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AT THE CITY STORE, Opposite the Court House, in Paw Paw, may be found a good assortment of Boots & Shoes, manufactured in our own shops, and warranted to suit. Also, a choice selection of Family Groceries for sale cheap by P. A. SPANGLER, 152-153.

DENTISTRY, Dr. W. Brown can be found at all times at his rooms over Isaac Warren and Co's Store, and is prepared to execute all kinds of dentistry, and to fill teeth in the line of his profession. Teeth extracted, filled with gold or silver foil and new ones inserted, singly or in sets, upon the most improved principles of the art. 147.

DRAYMAN, J. B. HENNING, having established himself in Paw Paw village for the purpose of following the above business will attend to all "jobs" in his line with diligence and dispatch. See Gardens Ploughed to Order, &c. Paw Paw, Mich., March 21th, 1858.—144-1y.

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W. E. HAWKINS, Dealer in Dry Goods, Groceries, Hardware, Ready-Made Clothing, Boots and Shoes, Hats and Caps, &c. Store, south side Main street. 4-1y.

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A Hard Story, There is a doctor in the north-western part of this consolidated city, who is especially remarkable for being, as the women term it, "short and crusty." A week or two since he was called to visit a patient who was laboring under a severe attack of "cheap whisky."

"Well, doctor, I'm down, you see; completely floored; I've got the Delirium Triangles, you know!"

"Tremens, you fool; where did you get the rum?" inquired the doctor.

"All over in spots; broke out promiscuously; doctor."

"Further off of the same disease; took him under the short ribs and carried him off bodily."

"Well, you've got to take something immediately."

"You're a trump, Doc.; here, wife, I'll take a nip of old rye."

"Lie still, blockhead. Mrs. B., if your husband should get worse before I return, which will be in an hour, just give him a dose of that trunk strap, may be that'll fetch him to a sense of his folly. The doctor sailed out grandly, and within an hour called in again, and found his friend of the "Delirium Tremendous," in a terrible condition, writhing and struggling with pain. His wife, a female of the plain but ignorant school, came, and laying her hand on the doctor's arm, said, "Doctor, I gave him the strap as you directed."

"Did you thrash him well?"

"Thrash him!" exclaimed the astonished woman; "no, but I cut the strap into hash and made him swallow it."

"Oh, Lord! doctor," roared the victim, "I swallowed the leather, but—"

"But what?"

"I swallowed the whole strap, but I'm blow'd if I could swallow the buckle."

"The doctor administered two bread pills and evaporated."

The Wife's Commandments, 1. Thou shalt have no other wife but me.

2. Thou shalt not take into thy house any beautiful brazen image of a servant girl, to bow down to her and serve her for I am a jealous wife visiting, &c.

3. Thou shalt not take the name of thy wife in vain.

4. Remember thy wife, to keep her respectfully and well dressed.

5. Honor thy wife's father and mother.

STRANGE DEVELOPMENTS In the Spiritual Circle!!

BROTHER NICKERSON.—The following circumstances were communicated through me to you by the spirits, or in other words, I am a medium of the first water; for I took my pen in hand to day, and the spirits dictated me to impart to you, and hence to your readers, the following strange facts in "Harmonical Philosophy."

It seems to me to be almost more than I can believe, but when we consider that the spirits "are around" these days, baking slap-jacks, moving tables, bedsteads and trunks, talking with the dead, healing the sick and wounded, practicing dentistry, and conversing with distant relatives; why should you, or I, or anybody else, doubt their ability, or disposition to get up marriages, or divorces, or cause the Love-life of Pe-males to desert her Husband, her children, and her friends!

I think, with the amount of evidence before us of these things, that we must be entirely spiritless to say there is nothing in spiritualism. I, myself, have always, up to this time, been an unbeliever in the medium business, but when the spirits make me write things that I knew nothing about before, I must say that I "care." Hence I take this method of making the fact public.

SPIRITUAL COMMUNICATION, There dwells in the land of Clarendon, over against Natville, a certain Chief Magistrate, a ruler over many people, who is well skilled in law, politics, surveying, and above all in "Harmonical Philosophy." Now this chief Magistrate is a firm believer in spiritual mesmerism, Joe Walker-ies, Mrs. Tuttle-ism, and other non-entities. Now, therefore, owing to the extreme devotion and obedience of this disciple and his hand-maiden, Chloe to the mandates of the spirits, through their mediums, they were blessed with a greater manifestation of regard than has fallen to the lot of any mortal since the days of Elijah, or Bezubeeb.

Now it happened near the 8th hour of the 15th day of the 5th month of the year A. D. 1855, this chief ruler heard a great knocking at his gate; whereupon he looked up and beheld not far off a man clothed with the spirit and long beard.

And the ruler spoke and asked him concerning the nature of his visit; and he answered and said, behold I am the great High Priest, in the order of the spiritual mediums, and am come from the east, from whence emanates all true light, and am traveling to the west in search of a star of beauty; tell me, is thy hand-maiden Mary within thy gates? And the Chief Ruler answered and said: How knowest thou that I had a hand-maiden by the name of Mary? And the High Priest answered and said: Verily I say unto you that it was revealed to me when a deep sleep was upon me, by the spirits of the departed just, made perfect by believing in harmonical Philosophy; of which I am the author and teacher among the nations of the Earth. And the Chief Ruler cried aloud and said, Allah! Allah! God is great, enter in at the gate, shake the dust from thy sandals, for my house shall be thy house; and straightway he entered the house of the Chief Ruler, washed the High Priest's feet, anointed his beard and gave him meat to eat and water to drink, that it might be said of him, that as he had done to others even so would he expect it to be done him in like manner.

And it came to pass that when the High Priest had eaten, the Chief Ruler sent for his hand-maiden Mary, who was a believer in Spiritual Manifestations and Harmonical Philosophy; and it came to pass that when Mary beheld the great High Priest, she fell upon her face and wept, and prayed that she might find favor in his sight, and that she might glean where he gleaned, and that where he ate, sleep where he slept, and that she might be permitted to wash his feet, anoint his beard and call his people her people, his house her house, so long as their spirits dwelt in harmony. But if it should come to pass that there should arise strife, contentions or the least warring of their spirits, or if she should behold another man more comely than the High Priest or one with a longer beard and the spirits told her to leave the High Priest and cleave to the other—then she would feel constrained to do so inasmuch as she is a strong minded woman and gifted much above her sex, in speech, manners and intellect. Then the High Priest answered and said: Arise beautiful virgin for thou hast found favor in my sight—go home—array thyself in bridal habiliments, for it is the express command of the spirits that we should be united during their pleasure and our own. And straightway she arose and went away to put on the bridal dress, while the Chief Ruler took counsel of Benedict's treatise as to the precise form and ceremony of a Spiritual Marriage.—And it came to pass that in a few minutes, Mary the kinswoman of Chloe appeared before the High Priest and the Chief Magistrate, arrayed in garments of white silk; spotted as the lily and a wreath of white roses crowning her expansive and intellectual brow. Then the Chief Ruler commanded the High Priest and Mary to

stand up before him, that he might unite by law, those that the Spirit had joined together in harmony of feeling. And after the Chief Ruler had called in the witnesses from the field, he spoke unto the High Priest and said; wilt thou take Mary the kinswoman of Chloe to be thy lawful and wedded wife, so long as either of you shall live. And the High Priest answered and said; I am a man of the Spirit, guided by the Spirit, hence I put the long accustomed usages of society far from me; neither do I reverence the precepts of the Bible enough to let them prevail with me against the manifest teachings of the Spirit; hence I promise to take for my lawful and wedded wife, until the Spirits shall reveal to me, that our Spirits do not harmonize; or until they reveal to me one more lovely than she; to all of which I do most solemnly promise. And the Chief Ruler answered and said; Allah! Allah! God is great, so mote it be. Then the Chief Ruler spoke unto Mary and said; wilt thou forsake and renounce the vain things of this world and cleave unto this High Priest, so long as thou or either of you shall live. And she answered and said; yea verily I will forsake and renounce all the vain things of this world, even unto my former husband; yea, and my two lovely children, to become this man's wife. And I will remain faithful to him so long as our spirits harmonize, or until I see a man that finds more favor in my sight—when I will go from the east, the place of light, to the west, the place of moral darkness, obtain a divorce, leave my family and friends, and do the entire bidding of the Spirit, even if it should be to marry again. Then the High Priest answered and said; Mary! howbeit that thou art arrayed in spotless white, with a wreath of white roses on thy head; those being the emblems of virginity, when thou hast a husband, and also children—Then she answered and said; verily verily I say unto you that that was a marriage of the Body and convenience, and not of Soul or Spirit, therefore I consider my dress as an emblem of the condition of my Spirit—spotless as the lily. Then the High Priest answered and said "Eureka!"

"I have found" one that is born of the Spirit in whom I am well pleased.—Whereupon the Chief Ruler pronounces the spirit one flesh. And straightway Chloe spread the table and set before them meat and eggs and wine and tea and cakes, whereupon they did eat and drink and were satisfied, when they soon took their departure for the east, the residence of the High Priest and the excitement produced along the highway as they were leaving town can best be described by a verse from John Gilpin—for:

The dogs did bark, the children screamed Up flew the windows all, And every soul cried out well done, As loud as they could bawl.

MEDIUM, A. N. 1.

A Runaway Couple, A runaway couple, "true lovers," of the most fervent Yankee stamp, arrived at a small inn near Boston, and wanted the landlord to send for a minister to "splice 'em, and to be "quick about it."

The landlord complied, and the "licensed minister came."

"Be you the minister?" asked the bridegroom.

"I am, he replied.

"O, you be, eh? What's your name?"

"Stiggins."

"Was, new, Stiggins," said the Yankee, "do it up brown, and your money is ready;" and forthwith the reverend gentleman pronounced:

"You will please join hands."

The Yankee stood up with his lady-love, and seized her fervently by the hand.

"You promise, Mr. A.—" said the parson, "to take this woman—"

"Yas," said the bridegroom.

"To be your lawful and wedded wife?"

"Yas—Yas!"

"That you will love and honor her in all things?"

"Martin—yas, I tell yer!"

"That you will cling to her and her only as long as you both shall live?"

"Yas, in fact—nothin' else!" continued the Yankee, in the most delighted and earnest manner.

But here the reverend gentleman halted, much to the surprise of all present, and to the especial annoyance and discomfort of the ardent bridegroom.

"One moment, my friend," responded the minister, slowly; for it had occurred to him that the laws of his State did not permit this performance without the "publication of the banns" for a certain length of time.

"Wha—wha—what in time is the matter? Don't stop here! Put her thru! What's split, parson? Anything gin' out?"

"Just at this moment my friend I have remembered that you cannot be married in Massachusetts, as the law—"

was on the border of Rhode Island) on the sly, you see parson."

"I really—sir—" said the minister.

"R—n—t—l—y!—wall, never mind; go ahead! 'Tant fair—don't you see taint? You married me, and haint teched her! Now don't stop here! 'Taint the fair thing—by gracious, 'taint now and you know it!"

"I will consult—" said the minister hesitatingly.

"No, you won't—no, you don't! You don't consult nothin' nor nobody, until this 'ere business is concluded!"—And with this he, turned the key and put it (amidst the uttering of the witnesses whom the landlord had called in) in his pocket.

Seizing the hand of his trembling bride he said:

"Go on, now—straight from where you left off; put us through, and no dodging. It'll be all right; if it ain't right, we'll make it right in the morning, as the saying is."

After reflecting a moment, the parson concluded to run the risk of the informality. So he continued:

"You promise, madam to take this man to be your lawful husband?"

"Yas," said the Yankee, as the lady bowed.

"And that you will love, honor and obey him?"

"That's 'em!" said Jonathan, as the lady bowed again.

"And that you will cling to him as long as you both shall live?"

"That's the talk—stick to one another allers"—and the lady said "yes" again.

"Then, in the presence of these witnesses, I pronounce you man and wife."

"Hoorah!" shouted Jonathan, leaping half way to the ceiling with joy.

"And what God has joined together let no man put asunder."

"Hoorah!" continued Jonathan.—"What's the price?" (The parson seemed to hesitate.) "How much? Spit it out—don't be afraid. You did it like a book! Here's a V.—Never mind the change! Send for a hack, haddior. Give us your bill. I've got her! Hail Colambly!"

The poor fellow seemed to be entirely unable to control his joy; and ten minutes afterwards, he was on his way to the railroad depot with his wife, "the happiest man out of jail," said the witnesses who described the scene.—N. Y. Picayune.

Decidedly Cool, The truth of the following story is vouched for by the Missouri correspondent of Harper's Monthly:

Not a hundred miles from here, some six months ago, lived a fair widow, possessed of those charming qualities that most dazzle and charm the bachelor. She was young, handsome, and very wealthy.

Mrs. Jackson took an eastern tour last summer, and was beset by many suitors—ardent, anxious lovers—among whom the most persevering and devoted was a Kentucky lawyer, quite a promising man, but so enamored did he become of this fair widow that he left a lucrative practice at home, and followed her through the entire route of fashionable travel. He met her at Baltimore, Philadelphia, and New York; he dined with her at Saratoga and Newport; and when the season was drawing to a close, he happened to be with her at Niagara, and on the Ohio river, and even at St. Louis, when she was almost home. He was always pleading professional business as the reasons of his excursions here and there; but he managed to plead his own suit out of court when courting the widow, though he saw no evidence of a verdict in his favor. At length Mrs. Jackson stepped on board the boat at St. Louis, to go up the Missouri to her own residence, when, to her surprise, the indefatigable advocate presented himself, as fresh as a May morning. The widow exclaimed as she met him:

"Why, Mr. Johns, I thought that you were going to return to Louisville!"

"Mrs. Jackson, my dear madam," replied the lawyer, "I am here to renew the offer of my hand, and to beg your acceptance."

"Really, sir, I think I have been sufficiently explicit, and you had no encouragement to pursue the matter."

"But I hope madam, that my devotion and perseverance would finally be rewarded—"

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I mean what I say; take it, and pay yourself for your summer's work on my account, and let us be quits."

And he did take it; and the widow had to borrow money to get home. The widow was taken aback by the lawyer's cool acceptance of the gold; but he consoled himself with the idea that if she would not be his bride, she was at least fair game!

Important from Venezuela, Revolution at Caracas—Meeting of the Diplomats—Speech of Mr. Eames.

CARACAS, March 11. We are in the midst of a South American revolution. Some ten days ago, immediately after the publication of a general political amnesty, there was a rumor of guns concealed in the city, and impending danger. But the cry of wolf had been raised so often, that few were alarmed, and it did not deter me from going to Las Adjuntas, some fifteen miles from the capital to shoot deer. But, as it happened the keeper of the inn had gone to give the government notice that he had raised a box of muskets concealed in his house, and on arrival I saw some sixty sergeants there—fine looking, for that country, although mostly half-breed, but rather better equipped, and seeming to have more fight in them than the government troops. Their officer rode into the court-yard, which, being partly roofed, formed the dining-room of the hotel, and demanded brandy for the men, which was given him. After having remained there half an hour, possessed themselves of the guns, and threatened to kill two officials who refused to join them, but whom they finally released, they retreated and joined the detachment under Colonel Brito. The government troops, 400 strong, arrived at nightfall, eight hours too late. As the hills around were said to be filled with guerrillas, under young Perito, whose brother was executed by order of Morras some four years ago, and the report of a gun might have drawn a dozen shots upon me, I gave up hunting, and returned the next day to Caracas.

Upon the morning of the 8th, one of the foreign ministers acting upon apparently reliable information, that the President's life was in danger, conveyed the diplomatic body, wishing them to advise Morragas, on personal considerations, to resign, and to tender to him and his family, the hospitality and protection of the legations. So strong were his proofs that he seemed likely to gain his point, when a very manly and sensible speech from our able representative, Mr. Eames, enforcing the doctrine of non-intervention, convinced the wavering diplomats that they had better let the internal affairs of Venezuela alone.

Meanwhile General Irias, a man just before branded as a coward, by a printed circular signed "Many Officers of the Army," for not resisting a gross and public insult, had been sent out. He has been clamoring for reinforcements ever since, although he announced a victory in which three men were killed and four taken. All the peasants for twenty miles around had been brought in droves by an armed force sent to scour the country.—These raw levies, hastily and ill-equipped, many of these carrying their cartridges in their hands, have been dispatched to the scene of action under General Castell, an old soldier of Napoleon's who supercedes Irias. He will have in all some twelve thousand men, to oppose a force stated as four thousand. At the last accounts Valencia was in the possession of the insurgents. Irias had advanced to within seven miles of it, but had been obliged to retreat and entrench himself in the mountains.

A provincial government had been formed and General Castro, who is supposed to control the important province of Carabobo, had given in his adhesion to it. Puerto Cabello had pronounced, and the steamer which had run between there and Laguayra was seized, and sent to Caracas to be bored for guns. Private intelligence of this fact was received here five days before the government knew of it.

The chiefs of the revolutionary party are mostly men of high standing, and in the event of their success is little fear from violence. Munagas is universally hated, and his downfall seems certain.—He has ordered no quarter to be given, and tried to excite the recently liberated negroes to arms, by the announcement that the other party would re-enslave them. Those who have seen a black army in full swing will appreciate the effect of this threat upon the white portion of the inhabitants.

Caracas is in almost a state of siege.—Provisions have raised to famine prices as the country people will bring nothing to market for fear of imprisonment. The stables of the foreign ministers are filled with horses, sent there to save them from seizure for the troops, and their houses with fugitives.

Little apprehension is felt, but the city is filled with startling rumors, too vague to send you. I have selected from the different accounts only what seemed to be tolerably well ascertained. F. L. McC.

If you want an ignorant to respect you "dross to death," and wear watch seals about the size of a brickbat.