

**New Possibilities.**  
The number of eggs a hen may lay has been estimated by a German naturalist as follows: The ovary of a hen contains about 600 embryo eggs, of which not more than twenty are matured in the first year. The second year produces 120; the third, 135; the fourth, 114; and in the following four years the number decreases by twenty yearly. In the ninth year only ten eggs can be expected.

**The Baby King of Spain.**  
Stories of the eccentricities of the baby king of Spain continue to amuse Europe. The continent is laughing at his latest escapade, which came near involving his country in serious trouble. A newly appointed minister to Spain from an influential European country reached Madrid, and after a time was presented to the young potentate. The minister is bald-headed, but wears a long, flowing beard. "Oh, mother!" exclaimed Alfonso when he caught sight of the diplomat, "he's combed his hair the wrong way." The relations between Spain and the minister's country are somewhat strained at present, but a settlement of the misunderstanding is hoped for—New York World.

**Married Only Ten Minutes.**  
A bride and groom arrived at the depot in Union City, Conn., a few days ago, intending to start on a wedding tour. The train arrived as usual from Waterbury and took the side track to allow the train to pass. The bride boarded the train while the groom stood with gripsack in hand watching the up train. The down train started for Bridgeport and had proceeded several rods when the bride rushed to the brakeman at the rear and exclaimed: "Oh, stop the train; that's my husband and we've only been married about ten minutes." The brakeman looked up the track and saw a man running toward it, took pity on the bride, pulled the bell rope and stopped the train.

**Doves About the Wharves.**  
A stroll among the covered wharves on the East and North rivers discloses the particularly interesting fact that gentleness is an uppermost feature. Amid all the bustle and howling and swearing can be heard the soft cooing of doves. Some of the rafters of the wharves are nothing but veritable dove-cotes. Moreover, the doves do not seem to mind the roar and activity. Many of them are very tame, and will sit from the hand. They are frequently seen hopping in and out under iron hoops and whirling wheels. Nobody seems to know to whom they belong.—New York Sun.

**Distribution of Illiteracy.**  
Statistics collected in Germany show that in Roumania, Servia and Russia about 80 per cent of the inhabitants are unable to read and write; in Spain, 63 per cent; Italy, 48 per cent; Hungary, 43 per cent; Austria, 39 per cent; Ireland, 21 per cent; France and Belgium, 15 per cent; England, 13 per cent; Holland, 10 per cent; United States (white population), 8 per cent; Scotland, 7 per cent; Switzerland, 2.5 per cent, and in the whole German empire, 1 per cent; while in Sweden, Denmark, Bavaria, Baden and Wurttemberg, there is practically no one who cannot read and write.

**\$15,000 Worth of Luck.**  
Seneca (Kas.) Tribune, Oct. 18th.  
August Linse, a harness maker in the employ of Thomas Bennett, is in great luck. He came to this town three months ago without money and without friends. Now he is assured plenty of money and numerous friends. For the past two years he has been investing in the Louisiana State Lottery, when so fortunate as to have a dollar, and last Sunday it was learned lightning had struck Seneca, and on Monday Mr. Linse received a copy of the lucky numbers, the one-twentieth ticket he held corresponding with the one drawing the capital prize of \$300,000, making his proportion \$15,000—a comfortable little nest egg as a financial start in life. He has drawn on M. A. Dauphin through the First National Bank for the amount, but there is many a slip 'twixt cup and lip, and he does not feel so confident of its receipt as some other people do. Nevertheless he is cheerfully at work, and we predict him capable of caring for his fortune—if the ticket held by him, No. 46,755 draws the coveted prize. He is of good habits, and knows the value of a dollar—though he manifests a weakness for lotteries. Our advice to the boys with money burning their pockets is to invest, but to also remember there are 10,000 chances to one against you, and lightning seldom, if ever, strikes twice in the same place.

P. S.—Mr. Linse received his money this morning.  
A horse in Dakota has eight feet. He must be the "Lost Cord" we have heard sung about so much.  
The Marquis of Queensberry has great hopes of the pugilistic future of this country.  
Some men cannot stand prosperity; some never get the chance.  
John L. Sullivan has just celebrated his 30th birthday.  
Long John John Wentworth was worth \$6,000,000 when he died.  
Charles King, of Middletown, Mass., is 107 years old.  
Augustin Daily, New York, is worth \$200,000.  
A man 109 years old died in Maine lately.  
How should charity be represented? In relief.  
The "Maiden's Prayer" usually has something to do with a him.  
A new rap for ladies is called the Grover. It is only worn when they go out.  
"Tis the early boarder that catches the bash when it is warm.  
The immediate delivery system—your money or your life.  
The Chinaman is a realist. He takes his queue from nature.

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Gen. Don M. Dickinson is superstitious on the subject of white horses.

**TWO WITTY REPLIES.**

How Pettigrew, the Famous Lawyer, Got Even with a Judge.

I have heard, says the Washington correspondent of the Philadelphia Record, two good stories of Pettigrew, of South Carolina, the great lawyer and Unionist. He was practicing at one time before a judge who was a Presbyter of the straight sect and a very hard-working officer. It came to be Monday-Thursday and Pettigrew and the Episcopalians and Roman Catholics thought they would like an adjournment of court over Good Friday. Pettigrew was selected to make the motion. "Your honor," he said, "I desire to move that the court adjourn over to-morrow." "Why should the court adjourn over to-morrow when the docket is so crowded?" "Because," said Pettigrew, "to-morrow is Good Friday and some of us would like to go to church." "No," said the judge, decidedly, after a moment's thought, "the court will sit to-morrow as usual." "Very well, your honor," replied Pettigrew, adding as he turned away, "I know there is a precedent, for Pontius Pilate held court on the first Good Friday." The same judge was a great stickler for etiquette, and when one hot July day Pettigrew came into the court-room in a black coat and yellow nankeen trousers the judge took him sternly to task, asking him whether he did not know that the rules of that court required its counselors to appear in "black coat and trousers." "Well, your honor," said Pettigrew, innocently, "I submit that I am within the rule, for I have on a black coat and trousers." "But they're not black trousers, insisted the judge; 'black coat and trousers means that both shall be black." "Then," said Pettigrew, "I call your honor's attention to the fact that the sheriff of this court is in contempt of its rules, for they require him to attend upon its sessions in a cocked hat and sword, and while his hat seems to be cocked, his sword certainly is not." The judge said no more about the trousers.

**HERE AND THERE.**

The London Times advises all Europeans to leave Zanzibar.  
The past month has been the coldest October for eleven years.  
New Jersey turns out nearly 37,000,000 yards of ribbon a year.  
The illness of the King of Holland is regarded as very critical.  
Another bridge is to be built across the Mississippi at St. Louis.  
A woman at Worcester, Mass., recently gave birth to four girl twins.  
Baron Hirsch has donated \$2,500,000 for the education of Jews in Galicia.  
Foreign Jewish farmers have been ordered to quit Poland within a month.  
More than \$40,000,000 worth of American refined lard is exported every year.  
The coal mines of Washington Territory produced 825,000 tons of coal last year.  
A mill has been built at St. Simon's Island, Ga., to cut express timber for furniture.  
The New York grand jury urges a reduction in the number of saloons in that city.  
A number of negro colonists sailed from New York last week for the west coast of Africa.  
The cotton prospect in the Memphis district has been unfavorably affected by heavy rains.  
An oil expert says there is more oil under the soil of California than there is in Pennsylvania.  
The potato crop for this year is estimated at 216,000,000 bushels, the largest grown for several years.

**A Cooking Clock.**

The latest achievement in portable double action furniture is the cooking clock now on exhibition here.  
It is made of white wood, stained cherry and constructed after the style of the old-fashioned grandfather's clock. Here the resemblance ceases, however, for before one is through inspecting its multifarious surprises one wonders whether some bright little automaton will not spring out of a concealed drawer or secret receptacle and offer you a diamond ring and a thimble.

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