—a hearse being objected to—and the procession moved to the cemetery. Here the mourners formed a circle around the graves, for, according to the Chinese rites two cavities, a larger and a smaller one, had been dug. Four Chinamen then gently removed the coffin and placed it between the two graves. A Methodist clergyman then offered a prayer, which was intelligible, however, to but a small portion of those present. The coffin was then lowered in the larger grave and immediately covered up with earth. In the smaller grave was placed a teapot, a rissnap, chopsticks and clothing of the deceased. On top of all this was placed a large earthen vessel, containing a cooked chicken, rice and salted fish. All of this was then covered up with dirt. The clothes worn by the deceased on the day of his death were then burned, after which a number of fire-crackers were exploded, the graves were saluted with a low bow, and the ceremony was concluded by presenting each of the mourners with a small bouquet.

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Interesting Items.

Hon. J. Milton Turner.

This distinguished government official writes to Rev. John Turner, a long and interesting letter in which he expresses a decided preference for his home in the State of Missouri. His letter also brings the intelligence that Mrs. Turner, who has been with him in Monrovia, will soon return to the United States, the climate being much against her health. —Mississippi Weekly Review.

MARKING HIS PARDON.—One day last week the jail at Augusta, Georgia, was set fire by hot cinders from a burning chimney falling on the roof. The building was saved by the heroism of one of the colored prisoners, who certainly earned the pardon which the Governor subsequently gave him. The Augusta Chronicle thus describes the incident:

A colored prisoner, named Peter Blair, offered to go out on the roof and throw water on the shingles. As our readers are aware, the roof rises in the shape of a pyramid, and is so steep that it would tax the ingenuity of a fly to maintain his position. On this perilous place Blair went, and dashed bucket full after bucket full of water on the shingles, while every minute the spectators expected to see him fall to the ground and be crushed to death. When all danger was over he crept back to the scuttle and into the jail. Blair was sentenced last October to six months imprisonment, but on account of the service which he performed a petition for his pardon, approved by the jailor, was sent to Atlanta.

"Good old" Reverdy Johnson favors the proposed abandonment and disbanding of the Democratic party on the ground that all prospect of party success is hopeless. And "dear old" Garret Davis opposes that policy and recommends the nomination of "poor old" Millard Fillmore by the next Democratic National Convention.

The salary of President Thiers is six times greater than that of President Grant.

The Western Female Seminary, Oxford, Ohio, which was completely destroyed by fire last April, has been rebuilt, and reopened recently with 150 scholars. The enterprise and zeal of the friends of this benevolent institution are worthy of commendation.

San Francisco, scarcely more than a barren waste twenty years ago, to-day contains 170,000 inhabitants.

Fun and Fancy.

—Somebody once asked Tom Corwin if he had heard a certain story of Lewis D. Campbell's. "Was it about himself?" inquired Mr. Corwin. "No, I believe not." "Well, then, I never heard it," said Mr. Corwin, gravely.

"Boy," said an ill tempered old fellow to a noisy lad, "what are you hollerin' for when I am going by?" "Humph," returned the boy "what are you going by for when I am hollerin'?"

"I'm sitting on the 'style,' Mary," as the fellow said when he coolly sat down on his sweetheart's new bonnet.

A Tyro's Error.—The anguish of editors will never cease until typesetters are wiped off the face of earth. There, for instance, is the editor of the Eastern Argus. He alluded to one of the most eminent citizens of his village as "a noble old burgher, proudly loving his native State." But was it not a serious cause for dissatisfaction when he saw in the paper next morning that the remorseless fiend had made him speak of the eminent citizen as "a nobby old burgher prowling around in a naked state?"

A gentleman of a slightly irritable temper, calling out loudly for some hot water from his bedroom, was unanswerd. Seizing a small bureau, he shoved it before him to the head of the stairs and sent it whirling end over end to the hall below. The crash was loud enough to bring out mother, daughter, and all the servants. The head of the family was spotted at the top of the stairs, elbows on knees, chin resting on hands. "Oh! father, what is the matter?" asked the frightened daughter. "Matter!" said the old man. "Why, here I have been a callin' a 'id callin' for yer nigh on half an hour, and now I've telegraphed for yer. That's all."

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