

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

Frank—A superficies is a figure of two dimensions; viz., length and breadth.

One of the most popular lawyers at the Royal Court of Martinique was the celebrated M. Pay a mulatto.

Sam H.—The immediate cause of the reformation in England was a quarrel between Henry VIII and the Pope. (2) Henry VIII died in 1547 and was succeeded by his son Edward VI.

S L R—The great fire of London began September 2, 1666, and continued three days, in which 13,000 houses and 400 streets were destroyed. Tea was first used in England in the same year.

Miss C. R.—Guinea took its name from the coast of Guinea in Africa from which place the gold for it was originally brought. The guinea is no longer coined but the term still indicates 21 shillings.

Cadet—General Paez Sometime, President of Venezuela was a colored man; General Piar who bore a conspicuous part in the Columbian revolution was a mulatto; General Lucce the commander in chief at the battle of Ayacucho 1824 the most remarkable ever fought in South America, was a black man. He was in 1826 elected President of Bolivia.

Scipio Africanus, an African, in his boyhood was one of the playmates of Louis Philippe, King of France and was one of the family of the Duke of Orleans. He became an officer in the French Army under Joubert and was killed with that officer at the battle of Novi in 1779. Pellet, a highly respected and popular officer in the National Guard of France, was a dark mulatto.

What is meant by "Benefit of clergy?"—R. N. A.

It is an expression referring to a former state of the law in England, a when clergyman had the benefit of being exempted from prosecution for alleged crimes and offences before any civil tribunal. In course of time laymen who could read claimed and were allowed the like privilege. Benefit of clergy was finally abolished in the reign of George IV.

The elder Dumas (Alex) a black man was one of the most literary characters of the West India Island and a General of Artillery. He for a long time commanded a legion in the French army and was one of Bonaparte's favorite generals of division, and named by him "Horatious Coeles of the Tyrols." His son, a mulatto, is deemed second only in literature to Victor Hugo and the distinguished honor of being elected a member of the French Institute.

Historicus—(a) We think not. (b) The Egyptians and the Ethiopians first discovered the art of reading, writing, letters and figures, building, moulding, making, carving, casting, forging, engraving, carving, spinning, weaving, dyeing, sawing, ploughing, planting, reaping, threshing, winnowing, grinding, preserving, embalming, navigation fighting. No modern nation has been able thus far to discover the secret by which the Egyptians and Ethiopians embalmed their dead.

J. K. L.—On the 20 of March 1779 it was recommended by Congress to the states of Georgia and South Carolina to raise 3,000 colored troops who were to be rewarded for their services by their freedom. The delegations from those States informed Congress that such a body of troops would not only "be formidable to the enemy, but would lessen the danger of revolts and desertions among the slaves themselves."

See secret journal of the old Congress, vol. 1, pages 105 and 107.

The word Adam is derived as follows: Adam, Adamah, Adami, Admah which means earthy. The earth is a dark rich substance and from it our first parents were taken. If we admit that Dr. Brown's and other Bible dictionaries are correct in their explanation of the meaning of terms then the deduction must be that Ethiopia—Gen. 11 13 was black. No, we do not think Bishop Turner is wrong in asserting that Jesus Christ is black. He has as much right as any one else to express an opinion on this question. We are rather inclined to the belief that the Bishop has good grounds for making the statement. What proof has any one adduced to show that Jesus Christ is white? What passage in the scriptures establishes his racial identity? He was a Jew. Are all Jews white?

The black Jews in Asia have all the sacred writings which were given before the Babylonish captivity?

Wisdom and knowledge are not distinctively American products.

SPARKS FROM OUR ANVIL.

No, Sarah Jane, a prudent woman is not necessarily a prude.

About the worst thing in the world is reading a "continued" story in a weekly newspaper.

What has become of the old-fashioned mother who used to rub goose grease on her child's breast when it was suffering from cold?

When a woman says she believes she'll get drunk "just for fun, to see how it feels," bet your last dollar that she has been there before.

When a girl is going on a visit of but ten or fifteen miles, there are as many girls at the station to see her off as if she were going to Europe.

Have you ever yet met a colored man that couldn't beat anybody writing his own name? If you have, mark his name down on your list of curios.

If some girls should place as many candles as they are years old on their birthday cake, they would be compelled to have a cake baked as large as a washtub.

Many a woman likes to have the men folks think she is "bad," and then find out, upon a more through acquaintance, that she is not so bad as they have thought her.

Every plug printer has a new bluff; in order to make others believe he is jam up to date, when applying for a job, he carries hanging out from his coat pocket an Inland Printer.

Some "literary" men's idea of literature is to write as badly as they possibly can, that their printers may not understand them, and in order to have it said of them that "all smart men write badly."

A woman will use the choicest language complimentary to the perfect fit of another's new gown, and then, after the latter has gone, will say critically: "My! but isn't she a sight? Her skirts hang dreadfully."

When there is a joke at the theater about married men fooling with other men's wives, and there is an unusual clapping of the hands, it all comes unanimously from the women who have indiscreet husbands, and know it.

There is a great deal said nowadays about Turkey's defiant attitude as shown toward Uncle Sam, but the fact remains nevertheless that Uncle Sam's official family numbering some seventy odd

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Whenever a vaudeville monologue comedian fails to make a hit with any other joke, he takes refuge behind a "joke" on something about Bryan which is sure to create a ripple of laughter. The Bryan "joke" is destined to go down to history along with the ancient mother-in-law joke and others that have seen better days.

When a girl is 18 she has all sorts of beautiful dreams of marriage in which she is the central figure, walking down the aisles of the church while the grand pipe organ is pumping off Mendelsohn's or Lohengrin's march, to which her many attendants trip toe harmoniously. When she reaches 25, however, she dreams no more, and sees a condition of reality by which she is confronted with a six dollar a week man and a mop and washtub in the back ground.
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