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## Execution by Electricity.

Harold P. Brown is the electrician who has been employed to provide the State of N. Y. with electrical apparatus for executions.

He is having set up at the Auburn, Clinton and Sing Sing prisons Westinghouse dynamos of 1000 volts power. They are known as 650 light machines, and will be driven by power already in use at the prisons.

The chair for the condemned is made of heavy oak, and resembles an ordinary reclining chair. The incline of the occupant will be about that of a man in a barber's chair. There are adjustable sliding and head rests. The cap for the condemned will be put on in his cell by the warden, in presence of the sheriff and a physician. In the cap will be an electrode or metal plate covered with a sponge saturated with salt water. A strap fastened under the arms and secured to a strong belt around the chest. On one foot will be placed a special shoe fitted with an electrode. The electrical resistance of the subject will be determined in the cell by means of reliable instruments. The condemned will then be conducted to the execution room and placed in a recumbent position in the chair, to which snaps will fasten the chest belt and ankle straps. The electrodes, pressing slightly on head and foot, will be connected with flexible wires passing through the chair and running to the dynamo. At a signal the executioner will close the circuit, and the current will be continued not more than 30 nor less than 15 seconds, according to the determined resistance. The alternating current has killed so many persons accidentally that there is no doubt as to the efficacy when systematically applied under favorable conditions. William Kemmler, who was found guilty of murder in Buffalo last week, will in all probability be the first man executed by electricity. Under the act execution must follow sentence within eight weeks.

If parents were to encourage their children to pay more attention to the reading of newspapers by subscribing for and taking one or more of them into the family, they would soon discover how much faster the children increase their stock of knowledge. Books soon become monotonous to the child, while the newspaper is fresh every day and week, and is looked for as a promised present. The home paper is the poor man's library, and the children's fount of knowledge. Any man can save enough in one month to supply his family with reading matter, in shape of a newspaper for one year.

A Sound Legal Opinion.  
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This great remedy will ward off, as well as cure all Malarial Diseases, and for all Kidney, Liver and Stomach Disorders stands unequalled. Price 50c, and \$1. at Jos. Shelton's.

The Old Gentleman Knew.  
"I wonder what has become of the poker?" exclaimed Mrs. Hunter, the other night.  
"I don't know, but maybe pa could tell," put in her youngest.  
"Why should he know?"  
"Because I heard Mr. Flub say that pa knew more about poker than any man in town."—Drake's Magazine.

The most delicate constitution can safely use Dr. J. H. McLean's Tar Wine Lung Balm. It is a sure remedy for coughs, loss of voice, and all throat and lung troubles, at G. G. Gill's.

## Items From Our Exchanges.

Spring!  
Spring is here.  
We are now having spring weather.

Ted Wilson has been enjoying very poor health for some weeks. If a certain young man don't repair that front gate we shall print his name in our paper. Look out Job.

Our friends have reasons to congratulate us, for we have several new fonts of type and can give their ads. a good display. We bought said type in the city ourselves.

We never like to indulge in personalities, but if that putty-brained idiot that runs a lying sheet at Tip's Corners makes any further remarks about our personal appearance, we shall go over and rock him to sleep. Put that in your pipe and smoke it.

Ike Herney was hopping mad this week. Sam Huddy ran away with his daughter Julia, and took a fine horse that Ike had refused fifty dollars for a few days before. This is a serious business, Sam. There is a law against horse stealing.—Texas Siftings.

A woman gifted at running "grab bag" socials called on a mother saying: "We have many useless articles that must be disposed of somehow. We've concluded to place them all on one table, under the charge of our most fascinating young ladies. Gentlemen will chat with them, they cannot go away without buying something; and the ladies can put their own prices on articles. We really want your daughter, she has such winning ways." Seeing indignation gathering in this noble mother's face, and knowing how carefully she had guarded her children from social contamination, she added: "Of course, she will have to play the agreeable to a good many you might not approve; still she need not recognize them afterwards."

"What!" exclaimed the mother. "allow my daughter to become a decoy to lure money out of men's pockets in return for shame and false smiles? Never! I hold my child's moral nature too sacred for that."—Ex.

Don't Dog the Cows.  
Every one who has anything to do with a cow should learn thoroughly this fact: that every annoyance and thing that excites or frets her takes a proportion from both the amount of richness of her yield, and in just so much takes money from her owner's pocket. A man who will permit it to be done, much less, himself dog the cows home from the pasture or kick and club them about the barn or yards is not a fit person to own or have charge of cows. It is not only cruel to the defenseless cow, but is ruinous to his own finances, a reason that ought to appeal strongly enough to his avarice to compel proper treatment of his property if humanity will not.—Western Farmer.

The New Discovery.  
You have heard your friends and neighbors talking about it. You may yourself be one of the many who know from personal experience just how good a thing it is. If you have ever tried it, you are one of its staunch friends, because the wonderful thing about it is, that when once given a trial Dr. King's New Discovery ever after holds a place in the house. If you have never used it and should be afflicted with a cough, or any throat, lung or chest troubles, secure a bottle at once, and give it a fair trial. It is guaranteed ever time, or money refunded. Trial bottles free at Joe Shelton's Drugstore.

Boss Book Agent—"Have you ever done any canvassing?" Green applicant—"Well, I should smile. I worked in a Chicago ham factory for two years."—Washington Critic.

"The awkwardest thing in the world," says a cynical neighbor, "is a woman handling a gun." Don't know about that; did you ever see a man handling a baby?

## A Trout's Gratitude.

"A man named Hicks, who lives out in the hills of Arkansas, has on his farm a beautiful stream," says a writer in the Amateur Sportsman. "He attempted to stock it with trout, but soon discovered that the water was too warm. Not discouraged, he proceeded to cool the water. He started an ice factory, and every morning now during the summer he deposits ice in the different pools. Well, sir, it would tickle you to see the fish. When a wagon draws up to a pool the driver yells 'Ice!' and the fish come flying out from under the rocks. They get up on the ice and carry on in a perfect flutter of glee. Beats anything I ever saw."

"You know Hicks, do you, Dave?"

"Know him? Why, he doesn't live more than two miles from my place."

"Does he allow anybody to catch the trout?"

"He will give you all you can catch with a hook."

"I believe I will go out some time."

"Won't do you any good?"

"Why?"

"The fish won't bite for anybody but Hicks."

"Why won't?"

"No, sir; you couldn't get a nibble."

"How do you account for it?"

"Gratitude."

"What?"

"Gratitude, I tell you. They know Hicks. They know how much he has done for them. Why, sir, he can pull them out as fast as he can throw in. You ought to see them look up in his face and smile. One day I was with him. Two of the biggest trout I ever saw began to fight for the hook. One of them got it, and the other one, determined not to be outdone, came out on the bank and lay down. I never saw such gratitude."

For a safe and certain remedy for fever and ague, use Dr. J. H. McLean's Chill and Fever Cure; it is warranted to cure, at G. G. Gill's.

Which Was Right?  
At the late election on the prohibitory amendment a Massachusetts man on going to the polls was confronted by a lady, who said to him:

"Young man, are you married?"

"Yes, madam."

"Have you a family?"

"Yes madam."

Then take this Yes ballot and cast it, and you will find it all the better for your family and your home."

"Madam," said the young man, "are you married?"

"Yes sir."

"Have you a family?"

"Yes sir."

Then give those ballots to some man and go home and attend to your family, and it will be all the better for everybody.—Ex.

Sick headache, biliousness, nausea, costiveness, are promptly and agreeably banished by Dr. J. H. McLean's Liver and Kidney Pills (little pills.) At G. G. Gill's.

A guest of Northern soldiers, Gen. Gordon, Governor of Georgia, says: "I would trust with a thousand fold more confidence the honor and safety of the republic to the keeping of those worn and battle-scarred heroes who buried their political prejudices at Appomattox, and who were glad to extend soldierly greetings to a sincere man who had fought against them, than to trust that republic to the men who are unable to hide their passions, even while doing honor to the memory of Washington." And that is about the feeling of all of Gen. Gordon's fellow soldiers and fellow-citizens in this part of the country.—Piscayune.

If health and life are worth anything, and you are feeling out of sorts and tired out, tone up your system by taking Dr. J. H. McLean's Sarsaparilla, at G. G. Gill's.