

Longing.

I'm a goin' back to the country; I'm sick o' this durned old town; It's a reg'lar flyin' Dutchman, a whirlin' aroun' and aroun'...

CAUSE AND EFFECT.

The More Dudes, the More Old Maids, Cats and Humble Bees. This is not so bad when you get through the preface. A professor at Ann Arbor, Mich., was discussing the process of fertilizing plants by means of insects carrying the pollen from one plant to another...

Sunday Reflections.

We're never too old to learn. The man who has to hoe his own row is foolish to befool the soil with wild oats. An average awkward squad makes a good display of a wheel within a wheel.

BY A MODERN HERETIC.

Snarker—Even the Bible doesn't deal out even-handed justice. Barker—You surprise me. Snarker—Well, just consider for a moment the opposite fates of Ananias and Jonah.

HARD ON THE ANGELS.

Binnick—Man was created a little lower than the angels. Cynic—Then angels can't be all they are cracked up to be.

A REMEDY.

Those honored by the truly good Are blessed in great degree, Though offered up as Fiji food Beside the far South Sea. So, when a dominie we had, Whose preaching wouldn't do, We honored him, and made him glad, With a charge at Timbuctoo.

A Noble Woman.

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A Poetic View.

"What did the poet mean when he called this country 'the land of the free and the home of the brave?' "He was probably referring to bachelors and married men," said old Mr. Smithers, sadly. The largest bog in Ireland is the bog of Allen, which stretches across the centre of the island east of the Shannon.

HISTORY OF THE BASTILLE.

Seizing of the Infamous Parisian Dungeon and the Reasons for It.

The building of the Bastille was begun in 1389, during the reign of Charles V. It was destroyed by an infuriated people July 14th, 1789—just 102 years ago to-day—a people infuriated by the misrule of profligate kings and a dissolute aristocracy, who seized and cast into a Bastille dungeon whom they pleased and on any pretext.

POINTS FROM PARIS.

Pithy Pickings From the Latest French Capital Letters.

Gold finds increased favor on ladies' hats and dresses. A pretty waist is made of bengaline trimmed with Chantilly lace. A nice baby mantle of pique has the skirt portion laid in hollow folds.

The Summer Girl's Diary.

9.30 a. m. Ate breakfast—wondered where the men were. 10.00. Went to see where the men were. 10.30. Found the men playing tennis—wished I were a man.

A Slight Misunderstanding.

It is almost an affliction to be deaf; anyhow, it is a little embarrassing at times. A certain city editor went out to report a party, the other evening, where the home was blessed with a new baby.

Appropos of Proposals.

Philadelphia Record: Maud—I wish Jack would hurry up and propose. Ethel—Why, do you wish to marry him? Maud—No. I want to get him off my hands.

A Vile Slander.

Two Texas ladies meet. Says number one: "Why, do you know what I heard about you?" "I've no idea." "I heard that when your husband was sick and not expected to live, you went to a picnic."

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DANIEL SHOULD KNOW.

The Silver-Tongued Orator Tells What Makes a Good Lawyer.

(Daniel Dougherty in the Collector.) Eminence and fortune at the bar are not found often united. The young lawyer whose aim is riches will not become eminent. He who aspires to fame will rarely make a large fortune.

GOLD ON THE ROOF.

Pretty Good Prices for Old Tin in the Vicinity of a Mint.

Three thousand dollars for an old tin roof would be a pretty steep price, says the Philadelphia Record, but the man who gets the battered roof from the old Tabernacle Church, at Broad street and South Penn square, which is now being torn away, for that sum will be in great luck.

The Boastful Pumpkin.

A pumpkin which was growing in the midst of a field of corn got the big head one day and began bragging itself up. "I am not only a fine vegetable to look at," observed the pumpkin with great complacency, "but I am nourishment for both man and beast."

From Duluth to Liverpool.

The whalebacker, Charles Westmore, the result of whose trip across the Atlantic was awaited with a good deal of anxiety in shipping and mercantile circles, has shown the confidence of her owners in her sea-going powers to have been well-founded, for she made the trip from Sydney to Liverpool in nine days.

In France four stretches of strategical railway have been opened recently.

They extend from Aurillac to Saint-Denis-les-Martel, Lons-le-Saulnier to Champagnols, d'Estrees-Saint-Denis to Saint-Jast-en-Chaussie, and d'Estrees-Saint-Dennis to Fraisy.

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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Germany will probably adopt the system of execution by electricity.

The Ports is preparing a new plan for the conversion of the Turkish debt. The French squadron was given a cordial reception at Cronstadt yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Chamberlain will visit the United States in the autumn.

John McLean & Co., wholesale milliners, of Montreal, have assigned. Liabilities, \$281,222.45. The Farmers' Alliance is said to be combining to corner the whole wheat crop of the United States.

The boiler of a steam thresher in Edmondson county, Ky., exploded, killing three men and fatally injuring five others.

The break in the Erie canal west of Schenectady, N. Y., will be repaired in about two weeks. The damage amounts to \$10,000. The Brush storage battery patents have been sustained by Judge Cox, of New York. This creates a monopoly in storage batteries.

The membership of the Order of the Garter, made vacant by the death of Earl Granville, has been conferred on the Earl of Cadogan.

The Queen has consented to the appointment of a royal commission to supervise the British exhibit at the coming World's Fair in Chicago. Recently two children died of typhoid fever in Kingston, and subsequently the well water they drank was analyzed and declared to be poisonous.

Information has been received from Allahabad that a party of 300 Russian explorers are engaged in extending the influence of Russia in the Pamir plateau.

It is reported that the Canadian Pacific Railway Company intends to place a line of freight and passenger steamers on the route between Duluth and Montreal. Tuberculosis has broken out among several herds of cattle near Hainesville, N. J. A number of cows have died of the disease, and ten cows, valued at \$800, have been killed.

With the exception of one point all the charges in the West Algona election trial have been dismissed. Judgment on the point in question has been reserved until September. George Anderson, a saloon-keeper in East St. Louis, yesterday shot and killed Daniel Ryan, another saloon-keeper, and then blew out his own brains. The reason is unknown.

The barque Syringa, from Philadelphia to Vigo, worth \$27,000, was burned yesterday. Its cargo consisted of petroleum, and the vessel was owned by A. Mills, of St. John, N. B. The crew escaped.

The Grand Jury yesterday found an indictment against Charles Hennessy, city editor of the New York Daily News, charging him with misdemeanor for publishing an account of the recent electrocutions at Sing Sing. The first vessel from Iceland since the winter has arrived at Gloucester, Mass. The winter was as severe as usual, but no great distress prevailed. Fishing is reported to have been a failure. On April 12th a Norwegian boat went ashore and all the crew were drowned.

Prof. Koch has resigned all the public offices held by him. This step is associated with supposed disappointment over the unsatisfactory results of his discovery of "tuberculin." The Academic Senate will bestow an honorary office upon him, permitting him to lecture whenever he chooses. Fresh trouble has arisen between the Pope and the Italian Government. The Government has closed several parish churches which, having had their sources of revenue confiscated, found themselves no longer able to provide for the expense of public worship. It is expected the Holy See will shortly publish a protest against this action.

About eleven last night a fire broke out at Delhi in the back end of the livery stable of L. A. Mehlenbacher and spread to the shoe shop and dwelling of Fred Schmidt, and thence to Morgan's brick dwelling and store. All were totally destroyed, and only by the strenuous efforts of the citizens were the adjoining buildings saved. There is no record of insurance.

Albert Pearson is being tried at Portage on a charge of dangerous insanity. He was employed on the farm of George Hunt, Poplar Point, and after some days' absence returned last night and threatened his employer. In the scuffle which followed Hunt shot Pearson in the back of the neck, making a serious wound. Pearson was an inmate of the Selkirk Asylum about three years ago.

Two murders, similar in character to those ascribed in London to "Jack-the-Ripper," have been committed in Marseilles within a week. A man giving an Italian name twice took rooms accompanied by a woman, and in each case the woman was afterward found murdered, having been strangled and then mutilated. A letter was sent to the police stating that these crimes were the beginning of a series.

Arthur H. Olmstead, a full-faced young man, was arraigned yesterday at the Toronto Police Court on the charge of having embezzled \$1,070 from the Grand Trunk Railway Company while he was their agent at Swansea. He pleaded guilty to the charge and was sentenced to a year in the Central Prison. The prisoner admitted that none of the money had been returned, and though he felt his position keenly he took his sentence calmly.

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Switzerland yearly receives about \$25,000,000 from foreign tourists.