

BENT-BACKED WOMEN.

And the Era of Loose Garments.

Clara Bell in the Cincinnati Enquirer.

All the indications are that a period of loose garments is setting in for outdoor wear. This is happy news for all women except the minority of perfect-shaped ones, on whom tight clothes are enhancers of natural charms.

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A few seasons ago. The proportion of my sex with a slight curvature of the spine, one shoulder or hip higher than the other, or some other irregularity, that any dress-maker will tell you that few dresses have two sides exactly alike in shape.

Treating a Cow Like a Lady.

A man came into the office on Tuesday with a black eye, a strip of court plaster across his cheek, one arm in a sling, and he leaned on a crutch and wiped the perspiration away from around a lump on his forehead with a red cotton handkerchief he wiped if the editor was in. Being answered in the affirmative, he said:

treatment of cattle. Why the thirty galloped over me, and I never want to read your old paper again. We tried to explain to him that the advice did not apply to brindle cows at all, but he hobbled out the maddest man that ever asked a cow to hold in diplomatic language.—Chicago Tribune.

POPE LEO XIII.

His Personal Habits—How he Passes the Day—His Duties, etc.

Now that there is so much talk concerning the possible, not to say probable, departure of the Pope from the Vatican and from that Rome in which he is no longer master, it may be interesting to know something of the way in which what he is pleased to call his prison.

Some New Geography.

"Of what is the surface of the earth composed?" "Of corner lots, mighty poor roads, railroad tracks, baseball grounds, cricket fields and skating rinks."

A WAR STORY ABOUT STANTON.

How He was Worried by a Telegram in Cheenook Sent by General Ingalls.

Approves of the suppressed Rosecrans telegram to General Garfield at the Baltimore convention in 1864, in which General Rosecrans consented to the use of his name for the Vice-Presidential nomination, the following war story, vouchsafed as authentic, is told upon Secretary Stanton's part.

SUSAN B. ANTHONY.

The Truth About a Woman Whom The Newspaper Wits Poke Fun at.

Susan B. Anthony is about to celebrate her birthday. Recent discoveries in the Egyptian tombs throw considerable light upon the date of that interesting event.—Exchange.

Some years ago Miss Anthony and Mrs. Stanton started a woman's paper in New York, The Revolution. It was able, admirably edited and printed, and it did not succeed. Miss Anthony's share of the loss was about \$10,000, most of which she had borrowed from a sister, a school teacher in Rochester.

New York Sixty-Five Years Ago.

It will be sixty-five years next Fourth of July since DeWitt Clinton broke ground for the canal, and the progress which the city has made since then is suggested by a curious book of contemporary date. I refer to "Blunt's Picture of New York," published in 1817.

Canada has just got up the walking-match fever. They never get up things in a hurry up there.

A Sketch of Mark Twain.

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BENNINGTON, Kan. Give a sketch of Mark Twain, as full as space will allow. E. S. ROGERS. Answer.—Samuel Langhorne Clemens is a native of Florida, Monroe county, Mo., where he was born Nov. 30, 1835.

Cure for Cribbing.

Let me mention a cure for cribbing in horses. At least I found a cure for my first attempt in horse-flesh. The animal was warranted in writing, "free from all tricks," etc. The first ten days no tricks were observed.

How Alligators Eat.

An alligator's throat is an animated sewer. Everything which lodges in his open mouth goes down because they are not always strikingly original, and to satisfy whom the party at a country house should have included the Prophet Isaiah, Plato, Francis Bacon and Voltaire.

Conversational Hints.

"We mortals," says George Eliot, "should chiefly like to talk to each other out of good will and fellowship, not for the sake of hearing revelations or being stimulated by witticisms, and I have usually found that it is the rather dull person who appears to be disgusted with his contemporaries because they are not always strikingly original, and to satisfy whom the party at a country house should have included the Prophet Isaiah, Plato, Francis Bacon and Voltaire.

Silver.

In a pure white metal, and is capable of taking a very high polish. It is found native, also in combination with many non-metallic elements, more particularly with sulphur and chlorine, forming the beautiful minerals known as ruby silver and many other handsome species of ore, the character of which is much influenced by the proportions of chemical ingredients that may enter into the constitution of the silver-bearing mineral.

Handling a Tennessee Crowd.

A Michigan man who has a patent windmill went down to Tennessee last fall to see what he could do among the farmers of that State. Reaching a town in the central part of the State, he went to a dealer in agricultural implements and stated his desire to erect his machine and call attention to it.

A Personal Sketch of George W. Cable.

The February Midwinter Century contains a frontispiece portrait, engraved by Cole, of the author of "Old Creole Days," and "The Grandisseries," and a study of his life and writings, by Col. George E. Waring, Jr., in which we find the following pen-portrait of the novelist and some account of his family.

Mistaken Kindness.

Mornon wagon took sunflowers along with them on their way to Utah, and Iowa farmers have had a hard time fighting the pest. A single Scotch thistle planted in Victoria—the Scotchmen there had a congratulatory dinner over it twenty years ago—has covered tens of thousands of acres and been the destruction of farms.

SIDE DISHES.

The man at the telephone office always has a "holier back." Strange, the more wicked a man is the less he believes in hell.

Produce Market Report.

Butte, M. T., March 24, 1882. The following are the wholesale prices paid by merchants and hotel keepers for the commodities enumerated, delivered from the wagon. Price list carefully corrected every Saturday.