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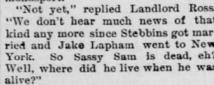
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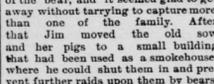
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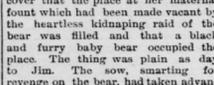
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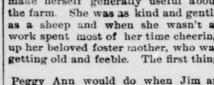
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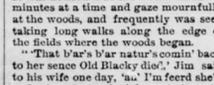
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ABOUT SPIRIT SLATES.

An Amusing and Easy Experiment in Prestidigitation. Two ordinary wooden framed slates are presented to the spectators, and examined in succession by them and the small piece of chalk is introduced between the two slates, which are then united by a rubber band and held aloft in the prestidigitator's right hand.

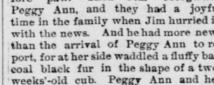


FIG. 1.

Then, in the general silence, says La Nature, is heard the scratching of the chalk, which is written between the two slates the answer to a question asked by one of the spectators—the name of a card thought of, or the number of spots obtained by throwing two dice. The rubber band having been removed and the slates separated, one of them is seen to be covered with writing.

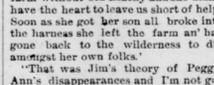


FIG. 2.

During the second examination the slate A is laid flat upon a table, the writing is turned upward and covered with black cardboard. The slate having been sufficiently examined, and returned to the operator, the latter says it upon the first, and both are then surrounded by the rubber band.



FIG. 3.

It is then that the operator holds up the slates with the left hand, of which one sees but the upper end, while upon the posterior face of the second slate the nail of his middle finger makes a sound, resembling that produced by chalk upon a blackboard.

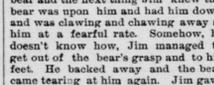


FIG. 4.

Our readers will not ask us how we managed to know in advance what should be written upon the slate. It is in prestidigitation; loaded dice always tell the truth, and nothing is easier than to know the name of the card that a spectator will draw from a pack composed of thirty-two similar cards, or to know the number of the ball that will be drawn from a roulette.

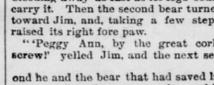


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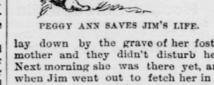


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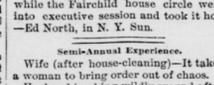


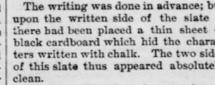
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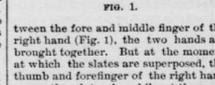
Albert Victor, Popularly Known as "Collars and Cuffs." The Young Man Who Will Soon Wed Princess Victoria Mary of Teck—He May at Some Time Be the King of England.

All funkeydom is aroused, and nothing else is talked about for the moment but the royal wedding, writes the New York World's London correspondent. People are already beginning to plot for invitations. It seems likely that by desire of the queen the ceremony will take place in St. George's chapel, Windsor. This, of course, will limit invitations to a comparatively small number of people. The prince of Wales is said to have expressed a preference for Westminster abbey, but the queen would not hear of it.



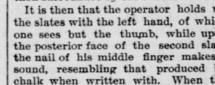
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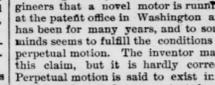
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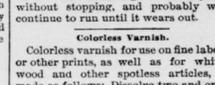
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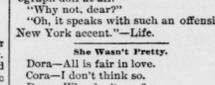
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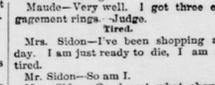
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SOME TOUGH KNOTS.

Useful Knots, Hitches and Hauls and How to Make Them. How many know how to tie a knot that will stay tied? Not many landsmen, according to our observation, though all feel the need of such knowledge. The pictures of knots, shown at Fig. 8, are taken from a little pamphlet called "Maritime Rope."

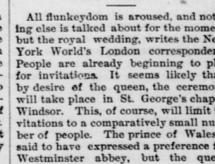


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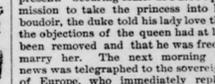


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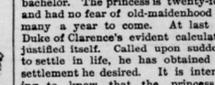


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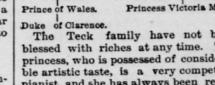


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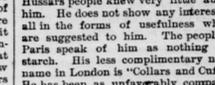


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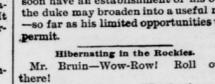


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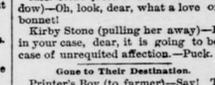
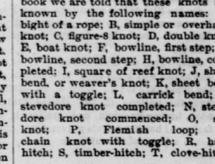


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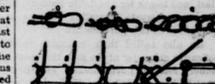
HOME ICE PACKING.

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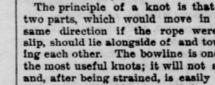
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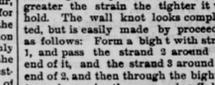
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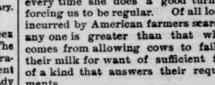
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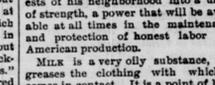
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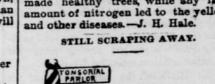
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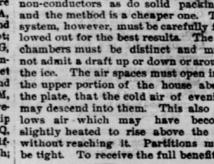


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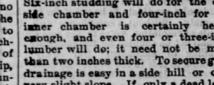
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