

POETRY.

THE OLD KITCHEN CLOCK.
It used to tick away the years upon the parlor shelf.
When first we went to keep 'em house—Be-
ginning an' m' self—
An' that for more'n twenty year, it seem'd
to be content
To serve the hours in proper time, an' be
an ornament.

SELECT STORY.

HER FIRST LOVE.

I won't read another word, said Kitty,
throwing down her book. "This author says
the most absurd things. He declares that girls seldom marry
their first loves, and that if they do they are usually sorry for it. Now for my part I believe that one's first love is
the only love, and that no one who is
parted from the first object of their affections
can ever know happiness again."

"Patience fell deeper and deeper in love with him as time went on, and when one day he asked her to be his wife she said that she would be only too happy to end her days, and that he might go to her father and ask his permission.
" At that the young man sighed and grew very grave.
" Your father would never permit you to marry a stranger," he said.
" But you can explain to him whom you are, and tell him what your family is, and he will no longer be a stranger," Patience said.

the branches overhead, some one cried 'Halt!'
" The reins were seized on either hand, the coachman dragged from his box and bound. A man advanced to the door and opened it.
" Your money and any valuables you may have about your persons, ladies, he said. 'We have no wish to harm you, but do not attempt to hide a jewel.'
" Deborah uttered a shriek.
" It is Captain Squier," she cried.
" At your service," he said. " Come, come, your purse."

EFFEL TOWER OUTDOPE.

The Indian Railway Proposed for the World's Fair at Chicago.
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A NERVOUS WOMAN.

"The nervous woman I have yet encountered was here this morning," confided a clerk in a State street shop to a Chicago reporter.
" She came here with a small parcel and the remark, 'I want this taken back, as I find I can't use it.'"

A DOG CATCHING EPISODE.

A black French poodle was trotting down Fifth avenue on a breezy, bright afternoon with a fine straight young woman. The dog seemed proud of his mistress and the girl was proud of her dog.

A REPROACH TO MEN.

Think for a moment what is implied in the single fact that in no part of the world is it deemed safe for a woman to go alone after dark, nor, in many localities, by day even. It is not enough to reply that women must have a trustworthy masculine escort because she is timid. Why should she be timid?

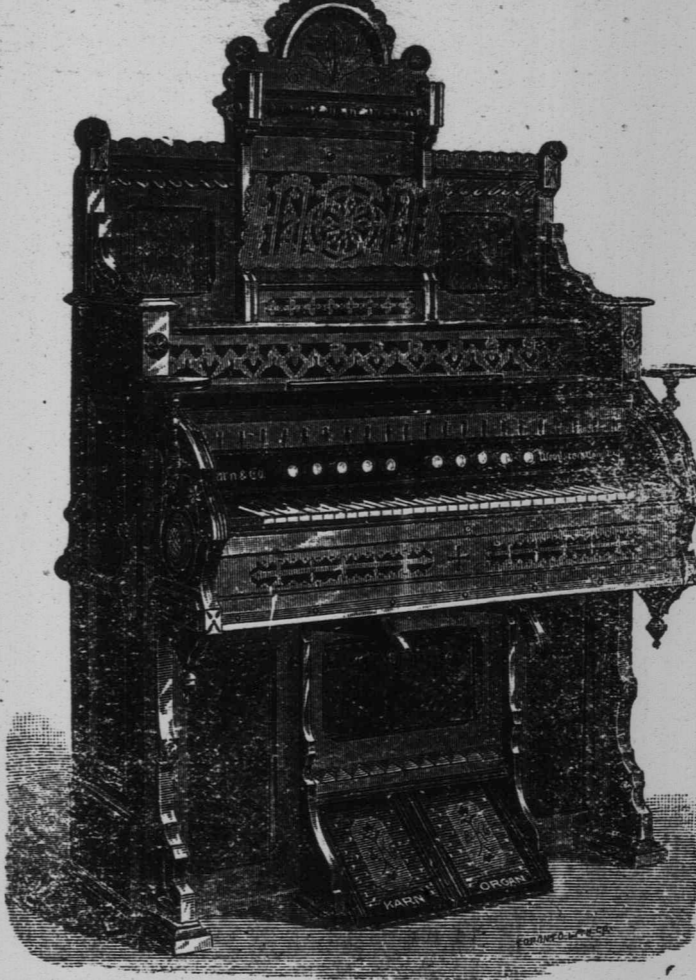
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AN INDIAN BRAVE'S JOKE.

Two young women were alone one day, when a young Indian brave whom they knew came to see the man of the house. The man was away, and the Indian sat down to wait for him. During this interval the girls, being of a lively turn, began asking him questions about his former mode of life; among other things they asked him to give a war-whoop and show them how he scalped people, but he gave no answer.

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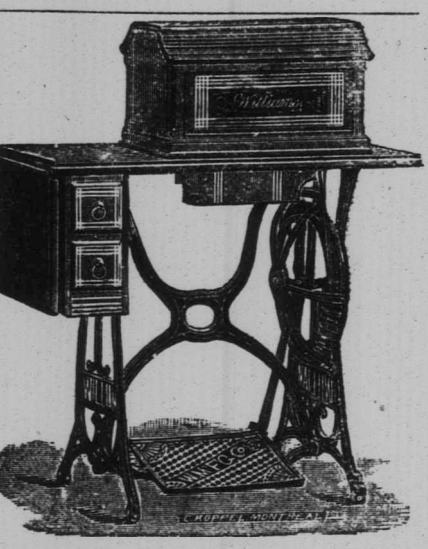
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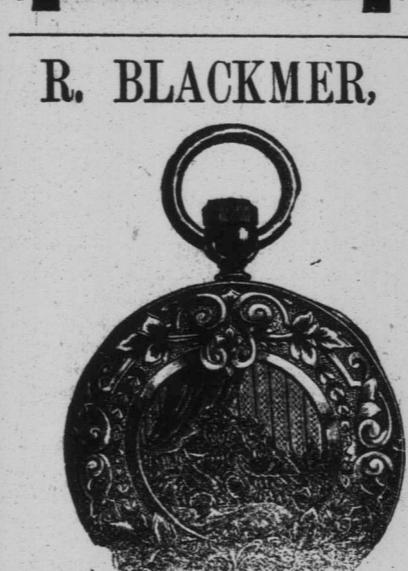


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