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CONNUBIALITIES.

After the celebration of a wedding at Portsmouth recently, one of the bridesmaids, named Emily Rosellum, was throwing rice over the newly wedded pair as they quitted the church.

Ten little candidates standing in a line: One wrote a private letter—then there were nine.

Nine little candidates, each making up a date; One spoke about the tariff—then there were eight.

Eight little candidates; the presidential elector struck one prematurely—then there were seven.

Seven little candidates setting up the sticks; One pulled the wrong wire—then there were six.

Six little candidates, good men all and live; One was a record was looked upon—then there were five.

Five little candidates on a scrub race course; One's wheel horse made a bolt—then there were four.

Four little candidates, active as could be; One's little boom collapsed—then there were three.

Three little candidates; to an interview One of them submitted—then there were two.

Two little candidates made a red-hot run; One's managers sold out—then there were one.

One little candidate standing all alone; A dark horse kicked him—then there were none.

EDUCATIONAL.

The attempt to substitute Roman for Gothic text in German books of study in the St. Louis schools has failed.

The summer school of philosophy at Concord will open July 18. The list of subjects contains a number of promising ones.

William H. Vanderbill has given an additional \$100,000 to the endowment fund of Nashville University. The interest is to be applied to the support of a technical school.

The case Dr. Eliphaz Clark made a lecture at the Hall, Monday, on the condition that no member of the faculty and no teacher employed shall use tobacco in any form.

Friends of the University of Virginia are busy with plans for the erection of eleven different schools or departments in colleges, polytechnic schools, and other institutions of higher learning in the United States have recently been chosen.

The Michigan Legislature has passed by a nearly unanimous vote a bill requiring teachers in that state to pass an examination "in physiology and hygiene, with particular reference to the effects of stimulants and narcotics upon the human system."

Madison University, at Hamilton, N. Y. is to have a \$130,000 library building, thanks to the munificence of B. C. Colgate of New York City, and a \$100,000 chemical laboratory has also been provided for. The faculty has been strengthened by the election of Professor A. C. Harkness, of Brown University, the well known Latin scholar, and Professor J. F. Metzger, of Amherst, to the department of chemistry.

Evangelist Moody's school at Northfield, Mass., which has had three of \$100,000 to be used for building well equipped at a cost of over \$100,000, and a Boston man has promised to give it \$50,000 for an endowment fund if friends of the school will raise an equal amount. The seminary is intended for girls of moderate means, and the past year more applied for admittance than could be accommodated.

At the meeting of the Dartmouth College alumni every class but one since 1830 was represented by one or more members, and the recollections of the old men, through tradition and personal knowledge, extended back to the Revolutionary period and the early troubles of the college, covering the split that gave rise to the famous "Old North College case," in which Daniel Webster was so great a reputation.

Brown University, of Providence, R. I., appears to be in a most flourishing condition. The attendance at the seminary will also be equal to that of the year, the largest number since the foundation of the university and the treasurer's report shows a balance of \$722,063. A bequest by the late Mrs. M. W. Brown, of \$50,000 in the erection of a building to be devoted to the study of science as well as the arts, will be utilized at once; and \$50,000 has been subscribed for the renovation of University Hall.

MILWAUKEE, July 10.—Articles of incorporation have been filed for the establishment of the University of Milwaukee, Wis. Col. W. C. McLaren, a prominent commission merchant, and Rev. N. E. Wood as incorporators. Funds for the purpose of \$100,000 have been subscribed to the amount of \$600,000, and active steps are being taken by the city of Milwaukee, Heaver Dan, Delavan and other cities of the state to give the organization of these academies. The object of the university incorporation is to establish a university of the highest grade, with departments of Yale, Harvard, Brown, etc. are for the east.

The introduction of the common wood-cutting tools of the carpenter has been tried in the schools (Massachusetts) and the results are thus described: "The girls engaged in the undertaking with alacrity, and followed it up with some gusto, and they were highly pleased with the results. It is giving them health and strength and a command of their nerves and muscles which they would be likely to obtain in no other way. When the time allotted for the work arrives, there they may be found as busy as bees hammering, planing, sawing and chiseling and all the rest, with devoted enthusiasm. I am glad to hear of the success of the work. For any considerable number of women to know how to handle a hammer so as to strike the nail squarely on the head is a phenomenon seldom witnessed."

The papers to be read during the convention will treat of the most interesting and important educational topics of the day. On the second day of the convention, Prof. Felix Adler, of New York, will read a paper on "Industrial Schools," to be followed by a report of the committee of kindergartens and a discussion of kindergartens and manual training schools in the English language. On the third day papers will be read on "Instruction in German for English-speaking Pupils," by Mr. G. W. Cleveland, of Erie, Pa., as part of Instruction in Public Schools," by Mr. H. T. Schurick, of Chicago. On the fourth day a paper will be read by Mr. Max Grossman, of Milwaukee, on the necessity of German instruction in the public schools for educational, historical and practical reasons.

Active preparations are now going on for the fourth annual convention of German-American teachers to be held in Worcester, Mass., July 31 to August 4. There will be an exhibition of books and materials used in kindergartens, in object-teaching, and in manual training schools, together with a display of the most prominent publishers of school-books and materials of teachers' apparatus in this country, as well as in Germany, having signified their intention of sending large exhibits, and the best German-American schools will be likewise represented in the exhibition.

Oxford university's income for the past year was £53,900 including £13,300 from estates, £4,000 from the press, £24,800 from fees and dues, and £11,800 from miscellaneous sources. The expenditure was £29,207, including £3,000 for interest and sinking fund on loans. The examination fees amounted to £5,000, and the payment to examiners came to £4,967. Prizes and other expenses were £2,677, leaving £9,900; university dues, £8,100; matriculation fees, £1,900. Professor Cook £8,068, and university officers £4,380.

Dr. McCosh, of Princeton college, took occasion recently at a meeting of the trustees to utter his protest against the excessive indulgence in athletic sports, which has been growing each year. It was unfortunate for the learned doctor that he took this year all the honor students were accomplished athletes, the champion at the flying trapeze having carried off the highest honors in mental and moral philosophy by the doctor's own specialty.

A careful census of the Central high school, Cleveland, for the year 1882-3, shows that 134 of the pupils are children of merchants, 108 of professional men, 14 of farmers, 121 of agents, 26 of manufacturers, 75 of clerks, 156 of mechanics, and 96 of persons having no business, as widows and men not in active service.

About two hundred Roman Catholic children were recently ordered to leave the public schools of Toronto, unless their parents pay public school taxes.

fer of \$1,000 to sing at the opening concert next season. Her voice is said to be in a superb condition.

Mrs. Sembrich, the well-known prima donna, who is to be a leading member of Mr. Abbey's company at the new opera house, is said to be an excellent performer on the piano forte and violin.

Bartley Campbell's Siberia company will carry a large military band next season, to be used in the palace scenes of that play. Included in the band are two well known cornetists, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Pettit.

The Minnie Hank Concert company next season will contain Paulin Sali, contralto; Sig. Montegriffi, tenor; Sig. de Targualli, baritone; Herr Winkowski, organist and accompanist; and Constantine Sternberg, pianist and composer.

It is stated that Mrs. Nilsson has a clause in her contract with Manager Abbey, that no artist to be engaged shall be paid a larger salary than that to be received by the Swedish prima donna. This is said to have been incorporated at Nilsson's request, to attest her love for Patti. The price to be paid Nilsson is \$1,000.

Henry E. Abbey is now in Milan, picking a chorus for his Italian opera company. His female singers are so good that he is very ready to state that he is fully prepared to credit, inasmuch as Emma Abbott swept the whole of Italy from her home, did him last night in her attempt to secure fresh talent for her company. When Emma selects a chorus she doesn't have voice in view, but a fat young man named Wetherell.

The balcony scene in a performance by an Italian Romeo and a German Juliet is thus quoted from an auditor who declares himself conscientious and exact: "Aren't you Romeo, oond a Montague?" "Noster, fair sainta, eef either the diavola." "How comest thou here, dell me, oond varoforo?" "Weeth loova's light weasela I i spercha dose walls, for story lemita canna holda love out." "Dost thou love me? I know dov vilt say aye; oond I vilt take dov vord; yed, yed, dov schoward't, dov may prove it, loova's perporio dey say Chove laughs. O shentle Romeo!" The object was charity; but nobody could have asked more for his money under the most sordid circumstances.

A Spanish Fandango. Around the sawdust ring there rode A comely circus-rider, And fondles down with pleasure glowing Whenever he espied her.

In sooth he owned he was no clown, And couldn't see the harm in Tomfooling with this pretty girl— The Senorita Carmen.

"The queen, I fear, is up to snuff— I prithee don't defy'er." Advised the king and courtier gruff, Don Josus H. Maria.

Alas, the king was gone too far For woe's second thinking— He tipped the girl a traw-la-lu With multifarious winking.

Then did the queen, Alfonso's bride, Wax straightaway hot as fire, And call the courtier to her side— Don Josus H. Maria.

"Oh, take me from this dreadful place!" The lady ran to hallow; "I'll look no more upon his face— The horrid, nasty fellow!"

"But stay you, ma'am—the King hath eyes, And cannot help admire," In palliation then replies, Don Josus H. Maria.

But no, she was of stubborn mind, So, scorning "his" and "maybes," And leaving king and court behind, She sloped with both her ladies.

Then made the court a vast ado— Loud wailed the royal sire— And long repined the courtier, too— Don Josus H. Maria.

RELIGIOUS.

Voltaire's house is used by the Geneva Bible society as a repository for Bibles.

The Second Presbyterian church of Chicago has introduced a cornet in its choir music.

There are eight churches in the Chipewagan mission. One just being built will cost \$10,000.

There is a Chinese Catholic school on Clay street, San Francisco, in which 36 Chinese are under instruction.

Some of the colored churches in Atlanta have such strikingly fine singing as to attract crowds of white visitors every Sunday.

Maryland leads all other states in Sunday school work, with 2,042 Sunday schools and 238,376 members—about 25 per cent of the population.

A Montreal clergyman was recently too ill to preach, but he wrote a sermon, and by the use of a telephone heard it delivered in his church by another preacher as he lay on his sick bed in his chamber.

The Presbyterian church of Canada endorses 800 pastoral churches, and according to its last report, 114 vacancies, 700 ordained ministers, 4,324 churches, 68,208 families, 113,976 communicants and a total Presbyterian population of 776,165.

In the church of St. John, the evangelist, at Montreal, Canada, a case of "being put out on penance" recently transpired, which, being so unique in the history of the Canadian church, is worth being put upon record here. A member of the congregation, and one of note, having gravely offended society, the church by a vote, stood ready to excommunicate and made open confession before the clergyman and people, of all the wrongs he had done. Having done this, he was afterwards forgiven and his holy communion with the rest of the congregation.

PEPPERMINT DROPS.

A boy says in his composition that "Onions are the vegetable that make you sick when you don't eat them yourself."

James New, of Norwich, named his firstborn something; it was something New. The next he called Nothing; it being Nothing New.

There were no politicians killed in the recent bridge disaster in New York. There is nothing strange about this. Politicians may be killed on a fence, but never on a bridge.

Atlanta Constitution.

Rhode Island strawberries of six inches in circumference are reported. The most wonderful date of history is how they grew in the state without hanging over into Connecticut.

This trade dollar agitation must stop. Shrewd young lovers carry two or three of them in their pockets, pretend that it is all the money they have, and thus escape the tax of four thousand years. Hawkeye.

In a cigar store. "Why, how is this? You want \$8 for this brand, and yet before the tax you see, we have to charge a little more for the extra trouble of remembering not to put stamps on the boxes."—Phillyd.

The Barber boys, the bandits just lynched in Iowa, would not have taken to robbery had they not found that there were too many of them for a lecture tour and too few for a base ball nine.—Boston Advertiser.

Down in Tama county, Iowa, a cat was born with blue eyes, and is healthy and can yowl with one mouth and wail with the other. If this breed of cats becomes common it will just set the millionaires back about four thousand years. Hawkeye.

John Adams did not know a "fire-cracker," "serpent" or "bomb" from an icicle, but the old boy evidently had true young American ideas, as he wrote that on the 4th of July "ought to be solemnized with pomp and parade, with shows, games, sports, guns, bells, bonfires and illuminations from one end of the continent to the other, from this time forward forever more."

He was hurrying along Centre street the other morning, when a boy about his own age stopped him and called out, "Struck it?" "Yes." "What?" "Going to sweep out an office for a feller." "Who?" "Dunno." "How he'll get it?" "Cause he's a lawyer." "Well, he'll get it ten cents, and I'll be the president some day, but if he's a broker he'll flip you half a dollar, and don't care two cents whether you take it or not." "Washington or Halifax?" "Both!"—Wall Street News.

"What's the value of your personal property, old man?" asked a tax collector of a negro. "What you water know dat fur?" "So you know how much to make you pay?" "My stuff's dan paid fur, sah." "Yes, but you'll have to pay taxes on your household goods." "De taxud me enough in de fust place, sah."

Only a pair of breeches, Only a ragged coat, Only a couple of trunks, Only a home-made boat.

Only a mangled base-ball Placed in a drawer with care, Only beside it some marbles, A pocketknife too was there.

Only a slender figure Laid in the family lot, Only a little toy pistol That bustled when it was shot.

—St. Louis Post Dispatch.

HONEY FOR THE LADIES.

Soft gray woolen suits are the best for picnic wear.

Elbow sleeves being the coolest are worn on all the dresses this season.

Pink and blue polka-dotted stockings on a cream-colored gown are very much worn.

Bracelets made of all manner of fancy wood and shells are much worn by young ladies.

Large straw hats trimmed with French mud and caught by a silver dagger are fashionable.

White birds look very jaunty when placed on the rolled English turbans, which are so popular at present.

All about the muff: A muff is described as a thing that holds a girl's hand and doesn't squeeze it. The definition is almost correct.

Bangs are worn very fluffy and almost down to the eye-brows. To make them fluffy, wash them every evening in soap and warm water.

All women are not natural musicians and yet the majority of them can play chords on that most popular wind instrument—the fan.

The bully of Sioux City is a woman weighing 220 pounds, and she distinguished herself by assaulting and knocking down a man a few days ago.

Silk gloves that have been worn out at the finger tips may be converted into mitts by cutting off each end and stitching up the first joint and hemming the edges.

An Indiana woman gave up a trip to California, sold her ticket for half price, and returned home from the railroad station on learning that she could not have her pet dog with her in the car.

Holding two bundles, and a fan and a parasol, while hunting for a nickle in a pocket book that must be in the bottom of a bag, will keep a woman busy for some minutes in a street car.

"Do you believe that a woman, nowadays, would die for the object of her love?" asked a bachelor friend of a young girl who had just said she would die for her love. "No, but I know her to go wild when the trimming didn't suit her."

Pretty dresses for girls are of gray-blue laced with white lace, and accompanied by hats trimmed with white lace and yellow luteceps. A bunch of buttercups will, of course, be carried at the belt.

Some very pretty and unique pins are made of silver in designs of sailor knots, poke bonnets, Louis XVI. slippers, miniature bathing suits, canoes, divy trees, and tennis rackets. A girl must have at least a half dozen of them to be in the fashion.

A Philadelphia girl complains that she got into such a chill while out sleighing last winter that she has been ever since. Experience teaches a dear school. Next time she will know enough not to go sleighing with her own brother.

"I detect slang phrases," said an old lady to the pastor "especially when used by women. Why, the other day I heard a girl say that she had flirted with a fellow, and made a 'mash.' She thought I didn't know what it meant but I tumbled to it all the same."

The caramel cigarette is becoming a favorite among the young ladies at our summer hotels. The tobacco is ingeniously introduced into a cavity in the caramel, and the fair devotee of the weed may get to leeward of any male smoker, and indulge her taste without danger of being observed.—Puck Magazine.

A girl with singularly arched eyebrows attracted attention, and, as her hair was pulled back hard from her forehead, an observer guessed that the taut skin was responsible for the peculiarity. "You're wrong entirely," said his companion; "she's wearing what the girls call 'surprised eyebrows.' It's done with a touch or two of black pigment. That's going to be the rage."

A self-acting sofa, just large enough for two, has been invented. If properly wound up it will begin to sing a wailing ball just before 10 o'clock. At 10:10 it splits apart, and while one half carries the daughter of the house up stairs the other half kicks her young man out of doors. They will come high, but people must have them.—Chicago News.

A decidedly dresy and trim finish to a lady's summer toilet is a handsome pelerine covering the neck and shoulders. It is of fine white silk chenille, with a fine fringe made in hairpin work, with silk or chenille fringes to match. It can be made of white to be worn over any dress of a pale tint matched to one certain toilet.

Black will be high vogue for the two coming seasons, both in thick and thin materials, and many superb evening dresses are being made of this sombre hue, embellished with a profusion of jet beads, gold trimmings or colored flowers. An immense quantity of lace will be worn as trimmings, and the magnificent bead garnitures—tabliers, panels, applique bands, laces, and fringes—become more and more elaborate, each new design being more intricate and beautiful than the last.

The tight-lacing young lady, Richard A. Proctor thinks, is after all, the fit partner for the mate of her kind. Pinched waists and shallow brain parts should marry, and intermarry till waist and brain grow broader and shallower to the vanishing point. As young ladies more or less tightly laced, and young gentlemen more or less empty-headed, happen to be the rule, the prospect of civilization mankind under the Proctorian law of developments are not of the brightest.

A Dakota schoolmistress sued three young men for breach of promise. Counsel for one of the defendants made a somewhat remarkable ground that she was too pronouncing. The court seemed disposed to grant the motion, whereupon the plaintiff asked:

"Judge, did you ever go to a dancing?" "His honor's eyes lighted up with the pride of a sportsman as he answered:

"Well, I should say so; and many's the time that I've brought down a dozen at a shot."

"I know it," eagerly added the fair plaintiff; "that's just the case with me, judge. A flock of those fellows besiege me and I winged three of them. The motion for a nonsuit was denied."

THE CYCLOPS OF ALL EYES AT A RECENT fancy ball at the Commodore Hotel, in London, the niece of Mr. Lowell. The most wonderful things about Miss Emerson were, it seems, the shoes she wore upon her tiny feet, adorned with the most costly and richly jeweled yellow Spanish velvet, with high French heels, and laced up the side. The eyelets for the cords to pass through were studded with solid gold, and to the side of each was set a precious stone—a ruby, then a sapphire, then an emerald, then an opal, and over again in the same order, the top of the shoe was finished in the same fashion, and in front were sixteen tiny gold chains, caught by a cluster diamond pin.

MUSICAL AND DRAMATIC.

And now Chicago is to have the Thomas orchestra for five weeks of summer night concerts.

Alice Oates and her company are having a season of comic opera at Spanish Fort, New Orleans.

Miss Fanny Davenport will appear in "Federalists" at Haverly's Fourteenth Street Theatre, on October 1.

Mr. Wallace's company is making a great success with "The Silver King" at Haverly's Theatre, San Francisco.

Julius Bruns Booth, who retired from the stage some years ago, now keeps a hotel at Manchester, near Boston.

The free concert given on the Boston Common by the city are extremely popular. The orchestra of fifty musicians is led by J. T. Baldwin.

Fred B. Ward begins his third annual starting tour under the management of John J. Collins, at the Grand Opera House, Detroit, August 27.

Miss Annie Louise Cary-Raymond, who, last season, has for twenty years been making once or more appearances in the Philharmonic concert at Brooklyn, has refused an offer