

# THE HERALD.

Clippings.

"Any man is a suspicious character," says a Michigan constable, "who has white teeth and wears two seal rings."

Mock cartridges, for duellists, have been invented. They smash the skin, draw blood, and satisfy any man's honor.

A Pittsburgh man, worth about \$4,000, is bent upon for others to the amount of \$32,000. Liberal town, that. Money seems to be no object.

It is asserted by a certain scientist that lightning is not a fluid. Well, probably not. It certainly feels awfully solid when a man runs against it.

"I send you up for two weeks," remarked the judge, looking at a seedy tramp before him. "Thank you, judge," replied the tramp, "that just suits me. I've got an engagement out in Chicago three weeks from to-day, and this'll just give me time to keep it."

Benjamin Godfrey and Mollie Windredger, lovers, neither over 18 years of age, of Norfolk, had a trifling quarrel. It was on Sunday, and that evening she refused to let him accompany her home from church. He went to a room, got drunk, went to her house, shot her through the heart, and then killed himself. Both belong to wealthy families.

The largest plough ever manufactured has just been made at a factory in Stockton, Cal. It is designed for work in the tules, and cuts a furrow thirty-five inches wide. The mould board is eight feet long from the point to the end. The plough will be attached to a sulky, and will require a team of twelve stout animals to pull it.

One of the great features in sacred orders is the number of capital letters required for initials to represent their names or the titles of their officers, but a Washington colored society lays over them all in this regard its name being "The Ancient Order of the Sons and Daughters of Moses of the United States and the World at Large."

Augustus: "Aw, Miss Geraldine, I saw you away down the road, and I couldn't help following you—you my soul I couldn't. (Sighs.) I've been walking behind you for the last half mile, you're not—aw—angry, are you?" Geraldine (blantly): "Not at all, Mr. Scudles, if I please you. Why didn't you continue?" Augustus: "Aw—thanks!" But what does she mean?

Hitherto the names of the streets of the thriving city of Gloucester, Mass., have existed only in the imagination of its inhabitants. Since July last a committee has been at work naming the streets. When the work is completed, 236 streets and courts will have been named, and 300 signs will be put to designate them. The houses will then be numbered, and letters carriers commence their rounds.

An iron mountain, 10,500 feet high and rivaling the famous iron mountain of Missouri, has been discovered in Colfax county, New Mexico. The ore is almost entirely pure iron, and in connection with the immense quantities of coal found in Colfax county, this huge deposit of iron ore marks at no distant day become the source of industries which will gather and support a large and thriving population.

Six hundred dollars is the fortune the average Chinaman marks out for himself. He knows nothing but silver. He won't touch checks, greenbacks or nickel. The common dollar he will have nothing to do with. The California coin alone has charms for him. When his \$600 are earned he takes his bag on his back and starts on his way to marry and live as a nabob. Quite as many Chinese leave for home as arrive at San Francisco.

It is stated as a fact that camels' hair shawls are made from the wool of the Thibet goat. Thus the fondest hopes decay. John Smith and Jacob Johns were only variety performers. William Tell had no bow-gun, no arrow, no apple, and no little son. Columbus did not discover this country until some other fellow had been here, and then he thought our people were natives of India. Men are not what they seem. Women seem more than they are. Dolls are filled with sawdust, and clergymen can not agree about the future.

It was in church, and the bright-eyed, restless little cherub would stand upon the seat and spill the hymn-books and keep up an incessant racket, while the mother frowned threateningly in the interests of good order. Cherub committed some particularly flagrant outrage, when the scandalized mother suddenly pointed a threatening forefinger at it when the cherub, after the manner of cherubs under such circumstances, just opened his mouth, took that baleful finger in, and slung it down on it with pleasure that made that mother groan out in the wrong place, "Oh! Ouch! Have mercy on us!"

The Tramp.

"I'm out of work and have no food," spoke up the tramping chieftain. "I'll give you some grub," replied the man who was sitting on the ground. "So sit you down and eat." Then the tramping chieftain said: "Where did you get that grub?" And the man who was sitting on the ground replied: "I've been to the store."

A friend hands us the following, clipped from an old newspaper: An old colored minister, in a sermon on hell, pictured it as a region of ice and snow, where the damned froze throughout eternity. When privately asked his purpose in representing Gehenna in this way, he said: "I don't dare to tell dem people nuffin else. Why, if I were to say dat hell was warm, some o' dem nigger niggers would be wantin' to start down dar de very first frost!"

Among the curious things that are patented and the right to which was sold lately at Washington are: Overcoat pocket for a lady's hand when walking with a gentleman, which brought \$350, with the State of Pennsylvania reserved a double pocket to cheat pick-pockets and a machine to "suck" postage stamps.

A poetical advertisement was brought us by a shoemaker. It costs extra where a man drops into poetry, because the strain is so great upon the column rules. It wouldn't stand the rain and so we were compelled to decline the advertisement but we give the first stanza as a poetical gem.

"How I oh, big, ye gentle breeze All among the trees and trees, Sing 'oh sing, ye heavenly muses, While I need your boots and shoes."

A Sensible Idea.

In South America the cities are lighted with castor oil. The castor plant is of very remote history, seeds having been taken from the Egyptian tombs supposed to be especially adapted for the cultivation of the castor bean, and among the important items of profit we count its culture, and the manufacture of the oil, as very desirable. *Plant the castor plant.—Cora Beckwith.*

We should raise Castor bean, flax and several other things more than we do.

AGRICULTURAL TOPICS.

Butter was in use 4000 years ago. New South Wales has 2,400,000 sheep. In India the legal rent of land is one-half the produce. Germany supplied France with \$4,000,000 worth of flour in 1876.

A Canadian boasts of an ear of six-teenths of corn with 765 kernels. The quantity of milk consumed daily in Boston is stated at 34,670 gallons. One million hands are engaged in raising and manufacturing tobacco.

Ohio raises 15,000,000 bushels of apples from 881,000 acres of orchards. Only two-thirds of the area of Italy, capable of production, are cultivated, while the balance lies waste.

Instead of 800,000 tons of wheat, calculated upon by California, she will not raise over 250,000 tons this year. There are twenty-one students in the agricultural department of the St. Francis College, Richmond, P. Q.

A tree, which was lately cut down in Kansas, contained three swarms of bees and over 200 pounds of clear honey. Spain has recently opened an experiment station in connection with her School of Agricultural Engineering.

Eight hundred and fifty-two thousand four hundred and thirty-eight farmers in Great Britain own less than an acre each. Australia is making extensive preparations to supply England with fresh meat by similar methods now in use here.

Switzerland is increasing her trade in condensed milk, making available as an article of export that which was formerly wasted.

The authorities in France have decided that the railways may only transport five animals a distance of 125 miles in twenty-four hours. Nine hundred million pounds of butter and cheese, valued at over \$124,000,000, were produced in the United States during the year 1876.

Wheat and millet seed germinate in a day or two, barley in seven days, cabbage in ten, while almonds, chestnut and peaches require twelve months. Five your hogs a rubbing post in some accessible part of their enclosure; it facilitates their keeping clean and seems to afford them much satisfaction. Wisconsin tobacco raisers are now delivering their tobacco at the warehouses in bulk, which is assorted and packed after being sold, and it is said the plan meets with favor.

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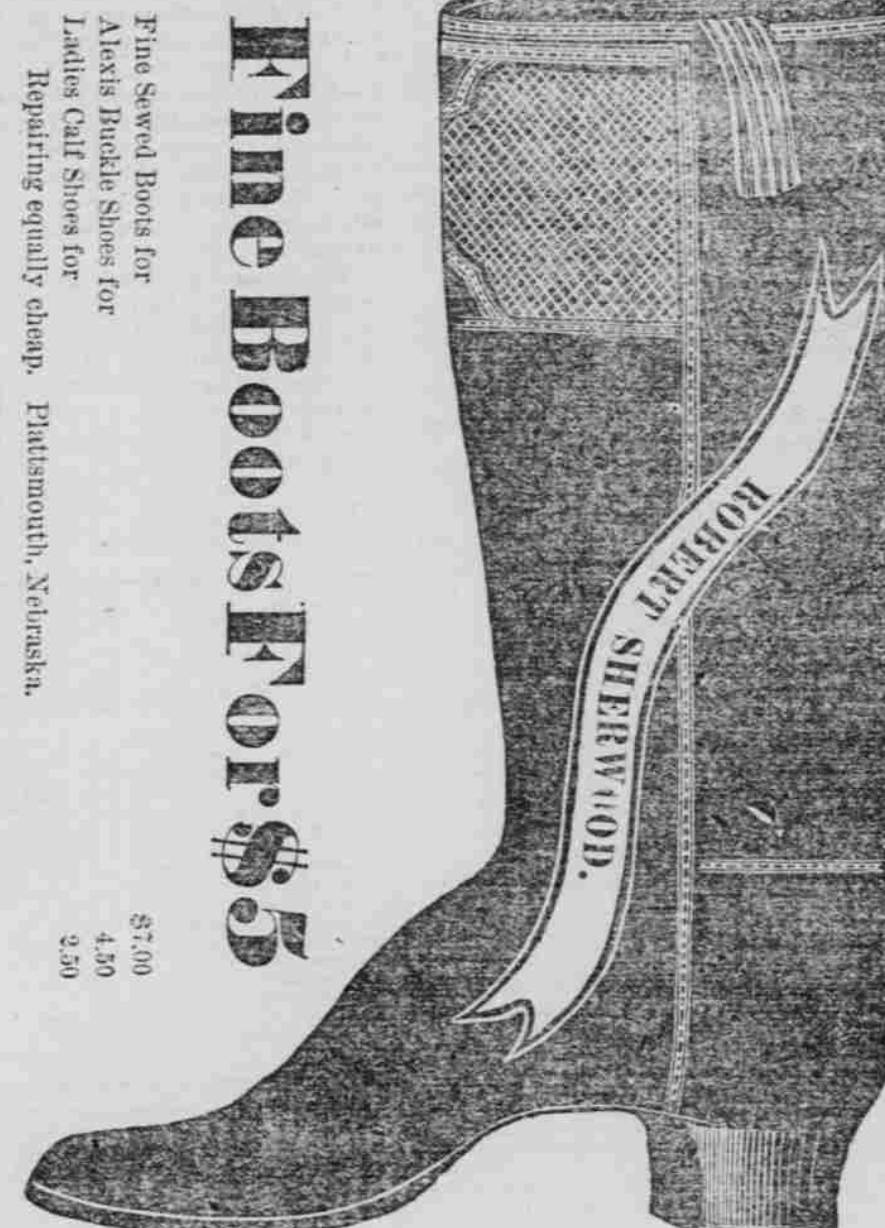
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