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It is related that one day Benjamin Franklin, who, as a boy, was very fond of using big words, told his father that he had swallowed some acephalus mol. luscus, which so alarmed the parent that he shricked for help. The mother came in with warm water, and forced half a gallon down Benjamin's throat with the garden pump, then held him upside down, the father saying, " If we don't get those things out of Benjamin he'll be poisoned aure." When Ben-jamin was allowed to get his breath ho explained that the articles referred to were oysters. His father was so indignant that he whipped him for an hour for frightening the family. Benjamin never afterwards used a word of two syllables when one would do.

An Episcopalian Horse.

A Virginia judge once visited a plantation where the darkey who met him at the gate asked him which barn he would have his horse put in. "Have you two barns?" inquired the judge. "Yes, sah," replied the durkey; "dar's the ole barn, and mas'r has jes build a new one." "Where do you usually put the horses of visitors who come to see your master!" "Well, sah, if dey's Methodis's or Baptis's we gen'rally puts 'em in de ole barn, but if doy's 'piscopal we puts 'em in de new one." "Well, Sam you can put my horse in the new barn. I'm a Baptist, but my horse is an Episcopalian."

Bishey Matz.

The latest report anent Bishop Matz's resignation is that it was prompted because of the financial difficulties of the diocese, which Monsignor Matz depaired of getting settled satisfactorily. The past year has unquestionably been a severe one for Colorado, many of whose chief onterprises were crippled by the repeal of the purchasing clauses of the Sherman silver bill. It is difficult to see, though, how any new bishop would stand a better, or even as good a chance of extricating the Denver diocese from its liabilities as Monsignor Matz; and it would not be surprising if Rome looked at the matter in the same light, and insisted on Dr. Matz remaining at his post and and doing the best he can under the circumstances.

The Pope's Industry.

The Holy Father is showing wonderful industry in the preparation of Pa-pal letters. The number of such documents that he has recently issued is remarkable; and he is said now to be at work on another, one to be addresed to the Catholics of this country, a second to the Anglican ministers, a third on the outcome of the conferences recently held in Rome for the recall of the separted eastern churches, and a fourth to show that the church has kept pace with and profited by the progress of the age. The preparations of these papers is all the more remarkable when one considers the advanced years of the venerable Pontiff who is writing them.

Father Healey's Suggestion.

Veryremarkable was Father Healey's rejoinder to the late Mr. Justice Keogh, who, although himself a Catholic, on more than one occasion denounced the Catholic clergy. "Father Healey," said Judge Keogh, "I do not know where to turn this vacation. I want some variety." "Why, then, Judge," said Father Healey, "the best thing you could do would be to turn Catholic and go to Church just for variety."-Westminister.

The doctors attending Lord Randolph Churchill have issued a bulletin saying that the patient is in a critical condition. The doctors say Lord Randolph is a victim of general paralysis.

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The Cairo correspondent of the Daily News reports that Nubar Pasha, the Egyptian Premier, is seriously ill, the result of breaking an aukle.

In the last number of the Chicago New World appears a biographical sketch of His Grace Archbishop Cleary of Kingston, by Wm. Ellison. The portrait is very well drawn but does no more than justice to the learning and valiant spirit of its subject.

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