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NOTICE.

A. M. Beebe, a non-resident of the State of Nebraska:
Will take notice that the Burlington & Missouri River Railroad Company in Nebraska has located its road through and upon the following real estate owned by him, situate in Cass county, State of Nebraska, and city of Plattsmouth, to-wit: Lot two (2) in block forty-nine (49), lot eleven (11) in block sixty-three (63), lot three (3) in block one hundred and seventy-one (171), as is designated upon the recorded and published plats of the city of Plattsmouth; and the said A. M. Beebe is further notified that said Railroad Company desires to take, hold and appropriate said real estate for the use of its road; and if the said A. M. Beebe shall not within thirty days after the publication of this notice for four weeks, to-wit: on or before the 23d day of August, A. D. 1869, apply to the Probate Judge of said county to have the damages assessed by six disinterested freeholders, selected by said Probate Judge, as provided in chapter twenty-five (25) of the Revised Statutes of the State of Nebraska, and amendments thereto, said Company will proceed to have the damages assessed as therein provided by law.
Dated 23d day of June, A. D. 1869.
Burlington & Missouri River Railroad Company in Nebraska. By T. M. MARQUETT,
ju24w4. Its Attorney.

Notice.

Jacob Rudy, a non-resident of the State of Nebraska:
Will take notice that the Burlington & Missouri River Railroad Company in Nebraska has located its road through and upon the folgwing real estate owned by him, situate in Cass county, State of Nebraska, and city of Plattsmouth, to-wit: Lot four (4) in block one hundred and seventy-two (172), as is designated upon the recorded and published plats of the city of Plattsmouth; and the said Jacob Rudy is further notified that said Railroad Company desires to take, hold and appropriate said real estate for the use of its road; and if the said Jacob Rudy shall not within thirty days after the publication of this notice for four weeks, to-wit: on or before the 23d day of August, A. D. 1869, apply to the Probate Judge of said county to have the damages assessed by six disinterested freeholders, selected by said Probate Judge, as provided in chapter twenty-five (25) of the Revised Statutes of the State of Nebraska, and amendments thereto, said Company will proceed to have the damages assessed as therein provided by law.
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NOTICE.

L. B. Rich, a non-resident of the State of Nebraska:
Will take notice that the Burlington & Missouri River Railroad Company in Nebraska has located its road through and upon the following real estate owned by him, situate in Cass county, State of Nebraska, and city of Plattsmouth, to-wit: Lots one (1) and nine (9) in block one hundred and seventy-two (172), as is designated upon the recorded and published plats of the city of Plattsmouth; and the said L. B. Rich is further notified that said Railroad Company desires to take, hold and appropriate said real estate for the use of its road; and if the said L. B. Rich shall not within thirty days after the publication of this notice for four weeks, to-wit: on or before the 23d day of August, A. D. 1869, apply to the Probate Judge of said county to have the damages assessed by six disinterested freeholders, selected by said Probate Judge, as provided in chapter twenty-five (25) of the Revised Statutes of the State of Nebraska, and amendments thereto, said Company will proceed to have the damages assessed as therein provided by law.
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ju24w4. Its Attorney.

NOTICE.

G. R. Henry, a non-residen of the State of Nebraska:
Will take notice that the Burlington & Missouri River Railroad Company in Nebraska has located its road through and upon the following real estate owned by him, situate in Cass county, State of Nebraska, and city of Plattsmouth, to-wit: Lot two (2) in block sixteen (16), as is designated upon the recorded and published plats of the city of Plattsmouth; and the said G. R. Henry is further notified that said Railroad Company desires to take, hold and appropriate said real estate for the use of its road; and if the said G. R. Henry shall not within thirty days after the publication of this notice for four weeks, to-wit: on or before the 23d day of August, A. D. 1869, apply to the Probate Judge of said county to have the damages assessed by six disinterested freeholders, selected by said Probate Judge, as provided in chapter twenty-five (25) of the Revised Statutes of the State of Nebraska, and amendments thereto, said Company will proceed to have the damages assessed as therein provided by law.
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ju24w4 Its Attorney.

NOTICE.

Henry Douglas, a non-resident of the State of Nebraska:
Will take notice that the Burlington & Missouri River Railroad Company in Nebraska has located its road through and upon the following real estate owned by him, situate in Cass county, State of Nebraska, and city of Plattsmouth, to-wit:
Lot eleven (11) in block one hundred seventy-two (172), lot one (1) in block sixteen (16) and lot ten (10) in block forty-nine (49), as is designated upon the recorded and published plats of the city of Plattsmouth; and the said Henry Douglas is further notified that said Railroad Company desires to take, hold and appropriate said real estate for the use of its road; and if the said Henry Douglas shall not within thirty days after the publication of this notice for four weeks, to-wit: on or before the 23d day of August, A. D. 1869, apply to the Probate Judge of said county to have the damages assessed by six disinterested freeholders, selected by said Probate Judge, as provided in chapter twenty-five (25) of the Revised Statutes of the State of Nebraska, and amendments thereto, said Company will proceed to have the damages assessed as therein provided by law.
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NOTICE.

William S. Graff, a non-resident of the State of Nebraska:
Will take notice that the Burlington & Missouri River Railroad Company in Nebraska has located its road through and upon the following real estase owned by him, situate in Cass county, State of Nebraska, and city of Plattsmouth, to wit: Lots three (3), six (6) and seven (7), in block fifteen (15), as is designated upon the recorded and published plats of the city of Plattsmouth; and the said William S. Graff is further notified that said Railroad Company desires to take, hold and appropriate said real estate for the use of its road; and if the said William S. Graff shall not within thirty days after the publication of this notice for four weeks, to wit: on or before the 23d day of August, A. D. 1869, apply to the Probate Judge of said county to have the damages assessed by six disinterested freeholders, selected by said Probate Judge, as provided in chapter twenty-five (25) of the Revised Statutes of the State of Nebraska, and amendments thereto, said Company will proceed to have the damages assessed as therein provided by law.
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Burlington & Missouri River Railroad Company in Nebraska. By T. M. MARQUETT,
je24w4 Its Attorney.

NOTICE.

Sarah Worley, a non-resident of the State of Nebraska:
Will take notice that the Burlington & Missouri River Railroad Company in Nebraska has located its road through and upon the following real estate owned by her, situate in Cass county, State of Nebraska, and city of Plattsmouth, to wit: Lot ten (10) in block sixty-three (63), and lot two (2) in block one hundred and fifty-one (151), as is designated upon the recorded and published plats of the city of Plattsmouth; and the said Sarah Worley is further notified that said Railroad Company desires to take, hold and appropriate said real estate for the use of its road; and if the said Sarah Worley shall not within thirty days after the publication of this notice for four weeks, to wit: on or before the 23d day of August, A. D. 1869, apply to the Probate Judge of said county to have the damages assessed by six disinterested freeholders, selected by said Probate Judge, as provided in chapter twenty-five (25) of the Revised Statutes of the State of Nebraska, and amendments thereto, said Company will proceed to have the damages assessed as therein provided by law.
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NOTICE.

Matthew Boyd, a non-resident of the State of Nebraska:
Will take notice that the Burlington & Missouri River Railroad Company in Nebraska has located its road through and upon the following real estate owned by him, situate in Cass county, State of Nebraska, and city of Plattsmouth, to-wit:
Lots nine (9) and eleven (11) in block one hundred and thirty-six (136), Lot eleven (11) in block one hundred seventy (170) and Lot seven (7) in block one hundred seventy-one (171),
As is designated upon the recorded and published plats of the city of Plattsmouth; and the said Matthew Boyd is further notified that said Railroad Company desires to take, hold and appropriate said real estate for the use of its road; and if the said Matthew Boyd shall not within thirty days after the publication of this notice for four weeks, to-wit: on or before the 23d day of August, A. D. 1869, apply to the Probate Judge of said county to have the damages assessed by six disinterested freeholders, selected by said Probate Judge, as provided in chapter twenty-five (25) of the Revised Statutes of the State of Nebraska, and amendments thereto, said Company will proceed to have the damages assessed as therein provided by law.
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Extract

From a letter sent to an Eastern friend by a well known citizen of Nebraska:—"You have no home yet, are looking a little as you say, and if you cannot find one to suit at the East you will try the West. Now Mr. — if something could happen to drive you away from old Caman, out of Litchfield county, Connecticut, and New England, too, to some place west of the Great Lakes and according to my notion of things, west of the Big Muddy, it would be the best thing that ever happened you. What is the use of settling down among tne Litchfield hills and swamps until you get rusted down? Just make one desperate effort and break loose. Endorse a note for some scallawag to the amount of four or five thousand dollars, you will have it to pay and after that be disgusted with everything in Litchfield. Your eyes will then turn with longing anticipations towards the Great West, and your feet never rest satisfied until you come hither. If I hadn't a red cent to-day I wouldn't take your old farm as a gift with all the swamp from Robbins' farm to Huntsville thrown in, and a life lease of Canaan mountain beside.

Of what earthly use is it for a sensible man, one who who has energy and grit, to spend his whole life knocking around among the Litchfield or Berkshire hills and swamps, where for each alternate hill he plants he must first move a stone to make room for the seed he drops, or spend a whole season grubbing *hard-hacked* to get the surface clear for a crop next year which he may never live to see. Half the year swimming in water and the other half floundering in mud. Working hard six months in the year to get enough to keep soul and body together the other six, the days spent in fretting and the nights in fighting musquitoes. Let all spend their lives in this manner who have a passion for it or don't know any better. As for me I rejoice in that Providence which drove me from the land of wooden nutmegs and compelled me to seek a home where land was both rich and cheap, poverty respectable and labor remunerative. Although I started out on my pilgrimage shedding bitter tears at the thought of leaving early association and, friends behind, my subsequent experience have more than paid for all the losses I sustained, and as old age is creeping on we are blessed with the assurance that we have more than a competency in a land in all that is necessary to return honest labor its full reward, a climate abounding in health which alone is a mine of wealth a population where those of every cast or creed can seek those of kindred spirit with themselves, a land in short where every element is supplied, combined with honest, well directed, intelligent labor, to make home attractive, life agreeable, labor useful, pleasant and remunerative.

Josh Billings on a Live Man.

The live man iz like a little pig; he iz weaned yung, and—beging for tew rute early.

He is the pepeer sass of creation—the all-spice ov the world.

The man who kin draw New Orleans molasses in January thru a half-inch augur hole and sing home sweet home while the molasses iz runnin, may be strictly honest, but aint suddint enuff for this climate.

The live man iz as full of bizness as the cunducto ov a street car—he is often like a hornet, very busy, but about what the Lord only knows.

He lites up like a cotton factory, and ain't got no more time to spare than a skool boy Sunday afternoons.

He is like a decoy duck, always above water, at least 18 months during the year.

He is like a runaway hoss—he gits the whole of the road.

He trots when he walks, and only lies down at night because everybody else does.

The live man is not always a deep thinker; he jumps at conclusions just as the frog duz, and don't always land in the spot he iz looking at.

He is the American pet, a perfect mystery to foreigners; but has done more (with charcole) to work out the grateniss of this country than any other man in it.

He don't always die rich, but alwaze dyes easy and meets death like an oyster without any fuss.

It is one of the singular coincidence connected with the decease of Mr. Henry J. Raymond that he should have passed the very last afternoon of his life in making arrangements for the reinterment of his son who died a few months since; and still more remarkable that, on the morning of his death, he should have said to Dr. Medill that he would prefer a death by apoplexy to any other. It is a tradition of the eloquent James Otis, of Revolutionary fame, that he had often expressed the desire that when his time should come to die he might be struck by lightening; and that one day as he stood in the front doorway of his house, with the door open, as a small cloud passed over. One single thunderbolt only fell from it, and that struck him and killed him instantly.

Old Trees.

There is an interest in old trees which seems to be the never failing topic of discussion. The oldest tree or the biggest tree in any country is sure to have a reputation hardly equalled by any other local curiosity. Old people, too, love to talk about these familiar topics, and their children after them repeat with pleasure the queer old stories and ideas about the 'old tree' which still lives, while every one else grows old and drops away forgotten. Here is a practical argument to the young and of the present generation to plant trees for all futurity. They may fall from the ranks of life at any time, but the trees they plant bear their names on for years with many a precious memory.

Somnambulism.

Somnambulism is a very dangerous affection, which has hitherto been found extremely difficult to cure. Professor Pellizzars, of Florence, seems to have hit upon a successful as well as curious plan which simply consists in winding once or twice around one's leg, on going to bed, a thin, flexible copper wire, long enough to reach the floor. Eighteen somnambulists treated in this way have been either radically cured or temporarily weaned from their unfortunate infirmity. The *Gazette Medica*, of Venice, which reports the fact, says that copper wire is known to dissipate magnatic somnambulism, and that this system led the professor to have recourse to this strange remedy.

A country editor has discovered that his own and A. T. Stewart's incomes for the year 1868 together amount to $3,019,213, and thinks of proposing to Stewart to devide even or toss a copper for the whole; if he refuses, the editor will have to be content with the last three figures to represent his share.

Josh Billings' Real Estate Bulleten.

I kan sell for eighteen hundred and thirty-nine dollars a pallas, a neat and pensive retirement, lokated on the virgin banks of the Hudson, kontaining 85 acres. The land is luxuriously devided by the hand of nature and art into pasture and tillage, into plain and declivity into stern abruptness and the dalliance of moss-tufted medder; streams of sparkling gladness (thick with troat) danse thru the wilderness of buty tew the low music of the kricket and the grasshopper. The evergreen sighs as the evening zefer flirts thru its shadowy buzzum. Fruits of the tropiks in golden buty molt on the bows, and the bees go heavy and sweet from the fields of their garnering hives. The manshun is ov Parian marble, the porch is a single diamond set in rubies and the mother of pearls; the floor is ox-rosewood, and the ceilins are more beautiful than the stary vaults of heavin. Hot and cold water squirts and bubbles in every direction, and nothing is wantin that a poet could pra for or art could portra. The stables are worthy of the steeds of Nimrod or the studs of Akilles, and its henery was built expressly for the birds of paradise, while sombre in the distance, like the cave of a hermit, glimpses are caught of the dorg-house. Here poets have cum and warbled their laze; here sculptors have sculpt; here painters have robbed the scene ov dreary landscapes, and here the filosofer discovered the study which made him the alkemist of natur. Next to the northward of this thing ov buty, sleeps the residence and domain of the Duke John Smith; while south and nearer the spice-breathing tropiks, may be seen the baronial villy of Earl Brown and the Duchess Widdy Betsy Jones. Walls of primitive rock, lade in Roman sement, bound the estate, while upward and downward the eye catches far away the slow grandure of the Hudson. As the young morn hangs like a curling of silver from the blu brest of the sky, an angel may be seen each night dancing with golden tiptoes on the green.

N. B. This angel goes with the place

Diagrams kan be seen at the office of the broker. Terms flattering. None but principals dealt with. Title as pure as the birth of a white male infant, and possession given with the lark.

The Southern Blockade.

The old proverb, that "neessity is the mother of invention," was vindicated, if never before, by the blockade of the southern ports. Little by little, the stock on hand of almost everything disappeared. Carpets took the place of blankets, tin cups and plates in place of glass and china, homespun of silks and calico, old barrels sawed in two of tubs, kegs similarly treated of buckets, dry-goods boxes of trunks and bonnet-boxes, pine-knots of gass, kerosene, and candles. Rice and wheat straw made capital hats and bonnets; shoes with wooden soles, nailed on with carpet tacks, became fashionable with the men, the children going barefoot, and even the ladies, it is said, used the same forced economy within doors. Wheat, potatoes, cornmeal, and, best of all, meal siftings, sweetened with molasses, and taken without milk, made palatable coffee, which, even when made of rye,, could be drunk without making a wry face.—The blockade thus turned every house into a curiosity shop, and threw even Yankee invention into the shade. Everything was valuable, nothing was wasted, and everything ingeniously turned to account.

Purity of Intention.

If a man visit his sick friend, and watches at his pillow for charity's sake, and because of his old affection, we approve it; but if he does it in hope of a legacy, he is a vulture and only watches for the carcasses. The same things are honest and dishonest; the manner of doing them, and the end of the design, makes the separation. Holy intention is to the actions of a man that which the soul is to the body, or form to its matter, or the root to the tree, or the sun to the world, or the fountain to the river, or the base to a pillar; for, without these, the body is a dead trunk, the matter is sluggish, the tree is a block, the world is darkness, the river is quickly dry, the pillar rushes into flatness and a ruin; and the action is sinful or unprofitable and vain. The poor farmer, that gave a dish of cold water for Artaxerxes, was rewarded with a golden goblet; and he that gives the same to a disciple in the name of a disciple, shall have a crown; but if he gives water in despite, when the disciple needs wine or a cordial, his reward shall be, to want that water to cool his tongue.

Swearing by Proxy.

From the Dayton (Ohio) Ledger.

Yesterday afternoon a lady reached the passenger depot in this city on one of our railroads, just as the train on which she desired to take passage moved away. She was extremely anxious to get aboard the train, but was *left*, which, of course, was not *right*. As she stood gazing upon the train, her arms full of packages and her eyes full of tears, a gentleman arrived at the depot, on a full run, with a carpet-bag in his hand, his coat on his arm, and his face streaming with perspiration. He, too, wanted to take the same train, but, alas, was too late. As he looked on the train, now fast moving away, he sat down his carpet-bag, wiped his face, and very deliberately and emphatically said: "Damn that train!" The lady heard him, and smiling upon him with a lady's sweetness, said: "Thank you, sir." He had undoubtedly expressed her sentiments exactly.

Water in Fevers.

As is well known, the use of water in fevers was formerly prohibited. Among the early settlers of northern New York was a man suffering from a violent fever. His physicians had given up all hopes of his recovery, and had given the information on his last visit. During the night following, the sick man told his watcher, as he must die, it would certainly do no harm to him to have what water he wanted, and begged the watcher to go to the cool spring near by and get a pitcher full. So earnest was his intreaties, the man went and got it, and the sick man drank a quart pitcher full. He soon fell into a quiet sleep, and after some hours woke up in a profuse perspration, and felt better. His medical attendant was astonished in the morning to find him convalescent, and he soon recovered his health.

Critical.

An exchange truthfully says that to criticise a newspaper is a very easy task, but that to print one to please everybody and the rest of mankind, is no small undertaking. Those who find fault with every little item which does not suit their idea of write and wrong, should buy type and publish an organ of their own. Let them try it for a while, and if they don't get some new ideas on the subject we ase no judges of human nature—that's all.

DEAF AND DUMB ASYLUM.

A few days since, we paid a short and somewhat hasty visit to the Asylum for the education of deaf mutes, which was incorporated during the last session of our State Legislature. We found the officers and pupils grouped together in a small building on Southern avenue, a short distance south of the Convent, which is entirely inadequate to the demands which have already been made upon it. There are in attendance some ten or twelve pupils, ranging in age from ten to twenty-five years, several of them bright, intelligent creatures, who presented the sad spectacle of being deprived of two of the greatest faculties with which the God of nature has endowed man, hearing and speaking, and yet apparently happy in their deprivation.—Professor French, (himself a mute) a graduate of the Indiana Institute, has charge of the school; and it is gratifying to note the entire confidence and affection with which he is regarded by those under his control. We witnessed a portion of the regular exercises, which were exceedingly interesting, the teacher using a small blackboard for his questions and the class writing their answers on a larger one. In Geography and Orthography the elder scholars seemed *au fait*; while in grammer a novel and rather striking system has been adopted, which seems to answer well for the brevity secured by speech.

A series of symbols, representing the different parts of speech; are in use, by which the mutes recognized immediately and explained the grammerical construction of sentences, apparently with as clear an understanding as those of their more privileged fellow beings, who are pursuing the same studies.

We are proud to say that from the list of names presented as the officers of the institution, we have every hope that at no very distant day, such an edifice will be reared as will be alike a credit to the State and a monument to humanity.—Nebraska is a growing State, well meriting her title of "The young Grant of the West;" and Omaha is her metropolis, and it is fitting that her public buildings should be of such a nature as will cause her citizens to point to them with pride.

In conclusion, we would call upon those families in the State who have in their midst dear ones who are deprived of such inestimable blessings as to render them deaf mutes, to confer at once with Mr. French, and grasp the precious boon, which will bless them with knowledge, a gem of which adversity cannot rob them, but which will ever prove a well-spring of pleasure.—*Republican.*

Paternal Duties.

The father who plunges into business so deeply that he has no leasure for domestic duties and pleasures, and those only intercourse with his children consists in a brief word of authority, or a surly lamentation over their intolerable expensiveness, is equally to be pittied and to be blamed. What right has he to devote to their pursuits the time which God has allotted to his children? Nor is it an excuse to say that he cannot support his family in their present style of living without thiseffort, I ask by what right can his family demand to live in a manner which requires him to neglect his most solemn and important duties? Nor is it an excuse to say that he wishes to leave them a competence. Is he under obligation to leave them that competence which he desires? Is it an advantage to be relieved from the necessity of labor? Besides is money the only desirable bequest which a father can leave to his children? Surely, well cultivated intellects, hearts sensible to domestic affection, the love of parents, and bretheren and sisters, a tast for home pleasures, habits of order, regularity and industry, hatred of vice and vicious men, and a lively sensibility to the excellence of virtue, are as valuable a legacy as an inheritance of property—simple property—purchased by the loss of every habit which render that property a blessing.—*Weyland's Moral Science.*

Do you ever think how much work a child does in a day? How, from sunrise to sunset, the dear little feet patter round—to us—so aimlessly. Climbing up here, kneeling down there, running to another place, but never still. Twisting and rolling, turning and reaching and doubling, as if testing every muscle for their future use. It is very curious to watch it, one who does so may well understand the deep breathing of the rosy little sleeper, as with one arm tossed over its curly head, it prepares for the next day's gymnastics. A busy creature is a little child.

The Last Day.

In a recent sermon delivered in Plymouth church, Mr. Henry Ward Beecher uttered this prediction: "I believe the time will yet come when our offices will be filled with honest men; that men can go to the Legislature and not become corrupt; that a man can be a judge and yet get to heaven." If Mr. Beecher's prophecy is to be fulfilled, there need be no alarm felt, by the present generation at least, in consequence of Millerite announcement of the "Last Day."

A Bridegroom's Faith.

An ignorant fellow, who was about to get married, resolved to make himself perfect in the responses of the Marriage Service; but by mistake he learned the Office of Baptism for those of Riper Years. So when the clergyman asked him in the church, "Wilt thou have this woman to be thy wedded wife?" the bridegroom answered, in a solemn tone:

"I renounce them all.

The astonished minister said, "I think you are a fool;" to which he replied:

"All this I steadfastly believe."

Deep sea soundings have demonstrated, it is stated, that the bottom of the sea, at great depths, is covered by a continuous mass, extending over miles in extent, of what may be considered as one single animal. It is thought to form the lowest stage of animal life on the globe, and is supposed to derive its nourishment directly from the mineral world, as in the case of plants. The new animal has been baptized by the euphonious name of *Bathybius.*

IN THE WRONG PLACE.—The too prevalent habit of sleeping in church is the occasion of many queer incidents and queer stories. A well known citizen lately fell asleep in a country church.—He was finally disturbed by the touch of a contribution box in the hands of one of the deacons, who was taking up a collection; but, without opening, his eyes, the sleeper ejaculated "Season," and sunk back to resume his nap. It is unnecessary to say that he was a season ticket passenger on a railroad.

An Alabama editor puffing a grocery kept by a woman, says, "Her tomatoes are as red as her own cheeks; her indigo as blue as her own eyes; her pepper as hot as her own temper."

News Items.

An Illinois agriculturist grows roses on apple trees.

The exact number of the Jubilee chorus was 10,528.

The Free-Lovers will shortly hold a convention in Indianapolis.

The police of Indianapolis are hereafter to pay for their uniforms.

The guano on the Chincha Island is said to be nearly exhausted.

The expenses of the New York police force for the past year were $3,000,000.

Sixty-one newspapers were started in the United States during May.

Three hundred cabs are to be ordered in London for the New York cab company.

A man in London follows the occupation of "professional introducer," and makes money by it.

The Boston *Post* says the Massachusetts Legislature has been sitting so long that it cannot get up.

Three thousand invitations to witness the inauguration of the Suez canal are to be sent to the notabilities in Europe.

"Ma, make brother be still. Every time I hit him on the head with the hammer, he hollers."

The new three-cent postage stamps after passing through the post office, are like pugilists emerging from a mill, quite black and blue in the face.

"That was greedy of you, Tommy, to eat your little sister's share of the cake.' 'You told me, ma, that I was always to take her part," said Tommy.

A highly intelligent reporter, the other day, in writing up a funeral, said: "The people passed in review before the corpse!"

A New York paper laments the completion of the Pacific railway because it has facilitated the importation of fire crackers.

The victorious nine of the Cincinnati base ball club neither smoke nor drink, retire at eleven P. M. and play a game of ball every day.

There are six one-armed Recorders in Iowa, to-wit: one in each of the counties of Appanoose, Decatur, Guthrie, Monroe, Warren and Washington.

There was some tittering the other day at a wedding breakfast when one of the guests wished the bride "many returns of the happy occasion."

A GOOD TAKE-OFF.—"Jane, give the baby some laudanum, and put it to sleep, and bring me my parasol. I am going to a meeting for the melioration of the condition of the human race."

Winnecke reports that his expected comet is in the exact place predicted for it at this time. It is coming directly toward the earth, and one or the other will have to turn out to avoid a crash.

A western farmer advertises a runaway wife, and calls particular attention to the meanness of her desertion just as the spring work was coming on, after he had had the expense of wintering her.

Mr. Glumm confesses to have got stuck for once in his life. The other night in the dark he mistook his mucilage bottle for the hair oil. His hair has since presented the appearance of whalebone.

It takes three editors to start a paper in New Orleans—one to get killed in a duel, one to die of the yellow fever, and one to write an obituary of the defunct two.

A Cleveland newspaper recently advertised that it would send a copy free to any person sending a "club of ten." A young lady in the country sent it the ten spot of clubs.

An English chemist has discovered a preparation to petrify human bodies, and suggests that by his method one can make excellent building material of his ancesters.

A San Francisco paper of the 11th, announces the arrival of the first peaches of the season—"wee little fellows, with just the smell of a genuine peach about them."

A sign put up in Court street, Boston, the other morning, had the following inscription: "Welcome! No North, no South, no East, no West, but Zwei Lager."

Eleven thousand cubit feet of masonry will be required in the erection of the new bridge across the river at Davenport. It is expected to be done by the 1st of December.

The New York *Herald* office was suddenly vacated the other day by the appearance of an individual with his face covered with pustules, who innocently inquired whether there was any indication of small pox about him.

The oldest member of the Order of Knight Templars and Knights of Malta in Iowa, is said to be Mr. Charles S. Movers, one of the mailing clerks in the office of the *State Register*. His diploma is dated Sept. 30, 1828.

A sharp old gentleman, traveling out West, got a seat beside his wife in a crowded car by requesting the young man who sat by her to "please watch that woman while he went into another car, as she had fits."

The New York *Mail* says: "When a gentleman steps on a lady's train, the lady should turn round and say politely, 'I beg your pardon, sir," and the gentleman should bow and say, 'I accept your apology, madam.'"

The Saturday *Review* likes picnics.—It says:

"There is more spooning done at picnics than anywhere else; and more offers are made there, under the shadow of the old ruin, or in the quiet, leafy nook by the river side than any other gathering time of the country.

Sir Walter Scott was, in one of his walks, leaning on the arm of his faithful attendant, Tom Purdie. Tom said, them are fine novels of yours, Sir Walter they are just valuable to me." "I'm glad to hear it, Tom." "Yes, sir, for when I've been out all day hard at work and come home very tired, and take up one o' your novels, I'm asleep directly."

An exchange has the following concerning night air.

People should not sleep in tight rooms any season of the year, but more particularly at this season. Those who fear night air should remember that there is no air but night air at night, whether it comes by the window or by any other place. It is not improved by impurities of a bed-room.

The New Orleans *Picayune* relates the following:

A member of the Louisiana Legislature, who carries a pair of gigantic feet, which he slings about as he walks like a pair of flails, recently accosted a well-known member of the bar with, "Mr. M——, you know me, don't you?" M—, surprised at the question, drew himself up at full length, and scanning his interlocutor from head to foot, remarked, "Well, sir, your face is a familiar one to me, but assuredly your feet have outgrown my recollection."

Some Rules for Pruning.

Whenever any part of a tree does not grow freely, pruning of such weak growth at this season will induce it to push more freely next year. All scars made by pruning off large branches, should be painted or tarred over to keep out the rain. Many fruit trees become hollow or fall into premature decay from the rain penetrating through old saw cuts made in pruning. Also, the branches should be cut close to the trunk, so that no dead stumps shall be produced on the tree, and the bark will readily grow over. Many persons cut off branches of trees in midsummer, in order that the returning sap may speedily clothe the wound with new bark: the loss of much foliage in summer injures the tree, and, besides, painting the scar removes all the danger of rotting of the wound.

Some judgment is required in pruning flowering shrubs, roses, etc., although it is usual to act as if it were one of the most common-place operations. One of the most clumsy of hands is commonly sent with the shears, and he goes through the whole place, clipping off everything indiscriminately. Distinction should be made between those flowering shrubs that make a vigorous growth and those which grow weakly, and between those which flower on the old wood of last year and those which flower on the new growth next season, as the effect of pruning is to force a strong and vigorous growth. Those specimens that already grow too strong to flower well, should be only lightly pruned; and, in the same individual, the weakest shoots should be cut in more severely than the stronger. Some things, like the Mock Oranges, Lilacs, and others, flower on the wood of last year. To prune these much now, therefore, destroys the flowering; while such as Altheas, which flower on the young wood, cannot be too severely cut in, looking to that operation alone.—*Gardener's Monthly.*

Agricultural Items.

A Mr. Scripps, a farmer of Teutonic extraction, called at Mr. Hunter's not long since, to