

A White Mountain Joke.

During the past summer a handsome young man and a mischievous young lady were among the guests at a White Mountain hotel. The young man was teased by his friends on account of his habit of lunching just before going to bed. One evening he found a large paper bag of crackers on his table. Rashly jumping to the conclusion that the mischievous young lady had made him the gift, he went on tiptoe to the door of her room, and tossed a cracker through the open transom. The room was dark, but the cracker's fall was followed by a slight scuffling. He paused a moment, then threw a second and a third. E ch time a rustling was heard, but no one spoke. Having tossed the entire contents of the bag into the room, the young man stole away; and as he left the corridor, met the young lady coming to her room. Troubled in his mind, he made inquiries next morning as to the effect of his bombardment, and learned to his horror that the first cracker had landed on the head of the young lady's grandmother, an infirm old lady of nearly eighty, who was at that moment kneeling by her bedside engaged in her devotions. Much alarmed, she had risen to her feet, only to receive a second shot. She had then retreated to a corner; but being further assailed, and not being able to form any idea of the nature and origin of the mysterious missiles, she had finally crept under the bed, where she was discovered in a forlorn condition by her astonished grandchild.

—Boston Advertiser.

Colonial Emblems.

In its description of the Lord Mayor's procession, a London daily says: The trophies which now followed in quick succession were generally admired. The first related to the Dominion of Canada, and displayed a stuffed beaver, several birds, sheaves of corn, a sturgeon, other products, and the shields and flags of the Provinces. Two men in boat were arrayed in the outfit of backwoodsmen. The colonies of Australia were typified by trophy number two, bearing a kangaroo, a eucalyptus (apparently taken by the people for an emu), a pelican, a turtle, bales of wool, plants, a miner's lamp. The two gentlemen who, by their attachment to the cinema, cut off this trophy and it has been, as stated, colonists, but their garb was certainly not that of either ordinary diggers or bushmen. Next came a representative of the empire of India, with "two native dignitaries in costume" (vide the programme), and close behind the car, upon which were arranged specimens of native game, tea chests, palm trees and the like, were tramped two Indian elephants, chained together and closely guarded and encouraged by their keepers. The animals were evidently not altogether at ease, but they were a source of great delight to the London children. Further on toward the rear was a car hung with carcasses of sheep publishing the frozen meat trade of New Zealand.

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