

State Legislature.

The legislature has done little the past week, but introducing bills from forty to fifty being introduced each day...

The following are a few of the most important: By Smith of Holt--To prohibit the sale of school lands.

By Rhodes--To amend statutes of 1881 entitled "Charitable Mortgages."

By the committee on banks and currency--To establish a state banking board to define and designate state banks...

By Goss of Douglas--To regulate and protect primary elections of political parties...

By Goss of Douglas--To amend the code of civil procedure, four bills.

By Howe--To punish persons entering, starting, driving or owning horses in races for which entrance money is charged...

Senator Stevens offered a resolution which was adopted to the effect that as the United States has appropriated \$6,000,000 to make a deep water harbor on the Gulf of Mexico...

PEOPLE AND AFFAIRS.

Yesterday being Washington's birthday the Journal and News took a lay off.

Last Monday evening the thirteen year old son of D. H. Erb, took a dose of laudanum and came near passing over to the happy hunting ground...

It has been settled that Mrs. Cleveland is to have a private secretary. A widow who has travelled a great deal and is master of several languages besides English...

The Cosmopolitan offers fifteen hundred dollars in four prizes of one thousand dollars, three hundred dollars respectively, for the four water colors which shall be chosen by a committee from such drawings as may be submitted by the artists of the United States or Europe on or before twelve o'clock on the first day of December...

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Moulding in Clay.

There are two methods of preserving the productions wrought in clay, writes Maude Haywood in the March Ladies Home Journal; One is to have them cast in plaster and the other is to have them baked in the kiln, thus producing terra cotta. In order to insure the best results in the latter case, the clay must be free from impurities, and the work built upon a single support which can be easily removed when the model is fired.

PAYING SOCIAL OBLIGATIONS.

Practical Hints to "Homeless" People Who Have Desisted of Hospitality.

Hospitality is one of the chiefest of the virtues and every head of a household is supposed to understand perfectly what is meant by the word. The truly hospitable woman, whether she be a native or from foreign parts, opens her house freely to her friends, entertains them to the best of her ability and cares not whether she be repaid in kind or not.

But there is a vast homeless element among us especially in our cities and large towns. They live in tenement and boarding houses, and are always ready to accept invitations. Many of these unfortunate people--for everybody is unfortunate who has no home--possess limited means and can make only the simplest return for the favors which they receive.

At any first class hotel a beautiful luncheon or dinner party may be given from \$2 to \$3 a plate upward. A box may be taken for a musicale or any other entertainment of a high order, and refreshments at a good restaurant may be served either before or after it.

There are plenty of women as well as "homeless" men, who seem never to feel any burden of reciprocity for hospitalities received. To these almost the same means are open as to their brothers. Society allows a woman to rent a parlor at a hotel for an afternoon reception, if her home is in the suburbs where her friends cannot well come for a brief call, or if its limitations in the city are handicapping.

Emerson says somewhere something like this: "It is doubtful if it is possible for a gift to be taken or given without intention of adequate return and the integrity of giver and receiver remain unimpaired."

Hydropathic Treatment.

My reader, did you ever try what is called a "pack"? If not, let me tell you what it is like. When you have slowly undressed, you lie down on a small bed, and the attendant comes with hot mustard bags, which he places under you and over you and covers you up with blankets.

After a time the attendant comes and unpacks you and takes you off and dresses, or, I should say, washes, you down with warm soap and water. Then you are put into a kind of shower bath, which starts by being hot and gradually cools down.

Boarders Not Wanted. "No Valse Boarders Taken" is the way a placard reads in the hallway of a Jefferson street boarding house.

Papa's Bashfulness. One day we were dining at a restaurant noted for its excellent cookery and bad waiting. At the next table sat a middle aged gentleman and his little son, the latter endeavoring to assuage the pangs of hunger by devouring bread.

Musical Directions. The following good story is told of the secretary of a musical society: A gentleman rang his doorbell one evening recently and asked if a Mr. lived there.

General Butler's Traits.

By his enemies General Butler was called every villain under the sun except one. Even the bitterest among them gave him the credit of having an extraordinary quality of brains. Butler's head, like Daniel Webster's, increased with his years.

On the other hand, it is well known that these weights have been equaled by the brains of persons who never displayed any remarkable intellect. There was a musician in Cincinnati whose brain weighed 68.28 ounces.

A Dog That Recognizes a Tune.

All dogs, no more than all people, can distinguish one tune from another, but some dogs can, among them a fox terrier of birth, but it must be admitted of little breeding, called Tug.

This sensitiveness was not supposed to extend to the dog, but the other evening a belated member, coming home just after the door was closed and aware of the pain it would give the janitor, she deftly whistled "The Warrior Bold."

Elevator Courtesy. A few years ago every man in an elevator bared his head at the entrance of a woman.

Art in Burma. The workmen of Burmah, although they have little idea of composition, are wonderfully fertile designers of details.

The Fatal Trousers Stretcher. Of all the godsend that have been put upon the market in the shape of patents, the trousers stretcher has done the most for the number of "tights exclusively."

After Falling Off Forth Bridge. Sir Benjamin Baker, one of the engineers of the Forth bridge, notes as a curious fact that during the progress of the work several of the workmen fell from the bridge 150 or 160 feet into the water without being killed or even stunned.

Misleading Names. The Impeunious club is composed of men of means who are above impetuosity notwithstanding their occasional protest to the contrary, and the lavish feasts they indulge in at least once a year as a club pronounce them good liver, who do not mind the expense.

Uniforms on Horse Cars. The reason why policemen and firemen ride on street cars oftener in uniform than not is because when in uniform they don't have to pay fare, and when not in uniform they do.

CLEANING THE STREETS.

Ash Barrels, Which Spread and Odors That Come Not From Bats and Frogs.

New York has a street cleaning department that is not wholly a disgrace, though in some respects it sometimes comes mighty near it. The principal object seems to be in the direction of the better part of town--on the supposition, it is presumed, that the best people are the richest and do the most kicking.

The notorious spectacle of a row of garbage and ash barrels on the curbs of New York streets made this city the laughing stock of every other city in the country. Just about the time we had become fairly noted all over the world for our early barrels and telegraph poles along came a new order of things.

Even in the most fashionable parts of town the garbage is not removed until about 2 o'clock in the afternoon. As this is after the time when fashionable calls have begun, it is very aggravating.

But such trifling incidents are not to be mentioned in comparison with the discomforts and worse arising from the presence all day of these garbage cans in the basements of residences.

Words Used in Communication. A French peasant, whose sphere of thought is not very wide, gets along with 600 words, while a philosopher will use 20 times as many.

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