# FROMTE AND THE DENTIST.

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People are bring greatly diseased

on his motor car in the neighborhood made inquirtes about her. The viccouts of a dentiat in practice here, but this discovery had not the effect of cooling his ardor. On the contrary, he had pursued the bicycle and its fair rider with more zeal than ever, until one day he availed himself of an opportenity to enter into conversation, and was informed to his infinite delight that be might call. Day after day he paid a visit to the object of his admibor husband happened to be away from home. At last, however, he became so pressing in his attentions that the lady grew alarmed at her imprudence and promptly confided her adventure to the partner of her joys and the same kind as the mouse found a corrows, who, quite understanding the few years ago on the top of Mount maly placed herself, sat down to concoct a little scheme of revenge. The next time that the gentleman put in but failed to make connections in an appearance he was admitted as be- time. If he shall find the little beast fore, but he had scarcely begun to pay to be a new mountain climber a spethe usual compliments when her hus- cial examination will be made into band walked quietly into the drawing room and blandly asked whether the visitor had not come for a consultation. Fancying that he saw his way O. C. Yocum and Jonathan Humphrey, very neatly out of the scrape the vicomte replied that one of his teeth Monday, reported that they saw a pine was giving him a good deal of trouble and soon he was closeted with the dentist in the operating room. A giance into the mouth of the extemporized patient revealed the fact that there to be well fed and lively, though what was not the slightest cause for a tetea-tete of this kind, but a perfectly The climate and scenery will suffice sound molar having been pointed out to him as the offender the dentist, rising to the occasion, declared that It was beyond a cure. A moment later there was a sharp cry. "Well! that did not take long to do. My fee is 20 francs," the operator calmly said. Paying the money the vicomte bolted out of the house a sadder and a wiser man and soon afterward peals of merry laughter were ringing in the drawing room which he had entered with a triumphant air only a few minutes before. Such is the story and people are milling over it without searching very closely into its details.

**NEW YORK OPINION OF BOSTON** 

Tart Reply of a Gotham Newspaper to a Crittle.

From the New York Times: An amiable friend writes to us, lamenting what he mistakingly calls the "unkindness of certain remarks about Boston that have appeared in this column from time to time since the war with Spain began. His letter closes with

# THE AMERICAN.

# & OUR ON THE MOUNTAIN.

Summing of his Madous.

From the Morning Oregonian When by the story of a misafteenines which this tangentid of the recent Marana Is said to have befallen a gentleman "expedition to the summit of Mount DL The had been paying his addresses. Holens arrived at the top of the moun-With what entered will be presently this they moved some of the fragments. men, to a tody who had fascinated him. of rooks to get at the his containing by her brwitching appearance on a the record of mainfain elimbers who bicycle, cave a Parts correspondent of had reached the peak. This disturbed the London Tolegraph. He had not a minute that had his babitation in thead her in his frequent excursions that descint spat and to escape from the men who were taking such unauof this city and heing deeply smitten thorized libertins with his home he by her attractions had followed and left the two of three square yards of rocks and scampered out over the had ascertained that she was the wife | show that stretched an unbroken surinco away on all aldes. There he was easily caught and Charles H, Sholes. brought the thuid creature back to Portland with him. The mouse took kindly to his new environment and is alive and flourishing now, not having suffered any appreciable discomfort by the great change in the altitude of his abiding place. The top of the mountain is nearly 10.000 feet above the sea. ration, always selecting the moment | The rodent is described as rather large for a woodmouse, having very large cars and a very long tail, being the usual mouse color above and white underneath. He is active and silent, but watchful. He is believed to be of position in which she had thought- Hood. His description has been sent to Professor Merriam, who was to have been the biologist of the expedition, his case, and mouse may become famous and have his portrait in the learned books of science. T. H. Gardner, who made the ascent of Mount Hood squirrel on the top of the mountain, much to their astonishment. The squirrel is said to have been on the mountain about two weeks and seemed he finds to live on there is a mystery. for a large degree of satisfaction at that solemn height, but stomachs, even of mice and squirrels, are supposed to require something more than a charm-

#### WEDDING RINGS.

#### Even These Conventional Things Change with Fashion.

The most frivolous woman up to date is the one who followed assiduously all the fashions and fads to an extravagant and foolish extent. She so carried this habit to excess that it extended even to her wedding ring, was a broad, heavy, oval-topped ring, the fashions changed and a new width or shape came into favor, says the New York Herald. When it was first placed upon her finger the ring was a broad, heavy, over-topped ring, with rather sharp edges. That poor little circle has gore through the fire enough times to change it into a flat

# AN INFANT TERRIBLE. the Made a Man Minch and the titrle Vilga to.

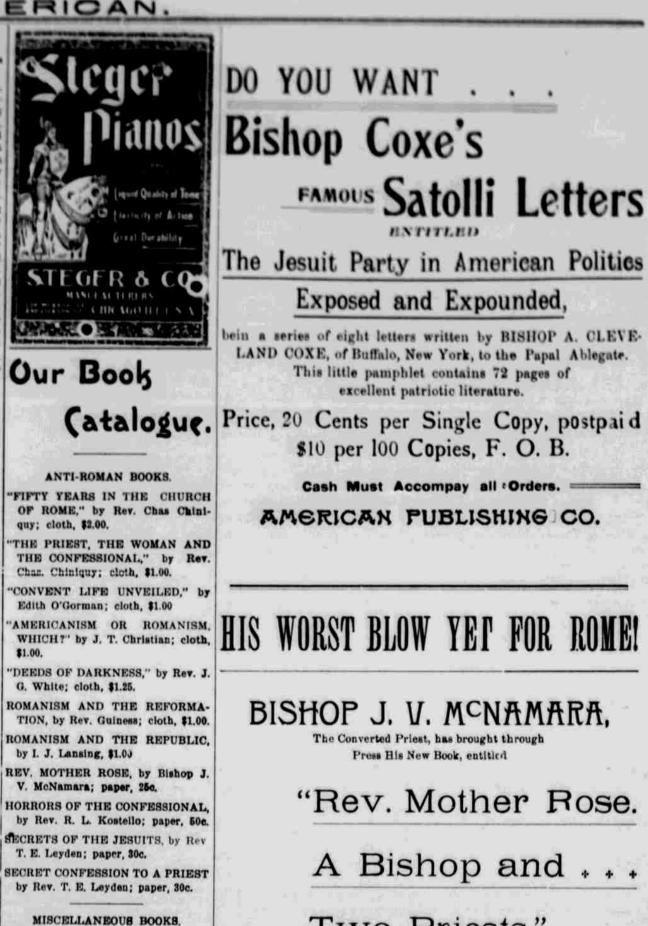
"Literal children, or, more preparty, children who take your chiding literally, are holy torrors," relates a pround man noted for his politenose to fadeo. rearding to the Washington Silar, 4 was in a herdic the other day, which was much arowded, though no one was standing at the time. Presently a lady and gentleman got in and I gave my sent to the lady, leaving the old gentheman standing. Immediately a young lady sitting in one end of the herdl? called to her little minter, a child of 6. perhaps, who was sitting near the door at the other and, to come to her and, give her seat to the elderly gentleman. The ohlid came willingly enough, and while the sister was reading her a lesson in manners a passenger got out and I took the seat. 'Never let me see you remain seated again when people older than you are standing.' closed the lecture, and the child was crowded, half sitting, half standing, between the older sister and the lady next to her. Two minutes later a pretty girl got in, and, of course, as the only gentleman in the herdic, I gave her my seat. No sooner had I done so, than that small terror was on her feet.

"'Oh, mister,' she said in sweet, shrill accents, 'you take my seat; you's older than me.' And everybody laughed, of course. Trust a lot of giggling girls for that, for the only place on earth that I could have 'taken a seat' was on the sister's lap, from which the child had slid. I didn't take the seat, but I did take to the street and walked five blocks in a drizzling rain to get away from the giggle of those girls."

#### THE FROZEN BREEZE.

A Strange Phenomenon Observed by Lover of Nature.

Did you ever see a frozen breeze? You might have seen one if you had gone with me into the country on a recent winter morning. This was the way it came to be frozen. All night long the air had been laden with mist. Over the fields, in the hollows, all through the woods, even on top of the ROMANISM AND THE REPUBLIC. hills, the fog hung heavily. All that time the wind blew steadily, but not flercely, from some northern quarter. REV. MOTHER ROSE, by Bishop J. At nightfall the mercury fell below the freezing point, so that this mist, as it drifted through the trees, was frozen upon their branches and twigs. The eims, the oaks, and the other SECRETS OF THE JESUITS, by Rev leafless trees took their ice-coating quite evenly; but the thick, impenetrable masses of the needles of the pine trees were covered noticeably only upon the sides toward the north or northwest, from which the wind came. The strong, steady breeze bent the branches to leeward, while it was icing them; PEOPLES' ATLAS OF THE WORLD. and when the wind went down in the morning they all remained just there, leaning to the southward, leed and frozen to immovability, but looking just as if the wind were still steadily IF CHRIST CAME TO CONGRESS. blowing. Even in the afternoon, when the rain began to fall, and the wind came from quite another quarter, that north wind of the night before still remained white and frozen over the ring with square edges, into a per- piny woods-the pale, rigid corpse of fectly round wire, into a half wire, a thing once keenly alive.-The Listen-



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the words; "Boston is the Athens of America; you can't deny that." Perhaps we don't want to. Let's see. Athens, like Boston, is a city with a great and glorious-past. Athens, like Boston, more or less has produced sailors of dauntless courage, philosoable to found nations in deserts, poets, oculptors, pai ters, architects, with whom rivairy scems almost hopeless. The world famed Athenians, like the world famed Bostonians, are all dead, and report hath it that in each of these towns the ghosts regard the living population with a consternation verging on despair, and give it lots of room on the sidewalk. Considering all this we are willing to admit our amiable friend's contention, if he really wants us to do so, and even to put his assertion in the most explicit form. Hoston was to America what Athens was to Greece; Boston is to America what Athens is to Greece. Now, is he content, or does he realize that his plea was decidedly more "unkind" than our criticisms?

# NEVER CLOSE THEIR EYES.

#### Snakes Always Keep These Organs. Open in Sleep or in Death.

From the Saturday Post: One of the most curious facts with regard to anakes is that their eyes are never closed. Sleeping or waking, alive or dead, they are always wide open. This is because there are no eyelids. The eye is protected only by a strong scale, which forms a part of the epidermal envelope, and is cast off in a piece with that every time the reptile moults. This eye-plate is as clear and or in pursuit of prey, the reptile so often hurriedly glides, as any close observer of the habits of the snake can readily discover.

Can't Tell Them Anything.

Biggs-"I can always tell a man that has been employed as a hotel clerk." Diggs-"My experience has been very much to the contrary." Biggs -"Indeed!" Diggs-"Yes; I can never tell them anything. They think they know it all."-New Orleans Times-Democrat.

Tollet Cut Glass.

Cut glass ornaments for ladies' tollet tables of various tints and set in pierced silver or gold are offered in numerous exquisite designs.

into a flat top band with round edges, and even to eliminate its identity entirely as a wedding ring, and it is now no more her original wedding ring than any other ring which she wears. But she still calls it her wedding ring, many illustrious sons-soldiers and and her wedding ring is always in the latest fashion, Whether phers with mighty minds, statesmen she wishes to appear a bride, or whether she imagines that it will help her to appear younger than she really is, is a mystery. She herself is scandalized at the very idea that any one will insist upon wearing an old-fashioned wedding ring and expresses great disgust with any woman who allows herself to be out of fashion in this matter. Quite a discussion took place on the Hudson river boat the other day between her and another woman who had romantic ideas concerning her ring and had never allowed it to be removed from her finger since it was placed there by her husband during the marriage ceremony, considering it a sacred emblem, too precious to be removed even for a moment. The frivolous woman, however, is not utterly devoid of the proper sentiment about this important ring, or she would put it away in her jewel casket and buy a new wedding ring with each new style. It would cost less money than to have the old one done over.

#### UNDERSELL HOME PRODUCERS

#### American Bids on Glasgow Contracts Lower Than British Offers.

From the Pall Mall Gazette:-Some weeks ago the Glasgow corporation invited tenders for the supply of 1,000 tons of cast-iron pipes. The two lowest offers came from the United States, transparent as ginas, and allows the but as the castings were wanted in most perfect vision, while at the same nine-feet lengths and those specified by time it is so hard and tough as to the Americans were twelve feet long. perfectly protect the delicate organ revised estimates were asked for and within from the thorns and twigs the amounts of the several quotations among which, in flight from enemies | made known. The amended offers were opened yesterday and an American firm again asks less than any of the others. As there are over 200 iron founders in Glasgow and most of them deal in pipes the committee in charge of the contract decided to leave the matter over for further consideration.

#### Frankness,

Kind-"If I give you this penny what will you do with it?" Tatters (sarcastically)-"I'll be honest with you, guv'ner. I'll spend it in riotous living."-Modern Society.

# She Got Them.

He (who has just been accepted)-"What is more delightful than a kiss ?" She (blushingly and in a whisper)-"Two."-Tit-Bits.

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### Iron Visiting Cards.

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See is particularly accomplished? He

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cabs, it has been found that, owing to

the reduced shock to the vehicles, the

cost of repairs has been lessened 50 per

cent, to say nothing of the saving to

the nerves of passengers and others

city is a distinct gain to the comfort

and health of the inhabitants.

er in the Country.

Times.

Among the curious uses to which iron has been placed is that of visiting card. Many great iron manufacturers have had the metal rolled in sheets so thin that it has been successfully employed for this social use. It is interesting to know that the cards of Count Renard are one one-thousandth part of an inch thick, those of Baron Krupp one-eight hundred and twentieth part of an inch, and Count Harrach's one-six hundred and fortieth part of an inch.

No Dust for Ilim.

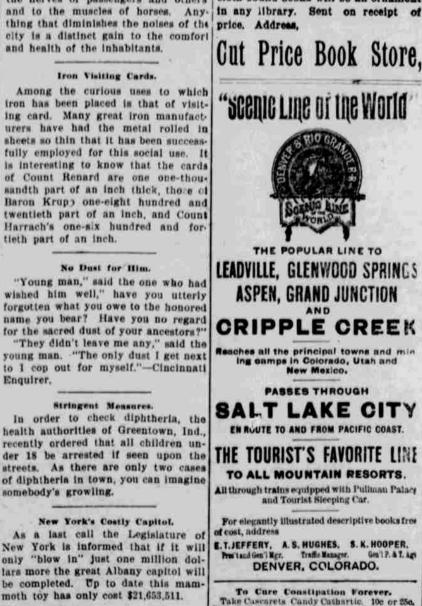
"Young man," said the one who had wished him well," have you utterly forgotten what you owe to the honored name you bear? Have you no regard for the sacred dust of your ancestors?" "They didn't leave me any," said the young man. "The only dust I get next to I cop out for myself."-Cincinnati Enquirer.

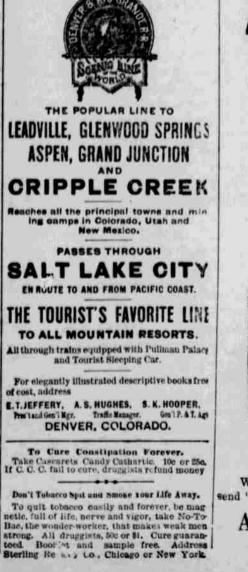
Stringent Measures. In order to check diphtheria, the health authorities of Greentown, Ind., recently ordered that all children under 18 be arrested if seen upon the streets. As there are only two cases of diphtheria in town, you can imagine somebody's growling.

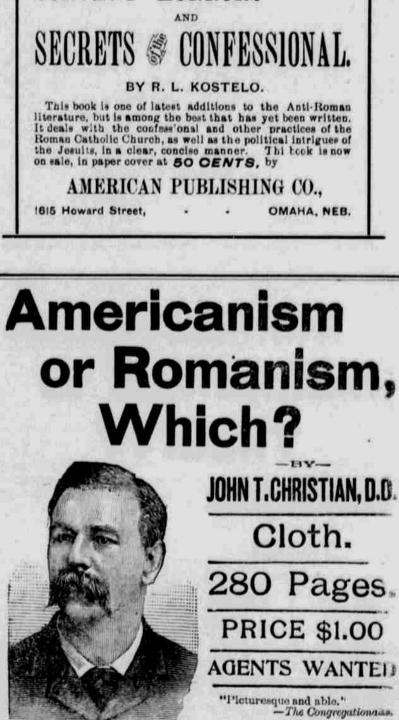
# New York's Costly Capitol. As a last call the Legislature of only "blow in" just one million dollars more the great Albany capitol will be completed. Up to date this mammoth toy has only cost \$21,653,511.

#### Scarlet Hued Stationery.

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