

Sawdust and Chips.

"Lenny," said a maiden aunt, "you should eat the barley that is in your soup, or you will never get a man." Lenny, looking up innocently, inquired, "Is that what you eat it for, ain't it?"

A lady teacher inquired of the members of a class of juveniles, if any of them could name the four seasons. Instantly the chubby hand of a five-year-old was raised, and promptly came the answer, "Pepper, salt, vinegar and mustard."

A western damsel has framed the verdict a jury gave in her favor in a suit for breach of promise of marriage, and has hung it conspicuously in her parlor as a frightful warning to all intruders.

A little girl was standing at the depot to see her father and a gentleman friend off, when she suddenly observed to her father, referring to his friend, who was tall and lank. "If the cars run off the track and any legs must be broken, I hope they'll be Mr. H's." "What's that for?" said the startled H. "Because," she said, artlessly, "Aunt May says you have a pair of spare legs."

Punctuation is a wonderful thing. A man telegraphed to Burlington for a school, "Shall I come, or is the place filled?" The answer properly was, "No 1 Place filled on the 17th." The telegraph operator received it, "No place filled on the 17th." He went for it, and was minus travelling expenses.

TALL.—There is a man living on the Walnut river, in Kansas, who says he is about to suffocate for want of air. The corn is growing so tall that it shuts off all the breeze. He wants to employ a good marksman to shoot the ears off the stalk; thinks it would be cheaper than to rig a scaffolding for gathering the corn.

STANDING FIRE.—George Washington was once at a dinner party, where his host had set him with his back to a fiery red-hot stove. Finding it too hot for comfort, after some squirming, he beat a retreat for a more comfortable position, at the same time explaining the reason. "Why," said the host, jocularly, "I thought an old general like you could stand fire better than that." "I never could stand fire in my rear," replied the general.

Two Irishmen, on a sultry night, took refuge under the bedclothes from a party of mosquitoes. At last one of them, gasping from heat, ventured to peep beyond the bulwarks, and espied a firefly which had strayed into the room. Arousing his companion with a punch, he said, "Fergus, Fergus, it's no use. Ye might as well come out. Here's one of the craythers sarching for us wid a lantern."

A young couple from the backwoods of Tennessee arrived at Nashville on their bridal tour, and, on calling for a room, were shown into the elevator, which they in their innocence took for a bed room. When the servant, who had gone for some matches, returned, he found them partially disrobed, and expressing their dissent at the closeness of the room and the scanty sleeping accommodation.

ORTRUOX.—A speaker at a juvenile picnic is said to have delivered an address of which the following is a sample:—"You ought to be very kind to your little sisters. I once knew a bad boy who struck his sister a blow over the eye. Although she didn't fade and die in the summer time, when the June roses were blooming, with sweet words of kindness on her pallid lips, she rose up and hit him over the head with the rolling-pin, so that he couldn't go to school for over a month on account of not being able to put on his hat."—Mark Twain.


Young men who will sit up late on Saturday nights playing cards, and go to church the next morning with a "full deck" in their pockets, should be careful about their being bestoved so as not to fall out. Bob Howe went to the Baptist meeting in Circleville, and took his seat with his sweetheart in the front pew in the gallery. He had occasion to use his handkerchief, and drawing it rather suddenly from his breast pocket, he drew out with it the entire "pack" of "Cohen's best linen," which flew all about below. The good minister "saw it," and knowing whereof he spoke, simply observed: "Young man your psalm book has been poorly bound."

BURKE AND THE CIVIL LIST.—When Burke made one of his famous attacks, in the British Parliament, upon the crown civil list, he was several times noisily interrupted by somebody, who, occupying an official position in the household, seemed to think himself the special guardian and champion of royalty. This officious person kept reminding the orator every now and then, with vehement interjections, of his duty to the king. At last Burke paused in the flow of his speech, and declared that he perfectly understood it to be his duty to honor the king, but he did not thereby feel himself constrained "to honor the king's man-servant, his maid-servant, and his ox, and"—fixing his eyes upon the obnoxious intruder—"his ass."

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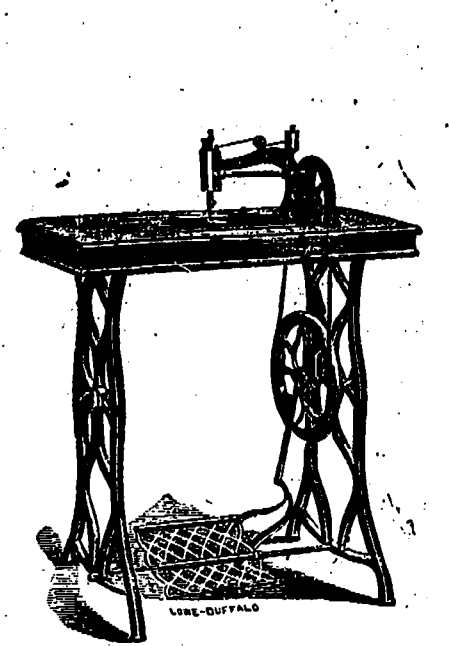
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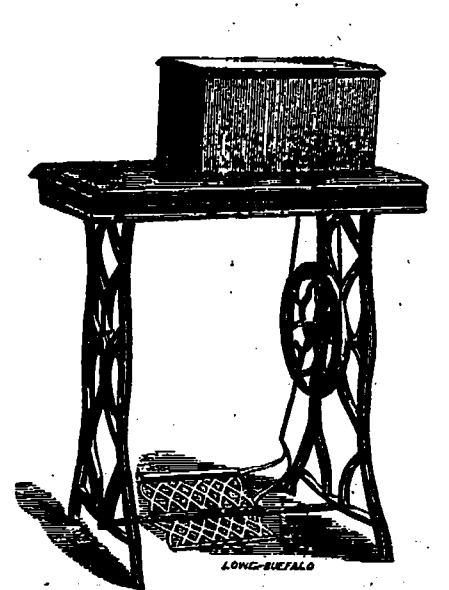
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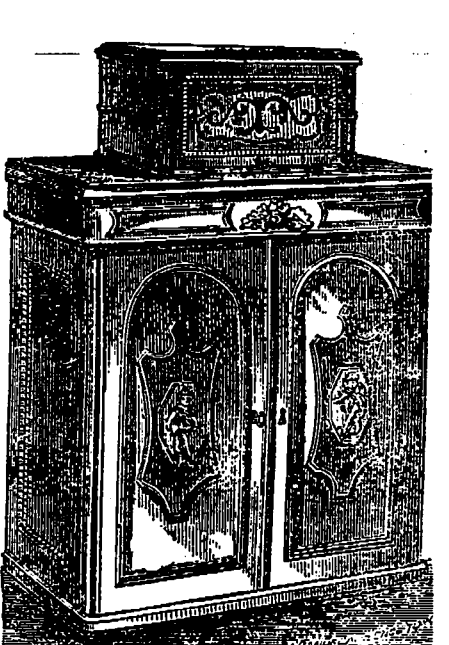
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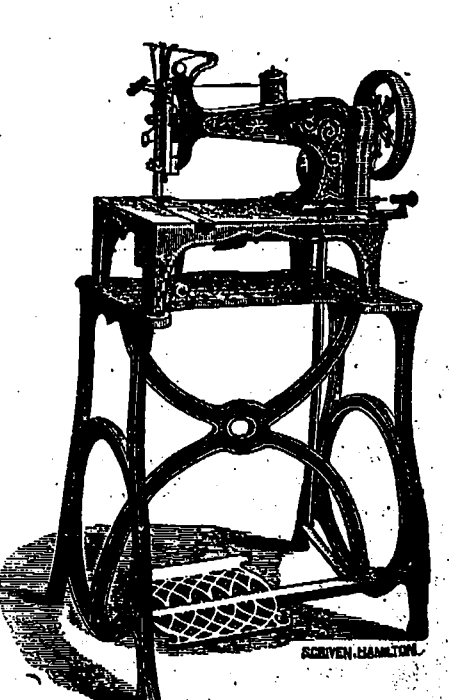
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