All Sorts.

The mule is of an even disposition; he always behaves according to his wont.

"Blessed are the peacemakers," said the small boy who dropped a costly porcelain ornament.

Herbert Spencer says that purely intellectual culture is not, as a general rule, a preventive of crime.

Two hunters at Circleville, Ohio, smoked over a powder keg, and an explosion blinded them for life.

A child without legs has just been born "Thank Heaven!" said the weeping father, "this will never be a champion pedestrian."

A man sometimes parts his name in the middle for euphony and beauty. Even Jacob has a good effect on a card, when placed as J. Cobb Smith.

Where Sarah Was.

Detroit Free Press.

A Wayne county farmer had some wheat stolen a few nights ago, and he was so sure that he knew who the thief was, that he came into Detroit and secured a warrant for a certain young man living near him. When the case came up for trial in Justice alley the defendant said he could prove an alibi. In order to do this he had brought in "his girl," a buxom lass of 22. She took the stand and swore that he sat up with her from 7 o'clock in the evening until broad daylight the next morning.

"People can very easily be mistaken," observed the plaintiff's lawyer.

"I don't care—I know he was there," she replied.

"What did you talk about?"

"Love!" she promptly answered.

"What time did the old folks go to bed?"

"I give'em the wink about 10."

"Sure he was there at midnight, are you?"

"Yes, sir."

"Why are you sure?"

She blushed, looked over to her lover and laughed, and getting a nod to go ahead, she said:

"Well, sir, just as the clock struck 12, the old man jumped out of bed, up stairs, and hollowed down, 'Sarah yer mar wants some o' that catnip tea.' And we got such a start that we broke the back off the rocking chair and went over backward kerplunck."

"Then the jury must understand that you were seated on Samuel's knee?"

"I object," put in Sarah's lawyer, and His Honor remembered the days of his youth and sustained the objection.

The Scribner Art Agency.

(From "Book Buyer's Guide,' Scribner, For March.)

Reference is here made to an editorial in the present number of Scribner's Monthly, under the head of "Topics of the Time," and entitled "The Purchase of Pictures—a Proposition.

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The excellence of the work of American sculptors has been long conceded in Europe, and is now so well understood at home, that we no longer think of going to foreign artists for statues to grace our capitals and parks.

It is a somewhat interesting fact in this connection, that the superiority of the work of our wood engravers was admitted abroad, whilst it was being questioned and doubted at home.

The London "Saturday Review" has recently said, "the impartial critic who is asked where the best wood-cuts are produced has, we fear, but one answer possible—neither in England, Germany nor France, but in America." For the proof of the truth of this "reluctant admission" he asks "a comparison of any recent number of Scribner's Monthly and the "Cornhill."

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NORTHERN STATES

California	12	Nevada	6
Colorada	6	New Hampshire	10
Connecticut	12	New Jersey	18
Illinois	42	New York	70
Indiana	30	Ohio	44
Iowa	22	Oregon	6
Kansas	10	Pennsylvania	58
Maine	14	Rhode Island	8
Massachusetts	26	Vermont	10
Michigan	22	Wisconsin	20
Minnesota	10		
Nebraska	6		462

SOUTHERN STATES.

Alabama	20	Maryland	16
Arkansas	12	North Carolina	20
Deleware	6	South Carolina	14
Florida	8	Tennessee	24
Georgia	22	Texas	16
Kentucky	24	Virginia	22
Louisiana	16	West Virginia	10
Mississippi	16		
Missouri	30		276

THE TERRITORIES.

Arizona	2	Wyoming	2
Dakota	2	Utah	2
Idaho	2	District of Columbia	2
Montana	2		
New Mexico	2		18
Washington	2	Total	756

Leaning Towers.

Chambers' Journal.

The most remarkable leaning tower in Great Britain is that of the Caerphilly Castle, Glamorganshire. Being but between seventy and eighty feet high, it is eleven feet out of perpendicular. The castle of which the tower forms a part was built about 1221, and the canting of the tower is said to have been caused by an explosion of hot liquid metal used by the occupants of the castle to pour on the heads of their enemies at a siege which took place in 1326. There are also leaning towers at Bridgenorth Castle, in Shropshire, and at Corfe Castle, in Dorsetshire, both caused by the use of gunpowder during the civil war between King Charles and his Parliament.

Of churches with crooked spires, the most noteworthy is the famous one at Chesterfield, in Derbyshire. It leans six feet toward the south, and four feet four inches toward the west, and its height is 230 feet. So peculiar is the distorted appearance of this steeple that it is said to appear to be falling toward the spectator from whatever point he approaches it. There are several traditions extant respecting this singular architectural deformity. One is that the builder, a native of Chesterfield, having agreed to erect a church, did so, finishing the tower without adding a spire. The authorities of the town, not being satisfied with the structure, appealed to the Attorney-General, who gave his opinion that the spire was as much a part of the church as the tower, and that consequently the builder must finish his contract by its addition. The subject was, however, fully discussed at a meeting of the Institute of British Architects in January, 1855, and it was ascertained that the oak planks on which the framework on which the spire rests, are much decayed on one side, which is sufficient to cause the divergence from the perpendicular.—The timbers also have the appearance of having been used in a green and unsound condition. The action of the sun upon the spire would therefore cause it to become crooked, and this may account for its distortion without attributing it to design.

It occurred to one of two editors in the West, who had quarrelled, that a reference to his adversary's life would prove telling, and he launched it off accordingly. "As for our contemporary," he wrote, "what can be expected from a man who, five years ago, was peddling around with a mule, and an ill-conditioned beast at that!" His rival did not deny it. "Our contemporary," he wrote in his next number, "says that five years ago we were peddling around with a mule, and an ill-conditioned beast at that. He is quite right. We were so occupied. But we are surprised to find that the mule has such a good memory."

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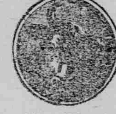

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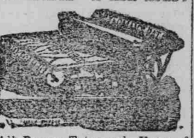

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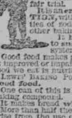

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