

MISS EDMONIA LEWIS, the colored sculptress, is very happy in her Roman studio. In early life her name, given her by her mother, a native of the Chippewa tribe, was "Wild-fire." She roamed with the tribe for fifteen years.

CORNELIUS VANDERBILT recently presented the Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, with a large collection of drawings by the most eminent European masters. The collection is said to be the finest in America.

MR. BOEHM, A. R. A., has just finished the memorial of the Princess Alice, executed for the Queen. The statue, nearly life-size, is made of the finest white marble. The Princess is represented as lying on a couch, with one arm around her infant daughter, who died a short time before her.

BEACONSFIELD'S new novel, "Endymion," is circulating rapidly, 5,000 copies being sold within six hours after its issue. A second edition of 5,000 was immediately issued. It has been published in French and German, and will appear as "Feuilleton," in the Paris morning papers, and also in the *Cologne Gazette*.

THE oldest painting in the world is a Madonna and child, painted A. D. 886. The oldest in England is said to be a portrait of Chaucer, painted in panel in the early part of the fourteenth century.

AN old darkey was endeavoring to explain his unfortunate condition; "You see," remarked Sambo, "it was in dis way as far as I 'member. Fust my fadder died and den my mudder married agin, and den my mudder died and my father married agin, and somehow I dosen't seem to hab no parents, nor no home, nor nuffin."

"WELL, my son," said a Detroit father to his eight-year-old boy, one evening, "what have you done to-day that may be set down as a good deed?" "Gave a poor boy five cents," replied the hopeful. "Ah, ah, that was charity, and charity is always right. He was an orphan boy, was he?" "I didn't stop to ask," replied the boy, "I gave him the money for licking a boy who upset my dinner basket."

Clippings.

MRS. PARTINGTON said that her minister preached about the parody of the probable son.

QUERY: Why isn't a milkman like Pharaoh's daughter? Because he finds not a little profit in the water.

SUNDAY is the strongest day, because all the others are week days; yet, if it is the strongest, why is it so often broken?

DR. JOHNSON, being once asked whom he deemed the most miserable, replied: "The man who cannot entertain himself with a book on a rainy day."

CONTROVERSY and chemistry: "Why is absolute dogma, your reverence, like absolute alcohol?" "So please you, because it is utterly above proof."

"I didn't like our minister's sermon last Sunday," said a deacon who had slept all sermon time to a brother deacon. "Didn't like it, Brother A.? Why, I saw you nodding assent to every proposition of the parson."

COLLEGE PROFESSOR (*to Junior, who has been taking advantage of his absent-mindedness.*) "Young man, I find on looking over the records that this makes the fifth time in two years that you have been granted leave of absence to attend your grandmother's funeral."

HIRAM ARGUS says that "William Eaton, of Danville, recently killed a cat that was twenty-six years old." When a cat gets to be so old as that she can't dodge bricks and bootjacks coming at once from five different directions as she could in her earlier years. Hence this tragedy.

This is the way a Vassar girl tells a joke: "Oh, girls! I heard the best thing to-day; it was just too funny! I can't remember how it just came about, but one of the girls said to Professor Mitchell—Oh, dear, I can't remember how it just came about, but one of the girls said to Professor Mitchell—Oh, dear, I can't remember just *what* she said, but Professor Mitchell's answer was just too funny for anything. I forget just exactly what he said, but it was just too funny for anything."—*Ex.*