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Inter Ocean.

The day was warm, the wind died down, and the track was "fast as a ghost," the oldest turf-men said, when the bell rang to finish the pacing race begun the day before. They got the word at the third attempt, and went away, with Tom and Mattie Hunter a trifle in the lead, Rowdy Boy trailing. At the turn Tom was a length ahead, followed by Mattie Rowdy Boy, and Lucy in order. Going up the back stretch Lucy put on more speed, and at the half passed Rowdy Boy. Tom was now three lengths ahead, but the rest were coming up into a bunch. Rowdy Boy, however broke before reaching the turn, and was left by Lucy, who made a gallent effort to close the gap. At the head of the home stretch Mattie went after Tom in dead earnest. Tom heard her, and paced for all that was in him. Half-way to the distance Mattie's nose was at, his wheel. "Go Tom," cried his driver, and Tom went. Another stride and Mattie lapped the blind gelding's wheel. Another instant, and the brave mare was stretching her white nose alongside his girth. Another throb of the heart measured the time of another leap, and still the gallent mare clung to the leader. Under the wire they went like a flash of lightning, Mattie a neck behind, and the roar of a hurricane rose from the crowd. A noted horseman had held a watch, and when the man next to him asked the time, he looked at him and put his timer in his pocket without a word. Mr. Smith, the judge, announced "the fastest heat in the world: 2:12½." The man took out his watch again, looked at it in amazement, and turning to the gentleman who had asked him, said "that is right."

It was the fastest heat ever made before a sulky, and Tom's great record of 14½ was cut down by himself—below where any one had ever dreamed of seeing it. Mattie Hunter's time was 1:13, as announced by the judges, the fastest ever made by a beaten horse.

The first quarter was made in 33 seconds, the second in 32, the third in 34, and the last in 33½. Lucy finished third four lengths back, and Rowdy Boy last. This was glory enough for one day.

MATTIE HUNTER'S TIME.

The attention of the judges is respectfully called to one point—that is, Mattie Hunter's time. There is not a shadow of doubt but that Blind Tom made the mile in 2:12½. Hundreds of watches can testify to the fact. Now, Mattie Hunter was variously placed as from a neck to a half a length behind him. The majority put it at about ten feet. By a simple calculation it may be determined that a 2:12½ gait equals 39.924 feet to the second, and if Mattie was three-quarters of a second later coming under the wire, she must have been 29.943, or in round numbers, thirty feet to the rear. Any one who saw the race knows that no such gap was between them. The judges were, no doubt, so dazed by the phenomenal flyers' grand rush that they forgot all about taking the time of the second horse, and then made a wild guess at it, not calculating that the discrepancy would be noticed. There is no doubt that Mattie's true time was 2:12½, as near as it could be measured, instead of 2:13.

A Warning to Cider Drinkers.

The Springfield *Republican* says:

'A curious case that has just come to light at Northbridge, Mass., of the death of two persons and the expected death of two others, all in one family, from the effects of cider drinking will re-enforce the arguments of those who condemn the practice. As nearly as can be made out, the father, aged sixty, mother, fifty-six, and two sons, thirty-five and thirty-one, have drunk since last fall between forty and fifty barrels of cider. The mother was taken with fits six week ago yesterday and died the next Thursday. The youngest son was taken with fits three weeks ago, and died on Thursday, and last Thursday the oldest son was taken with fits like the others, and Friday night his physicians gave him up. The father is also in a very bad condition, 'sees snakes' nearly every night, and frequently gets up in the night and runs about the house crying 'Fire' at the top of his voice, doubtless suffering from *delirium tremens*. All parties suffered greatly. No cause but the cider-drinking can be found.'

This remarkable case furnishes another striking illustration of the fact that alcohol, whether in the milder or stronger beverages, is perilous in proportion to the quantity consumed. In this instance the quantity of cider drank is enormous, and the results are as deadly and destructive as from whisk or brandy drinking.

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

A Triple Elopement.

In the wilds of Crittenden County, Ark. there lives an old man named Rosebury. His sons, Robert and John, are of the same age, 27 years being twins. Mrs. Rosebury, the mother, died long years ago. The nearest human habitation was a house occupied by a Mrs. Glenn and two daughters, though, pity to say, the daughters were not twins at the time of their birth, and have not yet succeeded in attaining that point. Mr. Rosebury fell deeply in love with Mrs. Glenn, and the two sons, Robert and John fell equally in love with the two daughters, Mary and Rachel. The most imaginable wholesale love-making ensued. The old man and widow seemed devoted to each other, and the young people were sufficiently so to marry, which they all did on the same day. After the ceremony the six happy souls and the six happy bodies repaired to the residence of the husbands. Everything worked smoothly. The old man was very kind to his newly-made daughters, particularly so to Rachel, the wife of his son John. The kindness increased and other matrimonialist marveled, one to another. The old man even disregarded the wishes of his wife, and Rachel snuffed her Grecian nose at her Roman-nosed husband. One morning about two weeks after the marriage and one week ago, the family discovered that the old man and Rachel had gone. Searching and not being able to find them, but learning from a ferryman that they had crossed the river into Tennessee, the family returned. Pretty soon an intimacy sprang up between Robert, Mary's husband, and the old lady. The old lady was so wise, and had such broad experience that Robert never grew tired of profiting by her counsel. Another disaster. Robert and the old lady ran away, leaving John and Mary, who seeing, as they were not blind, that they were left alone, clasped themselves in loving embrace, for it seems that they had loved each other from the first. Did they stay on the farm? No, sir. There is a mortgage on it. They packed up and, according to the ferryman went over into Tennessee.

They have got a 'Pioneer Grant Club' in New Orleans, and have begun the campaign in a very spirited manner. The club has issued an address "To the voters and especially the ex-Confederate soldiers of Louisiana," in which the latter are called upon to rally for Grant as the "manliest leader of all." The following incident is related in the address:

General Robert E. Lee discovered, fourteen years ago, what should at once admonish us. On the 4th of April, 1865, five days before the surrender, he lost the advantages of his forced march to Amelia Court House, where he had ordered rations for his famished men to await him, by rail; but where he found, to his dismay, that the unladen train had, two days before, been ordered to Richmond by the authorities there to carry off the Democratic politicians. Their safety may have been of greater moment than the subsistence of Lee's scarred and exhausted heroes. Five days later, after the terms of surrender had been signed, Lee remarked that he recalled too late the fact that many of the cavalry and artillery horses belonged to his men, whereupon General Grant replied: "I will instruct my paroling officers that all enlisted men of your cavalry and artillery who own horses are to retain them, just as the officers do theirs. They will need them for their spring plowing and other farm work." What was Lee's reply: "General," said he, with all the earnestness of a proud, warm, and unselfish heart, "there is nothing that you could have done to accomplish more good either for them or the government."

The address closes as follows;

However much Democratic complaint was made concerning Federal interposition during his administration as President, he executed the laws as he found them: and while we desire and shall pronounce for any modification that may withhold such interposition in strict accordance with the measure of competence in a State government to maintain itself, we likewise declare that if the South must be a part of the nation, in order to receive succor in measures of internal improvement from that nation, she is no less such a part of the nation that sectionalism cannot convert the map lines of States within that part into walls, to oppose the true political progress of the war-settled American principle.

We want a better peace—one that calms the judgment as well as stays violent hands. We believe that General Grant will be elected, and that in 1885 the South will say to him for her sons, as said the heroic Lee:

"General there is nothing that you could have done to accomplish more good either for them or the government."

Last spring the Democrats of Kingston, N. Y., carried their bull-dozing practices to extremes. A mob took possession of the polls and prevented Republicans from voting. Several of the mob were arrested, and among them was William Ryan, who assaulted and crippled a man who attempted to vote the Republican ticket. Ryan was tried, found guilty, and sentenced to one year's imprisonment and the payment of a fine of $250. Through the influence of the Attorney General of the State, a Democrat, the sentence was reduced to six months' imprisonment and a fine of $75. This was not satisfactory to the bull-dozers, and a stay of proceedings were procured, and Ryan was released on bail. The Kingston bull-dozers count this a triumph.

The old darkey preachers thoughts about Lent are about right. Man comes up like grass he flourishes like sparrow-grass he frisks about like hopper-grass he dies like a jack-ass.

A Ball Underneath the Ground.

A ball was given last night by Capt. Matt Canavan at the New York mine, Gold Hill, of which mine he is Superintendent. The ball took place at the new station opened at the depth of 1,040 feet below the surface. This station is quite as large as an ordinary ball-room, well-floored, walled in with substantial timbers, and has quite a lofty ceiling. The station is cool and comfortable, was appropriately decorated for the occasion, and was lighted with lamps suspended from the ceiling. The ladies were dressed in calico and the gentlemen in correspondingly-inexpensive raiment. The furniture was in keeping with the place, and, while there was furnished everything necessary to comfort, nothing very extravagant was seen. Never before in the United States—if anywhere in the world—has there been a ball given at the depth of nearly a quarter of a mile beneath the surface of the earth. There was no trouble about persons slipping into the ball-room without tickets. It was a queer way, too, of going to a ball, this stepping upon a cage instead of into a carriage, and being darted straight down toward the center of the earth instead of rolling off horizontally in the usual way.—*Virginia (Nev.) Enterprise.*

A Hen Becomes a Rooster.

Six years ago next July there was hatched in this section a female chick. With the exception of the usual adventures with hauks and owls, this interesting fowl reached the age of pullethood without creating any unusual excitement. She quickly won the hearts of the lords of the barnyard, and more than one pitch battle was fought for her favor by rival cocks. In time she developed into a steady, matronly hen, and not only proved a good source of eggs, but sat upon and hatched five litters of chick, and one of geese, from which feat she was known in the neighborhood as the "gosling hen." Last February, however, a marked change was observed in the subject of the sketch. First, the roosters ceased to worship at her shrine. A change was also observed in her general bearing, she assuming decidedly masculine airs—crowing with the tone of a thoroughbred chanticleer; spurs commenced to grow from her heels; the tail feathers lengthened and curved; her comb grew in length, and now this remarkable fowl has developed into a full fledged rooster.—*Oglethorpe (Ga.) Echo.*

Dinner.

Dinner is frequently a heavy meal compared with the others, and to receive it comfortably and without consequent inconveniece, the stomach should be in the best condition it is capable of acquiring.

There should be between work and meal a certain period of respose, to allow time for the collection of a good store of gastic solvent, indicated by the phenomenon of a keen, healthy, vigorous appetite—such an appetite as stimulates mind and body to a genuine joy at the sight, smell, and sound of food.

A picnic will be held at Inwood Park, Cincinnati, Ohio, on the 10th of August, 1879, by a matrimonial association formed August 19th, 1877, at Cincinnati, on which occasion it is expected there will be over one hundred couples publicly joined in matrimony, as an evidence of the influence and successful workings of the association. The novelty of a hundred marriages at once will doubtless bring together the largest assemblage of people ever collected in that city.

A baliff having been ordered by Lady Hardwick to procure a sow of the breed and size she particularly described to him, came one day into the dining-room, when full of company, proclaiming, with a burst of joy he could not suppress—

"I have been to Royston fair, my lady, and have got a sow exactly of your ladyship's size." The company started. And didn't Lady Hardwick look funny!

ICED TEA.—The tea should be made in the morning, and half of green and half of black; make stronger and sweeter than usual; pour into a jug, and place in the ice-house or chest. Serve in goblet, with small pieces of ice.

Lemon tea can be made by adding a few slices of lemon and a little of the juice to tea made as above.

A calf will draw milk in three minutes, and the nearer a milker can come to that time the better. A slow milker makes a cow impatient, which often causes her to hold up her milk. The "strippings" are the richest part, and if a cow is milked quietly as well as quickly there will be more as well as richer milk because of the "strippings."

Several boys weeding onions in Southport were prostrated by a stroke of lightening. Boys, whose fathers own onion beds, should cut this out and paste it in their fathers' hats.

Grumbling kills goodness.
Government should begin at home.
Great deeds survive the flood of time.
Greatness consists in not feeling great.

BREAKFAST PUFFS.—½ pint of milk, 1 pint of flour, 2 eggs, 1 tablespoonful of butter, or 2 of cream, and 1 teaspoonful of salt. Bake in hot roll pans.

"One can overcome any bad habit if he choose," says an old moral law. We'd like to see any one overcome the bad habit of tobacco if he chews.

It is lucky to pick up a horse-shoe, unless, of course, it happens to be attached to a mule's hind leg.

The New York *Tribune* has an admirable article on the great issue which—beyond all questions of administration, of finance, etc.—must be first settled by the People's party of this country. It concludes thus:

It is safe to predict that all changes in the future will be in the direction, not of restriction, but of enlargment of the national power for the protection of the right of sufferage. The people, whatever democratic politicians may think, are really disgusted with the changeable, conflicting and vexatious regulations of the states. They are citizens, not of a state, but of the United State. In their dearest rights they want the steady, equal and powerful protection which the national government alone can give. The chief defeat of existing laws is that they only scratch the surface. More will be done before ten years have passed, to insure a government of the United States by the people of the United States, and not by legislative tricks, rifle clubs, state boaads, bands of repeaters, or bribed electers.

The young woman who desires to have herself published in the newspapers as "fascinating, beautiful, and accomplished," will please pack up her clothes in a dirty towel, crawl out of the back up stairs window some dark, rainy, night, and elope with the man who curries and feeds her dad's horses. It's a big price to pay for compliments but it will bring them just as certain as a dirty rain-water barrel will beget mosquitoes in July.

Every day we have evidence that the small boy has no soul. The other day a crowd gathered around a farmer whose wagon-load of butter and eggs was fast in a mud-hole. and, while some suggested that he pull his horse gee, and others that he pull him haw, the ever-present boy yelled, "It's no use, mister. Your hoss ain't strong enough. Take him out an' hitch in a roll of yer butter."

In Stanstead, Canada, a man sold ten cent packages, "warranted sure death to potato bugs; no risk of poisoning animals as with Paris green." The packages were not opened until time to use them. One victim, having three, opened one, and found two square blocks of wood, on one of which was written: "Place the bug on this block, and press firmly with the other."

Beside a straw stack sat a tramp—a jolly tramp, and wise—who, while he patched his tattered coat, did thus soliloquise: "It seems so sad that my lone life doth ever downward tend, and rags me into wretchedness; but still I'm on the mend. And when I needle little cash, I make no loud laments, but by a straw stack sit me down, and gather in my rents."

A gentleman lately inquiring for a young lady of his acquaintance' was told, very gravely, that she was dead.

"Is it possible! I never heard of it—what was her disease?"

"Vanity," returned his informant; "She buried herself alive in the arms of an old fellow of seventy, with a fortune, in order to have the satisfaction of a gilded tomb."

I have seen salt recommended to be eaten with walnuts, so as to prevent indigestion, but I think I prefer eating the walnuts without any such condiment. If lovers of nuts of any kind, will drink a cup of sweet milk after eating them, they will not experience any unpleasant sensations, and can eat a great many more with impunity.

Mrs. Hayes has a flower mission of her own, which does good in more ways than one. The conservotories of the White house bloom most abundantly. Each morning a messenger on horseback is dispatched by her to bear baskets of freshly-cut flowers to ladies of her acquaintance. The poor are also remembered in this exquisite manner,

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Wine.—At the first, it sparkles and cheers; at the last it poisons and maddens. At the first, it excites mirth and song; at the last, it produces sorrow and surses. At the first, it is an affair or good feeling and fellowship; at the last, it is an affair of feuds, fighting and murder.

One of the charges against a Seneca Falls (N. Y.) minister is that he hired a livery horse and wagon, was gone two days, swapped horses six different times, and came back to the stable with the same horse he took out having made $100 by the operation.

The Rev. Dr. Rhea, a leading Methodist Episcopal preacher at Davenport, Iowa, created much excitement among his parishioners recently by preaching a serman in which he favored the entire prohibition of religious teaching in the schools.

The hand of Time, imperceptible in its touch, steals the color from our opinions; and like those who look on faded pictures, we wonder at having been struck with their force.

The incognito business is being run into the ground. John Smith of Detroit is traveling in Germany under the name of De Bologna.

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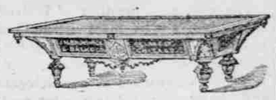

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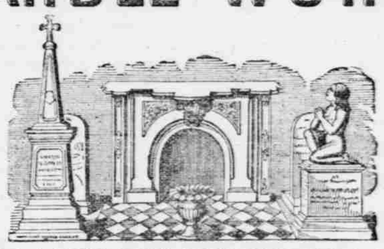

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