## St. Thomas Reporter.

FRIDAY, JUNE 25, 1880.

A PRUDENT LOVER.

The thrush in the thicket is singing, The lark is abroad on the lea, And over the garden gate swinging A maiden is waiting for me.

She will wait till she's weary, I'm thinking, Though eager I am for the tryst; She will wait till the bright stars are blinking, And sigh for the kisses she miss'd.

But her father is watchful and wary, A very ill-tempered old churl,
And I'm not the sort of canary
To be kicked for the love of a girl.

THE GUILELESS WITNESS.

'Do you know the prisoner well?' asked the attorney. 'Never knew him sick,' replied the witness.

'No levity,' said the lawyer sternly, Now, sir, did yeu ever see the prisoner at the bar? 'Took many a drink with him at the bar.'

'Answer my question, sir,' yelled the lawyer. 'How long have you known the prisoner?' 'From two feet up to five feet ten inches."

'Will the court make the-'

'I have, Jedge,' said the witness, anticipating the lawyer: 'I have answered the question. I knowed the prisoner when he was a boy two feet long and a man five feet ten--

'Your Honour-'

'Its a fac' Jedge; I'm under my oath,' persisted the witness.

The lawyer arose, placed both hands on the table in front of him, spread his legs apart, leaned his body over the table, and said: 'Will you tell the court [what you know about this case ?'

'That ain't his name,' replied the wit-

'What ain't his name!' 'Case.

'Who said it was ?'

'You did.' You wanted to know what I knew about this Case—his name's Smith. 'Your Honor!' howled the attorney plucking his beard out by the roots, 'will you make this man answer?'

'Witness,' said the judge, 'you must answer the questions put to you.'

'Land o' Goshen, Jedge, haint't I bin doin it? Let'em fire away. I'm ready.' 'Then said the lawyer, don't beat about the bush any more. You and this prisoner have been friends.

'Never,' promptly responded the wit-

'What! Wasn't you summoned here as a friend ?

No sir, I was summoned here as a Presbyterian. Nary one of us was ever Friends-he's an old line Baptist, without a drop of Quaker in 'him.'

'Stand down,' yelled the lawyer in dis-

'Hay ?'

'Stand down '

'Can't do it. I'll sit down or stand

'Sheriff, remove that man from the box.

Witness retires muttering, 'Well, if he ain't the thick-headedst coon I ever laid eyes on.'

HE COULD NOT REACH THE BRAKE.

There is an old story of a California stage-driver who dreamed of a journey down the mountain side under perilous conditions. In his dream he started from the top of the mountain, with a crack of his whip and a shout to his horses, and the stage rolled grandly along the gently declining road. Soon the descent became steeper, and the horses were dashing along on the full gallop, but the driver, confident of his power to check them when the necessity should come, still cracked his whip and urged them onward. The stage was now going at a fearful rate, and the passengers became affrighted; but the driver only grasped his lines more firmly, and pulled steadily upon them. At length he could no longer disregard the danger from the headlong speed at which he was driving, and he reached forward to place his foot upon the brake, when he found that it was beyond his reach! To loosen his hold upon the lines would be to give up all control over his frightened horses, and he made another and a more determined effort to reach the brake, but the break was still beyond his reach. Faster and faster went the stage down the steep road, and more and more frantic became the efforts of the driver to stop it; but the break was beyond his reach! Just below there was a sudden turn in the narrow road. Upon one side was the solid wall of the mountain height;

upon the other a fearful precipice. To

pass that at the speed at which he was

Once more the driver gathered all his energies together for one last frenzied effort to check the speed of the flying stage! but alas! it was of no use! He could not reach the brake! Who has not known men who were on the down grade of intemperance, and who could not reach the brake?-whose destinies were freight ed with the lives of near and dear friends whom they were bearing down to lives of misery and disgrace, but who could not reach the brake !- who saw wealth, honour, love, happiness, being left behind them in their flying descent, but who could not heach the break!-who saw before them the yawning abyes of eternal death for themselves and their children, but still they could not reach the break!

### IS THIS TRUE.

A woman will take the smallest drawer in the bureau for her own private use, and will store in it dainty fragments of ribbon and scraps of lace, foamy ruffles, velvet things for the neck, bundles of old loveletters, pieces of jewelry, handkerchiefs, fans, things that no man knows the names of, all sorts of fresh looking, bright little articles that you couldn't catalogue in a column, and at any time she can go to that drawer and pick up any one of them she wants without disturbing anything else. Whereas a man having the biggest, deepest, and widest drawer assigned to him will put into it a couple of socks, a collar-box, an old necktie, two handkerchiefs, a pipe and a pair of braces, and to save his life he can't shut that drawer without leaving more ends of things sticking out than there are things in it.

ALL SORTS.

Feed slow people on catch-up. Sweating for one's daily bread is a pore

way of getting it. The good mother and the accessible

slipper always make a spanking team. There is a tide in the affairs of men which, taken at the flood, carries them

over the dam -- and don't you forget it. It is a poor man who can't carry through life with him at least one remedy for the sore throats he may meet

on life's highway. The young man who wants to get up with the sun must not sit up too late with the daughter.

A wag got hold of an editors's whisky bottle and labelled it, 'To be continued in our necks.'

'Good morning, Patrick: you have got a now coat at last, but it seems to fit you rather too much.' 'Och, there's nothing surprising in that; sure I wasn't there when I was measured for it.'

Imagine the horror of an up-town mother, whose three-year old daughter addressed her with 'Mamma, my doll's played out and I don't want any more rag dollys, I want a meat baby.

Bilkington has passed away. Mrs. B., who has just read the notice of his death in the newspaper, said: 'What a pity John couldn't read this. He would be so pleased to see his name in print.

'Ah me,' said a pious old lady, 'our minister was a powerful preacher; for the short time he ministered the word of God among us he banged the in'ards out of five bibles.'

A man who offered for \$5 to put any one on the track of a paying investment seated an applicant between the rails of the Boston and Albany railroad.

The prediction has often been made by those opposed to Chinese immigration that so soon as the Mongolians invade the Eastern States in any considerable numbers they would be met with the same kind of hospitality on the part of the white working men that they have had to face on the Pacific Slope. These anticipations seem likely to be realized. There are now some three thousand Chinamen in New York and they have encountered bitter opposition from property holders as well as from the working people, and have had difficulty in finding shelter owing to the reluctance of to see a Chinese quarter build up in the metropolis. The anti-Chinese plack in the Republican platform is doubtless a concession to a well-defined popular demand, and the Democrats will probably follow suit. There is not likely to be muto opposition on the part of the Chinese Government to a modification of the existing treaty for the purpose of limiting the Chinese emigration if the Americans press the matter, as they prefer to have their people remain at home, The secretary of the Chinese Legation at Washington intimates that China does not encourage the exodus, and further states that the Chinese who come to America are from a single province near Hong Kong. Many are said to be returning to their native land owing to the agigoing, would be to court instant death.

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May 14, 1880.

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Jan. 1880.

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## TAKEN

From the Hutchinson House bar, on Saturday last, an umbrella. The person who took it, perhaps by mistake, will oblige by returning it where he got it.

W. A. HOUSE.

St. Thomas, June 11th, 1880

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OTHER MATTE

Throughout the length his Dominion there is no which display more punct ace than that wise. he telligent council, the coun This was examplified at t ing on Tuesday evening, being present. The maj d in fastastic costume cock having a corduroy buttons and yellow trimn in done the grand in oat with stovepipe hat with enormous brass co the size of a large turni had a snuff-colored smoo piece of lettuice for a bu while the graceful form was arrayed in an elega ed from Detective Stock sion, and flaming red w others were wonderousl Little's breast pin, and toor knob attracting spe he was enthusiastically dignified manner he er chamber, but not a smi lins at his reception. mportance of the occas the dulcet tones of the upon the night air.

Mayor Wiggins took empty beer barrel, an called to order. The clerk, A. P. W

forward with the pet which was from Neil Duncan, asking Lord high constable, and commander in chi forces at large. Mr. he was capable of atte required; he was not the boys, but would any of them; he wor every person who was town lockup, to see matches or other artic take their money fo

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