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THE ARIZONA KICKER.

A Few Strenuous Protests Culled by The Detroit Free Press. The last issue of The Arisona Kicker

The isst issue of The Arisona Kicker contains the following cheerful paragraphs:

Not a Success.—Last Saturday night soon after 11 o'clock some gentleman whose identity is unknown to us fired a charge of buckshot through the side window of our editorial room directly at the spot where our cot is usually placed. Had the cot been there we should have been inquested on and buried ore this. But the cot wasn't there. We are not party, but we are no hayseed. We not party, but we are no hayseed. We haven't slept twice in the same spot for the last twelve weeks. We have learned the ways of this community at considerable cost and trouble and we don't propose to plant ourselves as a midnight target.

We feel sorry for the gent who wasted his energies and ammunition. He doubtless went away from the window feeling that he was entitled to credit for doing a smart thing.

Come again, old chap.
CAN'T TELL YET.—The Boston Acme Opera company is billed for two nights next week at Carter's hall. This may be a first class combination, or it may be a snide show which our people should give the cold shoulder. No tickets have been left at this office up to date, and we shall not express our opinion in this

ERRATA. - We find we were in error last week in regard to the shooting affray be-tween the Hon. Bill Dakin and Col. Jones. We supposed at the time that Col. Jones was a regular subscriber to this paper, but a look through our list proves that we have never had his name at all. On the contrary, the Hon. Dakin has subscribed for five copies.
We were misinformed as to the following:

1. Dakin did not call Jones a liar.

2. Dakin did not draw his gun first.

3. Jones did not offer to apologize.

We were hasty in saying that Dakin ought to swing from a limb, and that he had long been a terror to the town. We found him to be a mild, courteous, genteel citizen, full of push and enterprise, and his presence is a credit to the town. Col. Jones had better travel for his health as soon as able, and in case he finds a town to suit him better he should buy it and settle there.

NOT THIS YEAR.—A correspondent who signs himself "P. D. Q." wants to know why The Kicker doesn't pitch into the board of aldermen for its corruption, and he adds that every mother's son of them could be sent to prison for a thief. We don't doubt this asser-tion in the least, but we are not saying anything. We have the city printing this year at

a good, fat price, and are not saying a word.

RETURNED.—Maj. Jim Smith created quite
a sensation by descending from the stage as
it reached town last Friday evening. We
had no sconer notified him that his subscription to The Kicker had expired than he
handed us two big silver deliars for a re-

The major has put in the past year in state prison, having been sent there by mistake, as his friends are convinced. He served his term like a man and has returned to the bo-som of his family and society. He has cards out for a "high coffee" day after to-morrow, and the elite will be there in legions.—De-troit Free Press.

Well Represented.

Young Man (applying for a situation)—I have had considerable experience as a commercial traveler, sir. Would you not like to

engage me to push your products!

Manufacturer—Your services will hardly be required. There are already about 7,000,000 men engaged in pushing our products in this country. We manufacture baby carriages.—Burlington Free Press.



Winkmore-Kick! Why, tiress yo' heart, Nathan wouldn't kick fer ter sabe he's Jes' put dem glubs on 'case he's a little er behine.

Mr. Hokus—Umpah. 'Spose he broke dat arm o' yourn waggin' be's tail.—Judge.

A Rather Strong Hand.

"Mistah Johnsing, I hyah dat yoh had a wery interestin' seshun ob de Straight Flush club de oddah ebening."

"Yes, sah; dere wur some excitin' times, shoh's yoh bohn."

"What were de 'casion ob de excitement?"
"Hit were disher way. Lemuel Skivins he done open de John pot wuf erbout fohty boues in hit. Dey was foh in de game. I come erlong waf my money and Gabe Sinkerson staid, and Jud Cumberland he done de erson staid, and Jud Cumberland he done de same. Lemuel he done stood pat, an' de res' of us drawed from one to three cyabda, as the imergencies happened to require. Lemuel het one chip, and Sinkerson followed him wuf a raise, and we all stayed in de game like men, ebry feller raisin' de bet as his turn cama. Finally Lemuel he done called Sinkerson, and we all showed down, and Lemuel took de not."

took de pot."
"What did you all hab?"
"Sinkerson had three kings an' a jack knife; I had a flush and a pah of brass knuck-les; Jud Cumberland had aces up an' a rahzor."

"But what did Lonnel hab?"
"He had a pah of foh's an' a revolver."—
ferchant Traveler.

Not Much.

Little Emily, 5 years old, is a great favorite in spite of her incorrigible freedom of expression. The other day she had been on a visit with her mother at a friend's, and had remained to dinner. At the table she had amused the family, with the possible exception of its elderly and serious head, by occasional remarks. As the meal was drawing to an end the hostess remarked:

"Emily, wouldn't you like to stay here all the time, and be our little girl?"

Emily looked up, pointed her finger at the head of the family and exclaimed, contemptuously:

"What! And have him for a father?"-

Nothing Privolous About film. Author (anxiously) - You pay by the space, do you, or by the—

Editor (promptly)—By space, of course.
It would bankrupt us to pay for your material by weight.—Exchange.

Instnuating Politeness

Dr. Alphonso-Precede me (waving his hand toward the supper table).
Guest (an undertaker)-Doctor, I follow you. - Detroit Free Press.

Guarding the Profession, Ambitious Sport—Could you take me and put me in training and make a prize fighter of me?

Great Pugilist-Ain't you able to work!

"Have yer got a neducation?"

"Yes, sir."
"Well, I'll see. If yer able to write sportin stuff about yourself and ain't strong enough to do hard work, guess we kin make a fighter of ye. We's kind o' careful, dough, not to let fellows inter de profesh what kin make a living by workin' Seef"-Toledo Blade.

At a Southern Winter Resort



"Because there is said to be a man in the

Busting a Coincidence.

noon,"-Life,

A woman yesterday stood at the writing desk in the corridor of the postoffice with a pen in her hand and a postal card before her. She was thinking deeply when a man ap-proached with a postal card in his hand, looked in vain for a pen and finally said: "Madam, are you going to use that pen for

the next five minutes!" "Yes, sir," she replied. "I am just going to write to my husband." "And I am just going to write to my wife. Curious coincidence, eh?"

"I don't know about that. My husband ran away, and I have just got his address and was wondering whether I should tell him to stay or ask him to come home."

"By George, madam, but how singular! My wife also skipped out and I was wondering what to say to her. We are in the same boat. Shall we write: 'Come home, darling,' or, 'I never want to see your face again?'
What a curious coincidence!"

"Yes, I think it is!" remarked a woman who came up behind him. "Trying to make a mash, are you! This is the way you hunt for work, is it! Come home with me or I'll pull all the hair out of your head and scratch

that woman's eyes out!" He went humbly along in tow, and a news-boy who sat on the window sill looked after the pair and soliloquized:

"That's what I call busting a coincidence and catching a liar at the same time. Better write for your darling to return by tele-graph, ma'am."-Detroit Free Press.

A Borrible Revelation.

She had advertised for the return of her dog, and it was a long haired Skye terrier-regular valuable thoroughbred. The reward was to be \$10. A stalwart Celt came timidly forward and asked if that was the dog. Being answered affirmatively and paid the reward, the affection of the lady, who kissed and hugged her poor, dear, little darling, at-tracted his attention and the following skir-

"Where did you find the darling?"
"Small comfort would it do you, madam did I tell you."
"But tell me while I caress the angel."

"I can't tell you because you would not "But, dear, darling Dandy-was Dandy

"Sure, madam, I don't know. I saw advertisement in the paper and recognized him tied to the end of a long shtick and a woman washin' off winders wid him."—Phil-adelphia Press.

Why We Celebrate This Month.

One of the bright young teachers in the model department of the normal school decided recently that she would interest her class in the history of the home of the free, etc., by devoting a portion of one hour to a discussion of the centennial celebration which is to occur in New York on the 30th of this month. As a starter she asked: "Now, who can tell me what it is that they are going to celebrate in New York on the 30th of this

There was a profound silence among the children, but at last one little fellow put up his hand in a hesitating sort of way and raid:

The youth was encouraged to unfold the unknown information to the class, and promptly said: "Why, it's just one hundred years ago that George Washington graduated, and they are going to celebrate it."—Albany Express.

Easily Explained.

Cross Examining Counsel — Now, Mr. Brown, you say this Louis C. Brown is a distant relative of yours!

Mr. Brown—Yea.

Cross Examining Counsel—What relation

Mr. Brown—My brother.
Cross Examining Counsel—But you just told us he was a distant relative. Mr. Brown—So he is. At present he is in China.—London Pick-Me-Up.

Ward McAllister—Who is this Anson that
the newspapers are yelling about! Where
does he come from!
Citizen—Have you never heard of Capt.
Anson, the leader of the great Chicago nine!
Ward McAllister (with lofty contempt)—
Nine, did you say! Only nine! What absurd folly to make a hero of such a man!—
Chicago Tribune.

Pigs in the Clover. Mrs. Briggs-You can's get 'em in the pen.

can you!

Mr. Briggs—No. The pesky little things. There they go again.
"Those pigs remind me of you, John."
"Why?"

"Because they'd rather run round every-where else than go boma "—Chicago Heraid.

At the Sunday School. "And now, children," said the superintendent, benignantly, "are there any questions you would like to ask before we leave this lesson"

"How long did it take you to get all the pigs in the pen the first time you tried?" inquired the sweet little girl on the front seat.

—Chicago Tribune.

Something That Wouldn't Make Much. Managing Editor-Did you prepare that article on "The Intellectual Attainment of

Reporter-Yes, sir Managing Editor-About how much space will it occupy! About six lines. - Burlington ODDS AND ENDS.

Pigskin is now used for gloves and chil-A Key West fisherman rubs his body with kerosene oil and swims among sharks in

Rest satisfied with doing well, and leave others to talk of you as they please. - Pythag-

A new theatre to cost nearly \$7,000,000 is to be built on the Champ de Mars, St. Petersburg.

A pretty definition of a baby: "A little sultan, whose tears are pearls, and whose cries are songs."

M. S. Good, of Roodhouse, lils., rejoices in the possession of a mustache that measures twenty-one inches from tip to tip.

Statistics collected in England show that a university education is an advantage for girls, even from a medical point of view. If you have built castles in the air your work need not be lost; that is where they should be. Now put the foundations under them.-Thoreau

It was told to Jekyll that one of his friends, a brewer, had been drowned in his own vat. "Ah," he exclaimed, "floating in his own watery bier."

Even Californians seem to tire of their per-petual sunshine. The Visalia Delta remarks: "Dwellers in the San Josquin valley would like to swap off a few square leagues of Italian sky for a little Oregon mist." The poor of the District of Columbia

profited \$26,000 by the inauguration of Gen. Harrison, as a check for that sum (the excess of receipts over expenses has been turned over for their benefit. A gentleman from the east, with eight sons with families and thirty-two grandchildren, has purchased 1,800 acres of land a few miles west of North Platte and will move the whole

outfit on it. - Omaha Bee. Installment dealers are aghast at a recent decision by a Louisville judge that in that

state title to any goods passes upon the pay-ment of the first installment, and that after that is made the purchaser may do what he pleases with the goods.

Two Scotch tramps, man and wife, make a good living off the baby. "We gets "im christened," explains the man, "in all the towns we passes, and then, you see, parson makes us all comfortable wi'summat to eat and money for beds. On days orful bad we has to do 'em twice." The features of Edison's exhibit at the Paris

exposition will be an enormous model of an incandescent lamp, forty feet high and made entirely of small incandescent lights, of which it will be necessary, it is said, to use 20,000. The French and American flags will be worked out in incandescent lamps on either side of the big lamp.

Greenfield is the residence of a splendid mechanic. Being at Jessup's Landing re-cently, in a snowy time, and wishing to go home, a distance of about five miles, he purchased two of the largest salt codfish he could find, and fastened them to his feet for snow shoes. He arrived in due time. -Saratoga Saratogian.

A new road sweeping machine has been tried on Holborn viaduct, London. It can be easily attached to any cart and worked by an inexperienced hand. Traveling at the rate of three miles an hour the machine sweeps through 1,200 square feet per minute of any road, and places the mud in the cart behind without noise or splash,

The car cleaners of the Grand Central depot, New York, found a large gripsack under a seat the other day, which is not an uncommon occurrence. Upon opening it they found a live boy baby who had made the trip from New Haven very comfortably, having been packed in cotton wool and having been packed in cotton wool and soothed if not sustained by paregoric.

The ladies of Texas are making a huge map, the state laid off. One county, Tom Green. is larger than the entire states of Massach setts and Connecticut combined. The name of each county will be worked with some beautiful product made in the county. The map will be exhibited in the Texas Spring Palace to be built at Fort Worth.

The Book Agent's Trick. The business of a book agent, though the butt for stinging sarcasm, requires as much knowledge of human nature and as much diplomacy as many occupations of more dig-nity and prestige. For instance, I stepped into the business office of a very prominent citizen the other day to introduce a set of a well known classic author. The old gentle man was very crusty and sour and snapped me off in quite an indignant manner, with the remark that "he didn't want any pesterous book agent to bother him." "Here, my good friend." I said, "I don't want to sell you these books: I am paid a salary to show them merely and advertise the company. I am a merely and advertise the company. I am a Frenchman and the company has employed twenty-five of us at a good salary per week to show these books, not sell them. The publishing company spend over \$500 per week this way, instead of spending it by ads in the newspapers." The old gentleman bit and soon became interested in the books. "Can you get me a set now!" he inquired. I replied that I had only one set in my trunk at the hotel, but I would sell it to him for cash. He bought the set, and that story, trick, prevarication or whatever you may call it accomplished the sale. There's nothing like "sizing up" people.—One of Them in Globe-Democrat.

A Magnate's Pleasures

It must be pleasant to be a railroad mag-nate without a conscience. Such an one, we are told, tried to make the run from New York to Boston in five and a half hours, that he might attend a club dinner in the latter city. All the regular express and accommo dation trains on the road were held back to give the right of way to the "special," and two men who did not move quickly enough were run down by the latter and killed on the instant. These fatalities were rather sad, of course, but the worst of it is that the railroad official did not make his time by thirty minutes. As he sat comfortably down to dinner one can fancy him worrying over the lost half hour, and perhaps thinking wrathfully about the two men that got in the way of his train, thus making it lose a minute or two!
Of course it must be pleasant to be a conscienceless railroad magnate, but there are
crumpled rose leaves in his bed, too.—Pittsburg Bulletin.

The Allurements of Office.

It has been said to be a serious question whether a man who leaves a good bus or even one which has any decent promise of becoming good—to enter the public service in nation, state or city is to be envied. To our mind there is no question at all about it.
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