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GRIP'S CLIPS.

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In the spring the trees will start a branch business. Do you twig?

Boston may be the "Hub of the Universe,' but you will see by looking at a railroad map that the spokes are all off one side.-Hoosier.

"Papa," said a lad the other night, after attentively studying for some minutes an en-graving of a human skeleton, "how did this man manage to keep in his dinner?"

A bill to prohibit the sale of liquor within four miles of the Californian University is called by a San Francisco paper "An Act to Promote Pedestrianism among the Students."

A Frenchman said to an Englishman -- " Tare is von vord in your language I do not compre-hend, and all ze time I hear it. Tattletoo, Tattletoo! vat you means by tattletoo?" The Englishman insisted that no such word existed in English. While he was saying so, his servant came up to pul coals on the fire, when he said—"There, John, that'll do." The French-man jumped up, exclaiming—"Tare, tattletoo-you say him yourself, sare; vat means tattle-too?"

A pretty sharp young fellow visited a handme-down store on Main-street and dickered for an overcoat. "Have you one for \$8 ?" he asked the proprietor.

"I haf de fine goat for---" "Tell me yes or no, have you a coat for \$\$?" "I dells you dat I have de fine goat for \$12.1

"Confound you, can't you answer a straight question in a straight manner. Have you an overcoat for \$S?

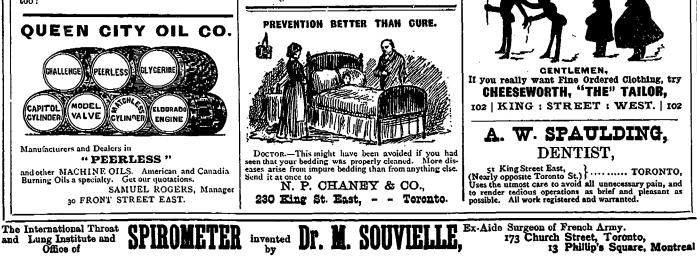
"Mein frend, you vas too fast. I cannot swer dat way. I haf the overgoat for \$12, I cannot answer dat way. I haf the overgoat for \$12, but if you no take him for \$12, I gif him you for \$10 und den for \$8."____

There was no deal. - Winnipeg Siftings.

When a lawyer tells you he will charge you a nominal fee, of course you will not be surprised at a nominal (phenominal) bill .-- Chicayo Sun.

A girl aged 14 has been arrested for gratifying an inordinate propensity to kindle fires, She ought to make a good wife, if she got up early enough. - Truth.

The landlord of a French hotel once announced that his country intended to avenge Waterloo. "That you do every day in your bills," said a facetious Englishman.



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What is a dude, my pretty maid? I've questioned the air and thus it said : "A dude is a weak and anomalous thing With very thin legs that it gaily doth swing As it ambles along in a Newmarket coat, With a seven-inch collar carcessing its throat. It stands on the corner attempting to mush The girls as it pulls at a feeble mustache. It says 'Aw, now, weaky,' and 'Chummy, I say,' And it tries to be English in every way. It smokes cigarettes and it wears pointed shoes, And it calls on the 'orner from ? oh, questioner mine, It just evoluted, my dear, from a swine."

"Are Jones and Brown on speaking terms yet?" asked one citizen of another a few days ago. "I guess they are?" said the other; "I heard them call each other liars this morning." -Newman Independent.

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