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Ex.

Coal oil comes near being the fat

of the land.—New Orleans Picayune.

The oil regions take kindly to a

gushing bore.—Cincinnati Commercial.

In court etiquette a prisoner

comes before a judge.—New Orleans

Picayune.

When the bell punch sounds in

Richmond saloons the punsters call

it the whisky ring.

An exchange speaks of "petro-

leum princes." They must be lords

of the ile.—Boston Post.

Egg flippancy—"Confound it,

waiter, how long do you keep

eggs?" "Till they're ate, sor."—

Punch.

A woman's heart is just like a

lithographer's stone—what is once

written on it cannot be rubbed out.

—Ex.

A well moulded arm is prettier

without bracelets; besides they are

liable to scratch a fellows ears.—

Belfast Journal.

An experienced boy says he re-

gards hunger and the schoolmas-

ter's ratten as about the same thing,

as they both make him holler.

The man who said he had just

got out of a tight place had been

seen a few minutes before wiping

his mouth in a drinking saloon.—

Ex.

New York Commercial: Mr.

Hen appears among the members

of the Minnesota Methodist Con-

vention. A lay delegate, we sup-

pose.

"The best way to cure a crying

child," says an advertisement, "is

to buy it a baby carriage." That's

right; keep the bawl rolling.—De-

troit Free Press.

"My luck," exclaimed a Bohemian,

"is so atrociously bad that I be-

lieve if I were to invest in some

soap, washing would go out of fash-

ion to-morrow."

The marriage of George Rong

and Sara A. Rong was recently

celebrated with fine eclat. This is

an instance where two rongs made

a rite.—Worcester Press.

The Russian bear had better

climb a tree.—Ex.

Yes, he'd find that a more con-

genial clim it, possibly.—New York

Commercial Advertiser.

Some Indians use scalping knives

of tortoise shell, probably on ac-

count of the old fable in which the

tortoise was alleged to have got

away with the hare.—Ex.

Where one woman scans the hori-

zon for signs of the dawn of a

brighter era, ten are scouting

among their neighbors trying to

Franklin's Kite.

In order to test the identity of

lightning and electricity, Benjamin

Franklin devised an ingenious ex-

periment, which was to send up a

pointed wire upon a kite, by the

string of which the lightning might

be brought within his reach. He

soon succeeded in realizing this,

the most bold and grand conception

which ever presented itself to the

imagination of an experimental

philosopher.

He prepared his kite by making

a small cross of two light strips of

cedar, the arms of sufficient length

to extend to the four corners of a

large silk handkerchief stretched

upon them. To the extremities

of the arms of the cross he tied the

corners of the handkerchief. This

being properly supplied with a tail,

loop, and string, could be raised in

the air like a common paper kite,

and, being made of silk, was more

capable of bearing rain and wind.

To the upright arm of the cross,

was attached an iron point, the

lower end of which was in contact

with the string by which the kite

was raised, which was a hempen

cord. At the lower extremity of

this cord, near the observer, a key

was fastened; and, in order to in-

tercept the electricity in its de-

scend, and prevent it from reach-

ing the person who held the kite, a

silk ribbon was tied to the ring of

the key, and continued to the hand

by which the kite was held.

Furnished with this apparatus,

on the approach of a storm, he

went out upon the commons near

Philadelphia, accompanied by his

son, to whom alone he communica-

ted his intentions, well knowing

the ridicule which would have at-

tended the report of such an at-

tempt, should it prove to be unse-

ccessful. Having raised the kite,

he placed himself under a shed,

that the ribbon by which it was

held might be kept dry, as it would

become a conductor of electricity

when wetted by rain, and so fall to

afford that protection for which

it was provided. A cloud, appar-

ently charged with thunder, soon

passed directly over the kite. He

observed the hempen cord, but no

bristling of its fibres was apparent,

such as was wont to take place

when it was electrified.

He presented his knuckle to the

key, but the smallest spark was

preceptable. The agony of his

expectation and suspense can be

adequately felt by those only who

have entered into the spirit of such

experimental researches. After the

lapse of some time, he saw that the

fibers of the chord near the key

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