GOSSIP.

Perhaps your work is of such a routine nature that you find it difficult to keep out of ruts and grooves; but by doing it the best you can, by reading and studying about better and newer ways, you can at least keep the mind out of ruts, and that is the main thing.

P. T. Barnum was fond of the following story told him by a Hartford physi-

"The other day," said the physician, "a circus came to town, and a baby was taken sick. I was called upon to prescribe for it, and suggested elephant's milk. Now, would you believe it, that baby gained 239 pounds in one week. 'Twas the elephant's baby.''

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Armed with the medicine and these instructions, Mike departed. Next day he was back at the doctor's office. "Well, how's the horse?" inquired the

veterinarian. "Better, I'll guarantee. Did you do as I told you? Shure, an' Oi did, sor; but the

harse is no better, an' Oi'm none too well mesilf sor. 'You're not well? What's the mat-

ter with you?'

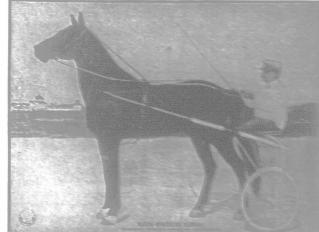
'Well, ye see, 'twuz this way, sor. Oi fixed the pa-a-per the way yez tould me, an' shtuck it betune the harse's teeth. Thin Oi put me mouth to the other ind to blow, sor."

"Yes; that was all right." "Och, but it wuzn't, sor."

"What was the trouble."

"The harse blew first, sor

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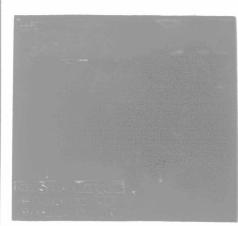
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