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LEFT AGENCIES. We were strolling alone. She must surely have known. I want to say, when I look in my own. Both her hands.

BULL-TERRIERS. How One of the Rascals Lost Jack a Fortune. Unburdening His Soul on the Subject of His Own Bull-Terrier—Why He Is Not to Be Over-Whipped—Dogs.

I was strolling down Montgomery street one day last week with Jack Wetherall, when a seedy-looking individual, leading a bull-terrier of the most pronounced type, approached us and asked that question which Snyder has made so famous: "Don't you want to buy a dog?"

"Well, it's a pretty longish yarn, but if I shan't bore you, just let a slip into my ear, what you think of a dog on your son on the subject of rich uncles and bull-terriers."

"When I was at Cambridge, in '68, bull-terriers were the fashion among a certain somewhat fast clique. Not that we were sauntering about the streets, but that high-bred, handsome little fellows, weighing from eight to twenty pounds, and bred in such a manner as to contain as much force as possible in the smallest amount of space. Of course I was bound to have one, and as money in those days was not much of an object I determined to get a good one."

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No festal day in the States has half the pleasures for the boys that the fiesta has for the full-grown Mexican. The pure white element takes little part in it, except to make money, and the upper class has almost nothing to do with it except to look on for a little while; but for the Indian, the half-breed and the poorer whites it is nearly all that is worth living for, a thing that takes precedence of all else on earth. Hundreds of miles the Mexican often travels to it, sometimes with his whole family mounted upon donkeys, or in one of those ponderous carts used on the haciendas.

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FAXING BACHELORS. Some Recent Reasons Why Anti-Bachelors Should Pay Contributions to the Public Treasury. There is a proposition on foot in several of the Eastern States to have laws passed taxing bachelors a certain sum each year. The object is two-fold, to raise money from a non-producing class of citizens, and to place bachelors under a ban, and show them that their manner of living with no object in view is not believed to be of value to a community. There are two sides to all questions, and the few who do not know which side to take, consequently pay it, as usual, straddle the fence. Bachelors, who are such by choice, will fight it out on that line and claim that they had rather pay a reasonable tax, or even an extortionable one, than to marry. They will illustrate their position by pointing to thousands of married men who would be willing to pay their last dollar in taxes, if they could be placed back in the ranks of bachelors. The bachelors will show that on the average they are happier, and more free from care, and enjoy themselves better than the average married man, and on that ground they will be willing to pay it.

THE LATEST CRAZE. How Detroit Ladies Obtain Exquisitely Lovely Attentions. As the reporter lapped on the cab-hopper's back of one of Hendrie's maroon-colored coaches the familiar driver pushed the door open, leaned his back on the north jamb and began unloading his daily budget of expressed information. "Wimmin is mighty curious critters," was his exordium. "This road is goin' to pay a dividend if the latest-a-gony only hold out."

STEEP TRAVELING. A Railroad Annals Who Will Certainly Take the Premium. "Guess," said a railroad man, recently, "that I've worked aboard the fastest railroad on earth."

PNEUMONIA. Twelve Causes to which This Disease Can Be Attributed. To reach reliable conclusions respecting the more important diseases, especially pneumonia, the experience of many observers in different localities need be compared. Medical books and magazines furnish comparisons to some extent, as do the frequent medical meetings, with their papers and discussions. But the end is being reached in a more systematic and thorough way in England. Thus, in the case of acute pneumonia, reports have been received by a central authority, a committee of over one thousand cases from four hundred and eighty observers. These were put in charge of a sub-committee to arrange, and to deduce from them what may be looked on as established results. The following we have gathered out of them and here present as a brief summary:

1. White pneumonia is apt to be complicated with bronchitis and catarrhal affections, this is by no means invariably so. We take this to mean that it may occur without any symptoms of a "cold."

2. Pneumonia often attacks more than one member of a family at a time. This supports the theory of contagion as either indicating a common cause, or an infectious character of the disease.

3. When it is unusually prevalent, the degree of mortality from it is exceptionally low.

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PITH AND POINT. "Some men are born with big heads, some acquire big heads and others have big heads thrust upon them." —Bul. N.Y.

"The bones of the average man only weigh about twenty-four pounds, and yet some people put on airs and step around as though they weighed a ton." —Chicago Ledger.

"A small son of a Raleigh man, when asked the judge, 'How many brights' ended when the lightning struck his father's house, replied: 'No, do Lawd wasn't gwine to hurt me; it was daddy he was after.'" —Raleigh (N. C.) Observer.

"There have been various answers to the conundrum: Why is a ship called a ship? We think the proper answer is: Because she is hand-stomped when she is well-rigged. Wives should cut this out and show it to their husbands." —Boston Courier.

"Baby cries, and is sent to a side table. Papa says: 'When you have a beard you can sit with papa.' The house is just now very friendly bright. Baby furtively says: 'Jump down! You have a beard. Go eat with papa!'" —Chicago Journal.

"How is it?" writes a correspondent, "that the yachts always sail faster in a newspaper account, a race than they do on the water?" That's an easy one to answer, friend. You see, it's the extra "pulling" the boat gets that does the business. —Yonkers Statesman.

"You know why you get you like, mother, George no longer loves me." "But, child, how did you get that silly notion into your head?" "Oh, very simply and only too quickly. When he takes me home nowadays he always chooses the shortest road." —Chicago Courier.

REMARKABLE CHANGES. Mississippi Steamboat Twenty Years Ago and Today. "I tell you," he said throwing himself back in a heavy arm-chair, "the Mississippi is no longer what it used to be; the railroads have ruined it. There will be no more such steamers as the E. Lee, the Richardson or others of their class built. The steamers used to float all the cotton of the valley to New Orleans and were built to carry from 2,000 to 3,000 bales. But now the railroads, which it required a steamer to take it down, is now reduced to twenty-four hours by rail. Railroads are lowering the course of the river and robbing it of its trade, and I look forward to the day when the Mississippi river will be abandoned entirely in favor of rail."