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WHO DOUBTS.

Who doubts there is a God on high,
 Eternal in his might,
 Would doubt the forming of the earth,
 Or sun that gives us light;
 While all the brilliant orbs that shine—
 The worlds on worlds on high—
 Are showing forth His mighty works
 Of earth, and sea, and sky.

Infinite then must be the mind,
 That hath created all:
 Omnipotent must be the voice,
 That doth the planets call.
 And who could frame this wondrous world,
 Too great for sceptic theme,
 With all its vast sublimity,
 If not the Great Supreme?

Inspired as if with light and life
 In sacred epistles plain,
 Showing to all His matchless power,
 And what is done for man.

Yet there is none can comprehend
 The wonders that appear,
 Or how this marvelous world was formed
 And placed within its sphere.

How all the trees and plants have grown
 Upon the teeming earth,
 With all the living, breathing things,
 That must have had their birth,
 And all the lovely forms we see,
 That gladden heart and eye,
 Proclaim there is a mighty God,
 A power that cannot die.

Then what have infidels to say?
 Religion they o'erthrow;
 They have no God, no heaven, no hell,
 And spurn at faith we know.
 What we think para they throw aside,
 With all for which we live;
 Their lives are spent in puffing down,
 And nothing do they give.

Who then can doubt there is a God,
 With attributes so great;
 So far above the human mind,
 Man cannot contemplate,
 But it will come when every tongue
 Shall bless and praise His name;
 Who all unchanged by endless time,
 Is evermore the same.

—ANDREW EDIE.

Our Washington Letter.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec 17, 1880.

The Democratic majority in the House are in great trouble at the stand taken by the Republicans in regard to the electoral joint rule. They feel that the Republicans have managed to put them in a position where they must fight to the bitter end, or they must back squarely down, and let the regular work of the session be transacted. They had prepared a well laid trap, and hoped even before opposition was manifested, that by the previous question, they would gag the minority and pass the resolution in the first week of the session. They have said, and still say, that the rule can in no way affect the counting of the votes for General Garfield, or change the already declared result of the election. If that is true, not one of their leaders has been able to answer satisfactorily the inquiry, why the public is thrust aside and such strong efforts made to pass the resolution. The Republicans do not propose to give them a weapon to beat out their own brains, they do not propose to allow, if they can help it, the passage of a rule that will put it in the power of the majority to throw out the vote of a State upon the flimsiest pretext of irregularity, and thus throw the election into the House, and make Hancock, instead of Garfield President. The party which has elected General Garfield, and who are now in the majority, if they were coming with such free and easy, would have been glad to have secured the vote of the count of the own. I need not say what so those appreciate their success.

tion on the 11th inst. of the Secretary of the Navy, leaves two vacancies in the Cabinet. Speculation as to who may be appointed to the positions are very brisk, but so far I hear no name mentioned.

To-day General Grant visits the Capitol for the first time in life as a citizen, and also the first time since he was President. The Boys in Blue will, to the number of almost 200 receive him at the depot, and escort him to the residence of General Beale, whose guest he will be during his sojourn in Washington, which will be two or three weeks. A serenade will be given the General on his way to the city, when we may be expected to be treated to one his inimitable short speeches, for which he is distinguished. To say that his reception here by all classes will be sincere, warm, and hearty, is to but faintly express the esteem in which he is held. His reception will be an ovation.

MAXWELL.

News Items.

Madam Thiers, widow of the eminent French statesman, died on Sunday last in Paris.

Ohio modesty in the matter of office seeking is charmingly exemplified in this remark of a Lancaster, O., editor when interviewed as to his preference on the Senatorship: "My programme would be to put Sherman in the Senate, Taft on the Supreme bench, Matthews in the Treasury Department and so reserve Foster for Pendleton's seat, and if there is another place on the Supreme bench for an Ohio man, West would fill it admirably." If Ohio don't see what she wants she has only to ask for it.

Reporters are proverbially imaginative, although perhaps there is some injustice done them by the epithet. They have keen eyes for the motives of the movements of distinguished men, who are often at loss for an answer to the question why—and so forth General Grant has so last solved the difficulty. An inquisitive Baltimore reporter asked him why he was going to Washington just now, and the General replied affably "Because I want to." That settled it. The reporter asked no more questions.

In an address to the "Boys in Blue," at Washington, Tuesday evening, among other good things, Gen. Grant said:

Since I left this city it has been my good fortune to have traveled a great deal and to meet a great many of our countrymen. I have met our countrymen in every country that I have visited. In Europe, in Asia and in Africa I have met the boys who wore the blue, and as a rule I found them maintaining the honor and dignity of their native country. I met none of them anywhere who were ashamed of their country or who elevated any country above their own. To my sorrow, however, I am compelled to say I did meet some Americans abroad who magnified the virtues of the foreign countries in which they were and belittled the virtues and institutions of their own country. Speaking to them they would say, "I am very little of my own country, if they were coming with such free and easy, would have been glad to have secured the vote of the count of the own. I need not say what so those appreciate their success."

HOLIDAYS

The holiday season is at hand and you are thinking of presents for relations and friends. As a general thing you want to make substantial gifts this year, because first, we are expecting a severe winter and such presents will be better appreciated, and because you haven't the extra money to invest in fancy and ornamental goods. Therefore we wish to call your attention to such goods in our stock as would be suitable for holiday presents.

KNIT JACKETS,

Excellent gifts to father, brother, or son. We have them from extra thick all wool, at \$3. down.

READY MADE CLOTHING,

In suits or parts. If we haven't in stock just what you want we will get them from the city for you; or if more agreeable, send you to our house in the city where you can choose from an immense stock.

BOOTS AND SHOES

Give your boys their first pair of boots this year, for they are going to have snow to run through this winter, but be sure and get the best stock such as we have.

Also very best stock in heavy, and calf goods men's and boy's sizes.

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Soft hats, and stiff hats, gaiter caps, and rough caps.

Well, we have lots of goods suitable for presents. Call and see us, and be convinced.

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If for gentlemen's goods, write for Price List No. 3. In either case you will receive the book by return mail. It tells how to get goods from the city cheaply, quickly and safely, with privilege of return and refund of money if not satisfied in every particular. The distance makes no difference. We send goods and samples to every State and Territory.

December and January. Though scarce the winds may blow, And hazy mists drift all the snow, The best days of all the year, Then winter, and the best of cheer, December, December.

The frost may whiten the pane, The fire shall thaw it again, December, December, They cherish the day that keeps bright, Though short the day and long the night, December, December.

Then merrily ring the bells In rhythmical peal that tells— December, December— Of joys to the sick and poor, And gifts of love at each household door, December, December.

To the old, long life and treasure, To the young all health and pleasure, To the fair their love, With eternal grace, And the soul to be lived at pleasure.

A truce to care, To gloomy musing on the past; New days are on your track; You're twelve months older than you were, Be wiser then! time flies so fast, 'Tis useless looking back.

BOTH SIDES OF THE STORY. HER SIDE.

An expostulation from my aunt, and a frown from my cousin John; but, unheeding, I continue my remarks in my life. To think of calling him a hero—that weakly, delicate-looking cripple!

"Oh, might, might, how coming!" It is a warm, warm, warm we are all out upon the veranda; my cousin is swinging lazily to and fro in a hammock which is suspended from the eaves of the porch, and from his elevated position, he has been able to see the slow approach along the walk by the side of the house of the individual under discussion. Can he have heard? For once my self-possession entirely deserts me, and I sit with crimsoned cheeks, down-dropped, frightened eyes, ashamed of myself, and deservingly so; for have I not spoken slightly of a guest, and my cousin's dearest friend?

he meant? My mirror does not possess a like gift with the ancient oracle, and I turn away unheeded and unheeding. My mirror does not possess a like gift with the ancient oracle, and I turn away unheeded and unheeding.

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GLEANNING FROM EXPERIENCE. Mrs. Henry Ward Beecher gives the following information to the Household.

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THE REPUBLICAN. SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14, 1900. HAMMONTON ROOMS, 211 N. MARKET ST., HAMMONTON, N. J.

LOCAL MISCELLANY. Who is to give that New Year's ball? Monday's horse-race is an excellent treat, and a cheap one, too.

Call at Jackson's meat market; next week, and see his Christmas Eve. Miss Anna Pressy has withdrawn from the employ of the Hess Opera Company.

We had the pleasure of meeting Mrs. Regan, of the Democrat, on Monday last. Mr. Hartwell sells the Singer sewing machines, and repairs any kind, at 211 Darwin's Block.

Vaccinations are in order. Runners of amputees pass in Berlin and Waterloo, and have returned in this section. Mr. Jaback is suffering with a cold, and has a very sore throat.

Mr. Jesse Down, father of L. A. Down, County Clerk, died at his residence, in South Vista township, on Monday last. Burial was on Tuesday.

Our general dispenser of pork and beef, M. J. Jackson, does not intend to do anything this time. He commences on Monday, to fill his spacious ice-house with a superior quality of ice.

The Baptist Sunday School will, by invitation, spend Christmas Eve at the house of L. Hoy, on Main Road. A Christmas tree will be provided, refreshments served, and a pleasant time generally is expected.

Dr. Bowles and family left, Monday, for a ten days' visit among friends. The Rev. J. B. Adams will preach in the Presbyterian Church to-morrow morning.

Our teachers and scholars have but one week's vacation, this year, as Christmas and New Year's day come on Saturday.

Last Friday a way train on the Atlantic City Railroad ran from Camden to Atlantic City in 77 minutes, including fifteen stops.

Mr. Van Doran brought to our house samples of mammoth sweet potatoes, and winter "crock-nuts," the other day—for which we say thank you.

The Millville Mutual Insurance Company are all liabilities are paid and a net surplus of \$30,000, plus them in good condition. Read their adv.

Don't allow our Library Association to drift into anything sectarian, nor, on the other hand, be "run" by an outside organization, and nothing be introduced to create dissension or unpleasant discussion.

Mr. John Scullin, on Basin Road, is in a state of excitement, and is making preparations for the "heated term."

Mr. H. M. Lowry will preach in the Baptist Church next Sunday morning, but not in the evening, as stated last week on account of the Sunday School Review being held in that church.

Do not punish your horse by thrashing a cold bit in his mouth these winter months. Take the front out of the bit before the first of the month. The cold bit produces irritation.

Among other attorneys at May's Landing, this week, was Chancellor Gray Judge Pannos, and James H. Soovel, of Camden. Mayor Stone, of Atlantic City, was there, of course.

The weather, this week, is somewhat remarkable for its mildness, in contrast to the severe cold of last week. We have had a number of very pleasant days, and bright moonlight evenings.

The Library meeting, at the school house, on Monday evening last, was well attended, and the ladies and gentlemen were present when Mr. Van Doran called the assembly to order.

Mr. Barrett is a committee of five appointed to receive contributions of books and money. Committee—Messrs. Barrett, Byrnes, Van Doran, M. J. King, Mrs. Edward Howardland.

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Call at Packer's for fresh Bread, Pies and Cakes. William Stewart has just received 40,000 Maine Cedar Shingles. All orders for shingles are invited to call and examine these before buying.

Any lady wishing to know of the merits of the Excelsior Kidney Pad, its action, etc., are referred to Mrs. William M. McKee, Photographer, Toledo, Ohio.—See Adv.

Call at Packer's for Figs, Raisins, Dates, and fresh baked Pies. NOTICE: Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the next Legislature of New Jersey, for the passage of an act to grant pension to Catherine Sherry, widow of David Sherry, deceased, a soldier of the war of 1812 of Elwood, Atlantic county, New Jersey.

Married. JESSUP-SNOWDEN—On December 13, 1899, at the residence of the bride's parents, near Washington, N. J., by Rev. J. Gilson, Gentry, Pastor of the Church, Waterford, John Jessup and Helen Snowden.

BOWEN-LAKE—On July 26th, 1899, at the residence of the bride's parents, near Washington, N. J., by Rev. J. Gilson, Gentry, Pastor of the Church, Waterford, John Bowen and Helen Snowden.

REED-CARTY—On Oct. 23d, 1899, at the residence of the bride's parents, near Washington, N. J., by Rev. J. Gilson, Gentry, Pastor of the Church, Waterford, John Reed and Helen Snowden.

LEDES-BALANTINE—On Nov. 7th, 1899, at the residence of the bride's parents, near Washington, N. J., by Rev. J. Gilson, Gentry, Pastor of the Church, Waterford, John Ledes and Helen Snowden.

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COAL! Having established a coal yard on Beach Street, adjoining Anderson's Floor and Store, I shall be prepared at all times to furnish the best of Coal, 1 1/2 or small quantities, at the lowest rates. Orders will be attended to the business when I am absent. I am prepared, also, to take orders for Lumber, Marble, and Fish-Guns.

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Wax in the Ear.

This is regularly secreted, to protect the delicate mechanism from dust and insects, and to keep it supple. It should not, ordinarily, be cleaned out. A healthy ear takes care of itself.

But certain diseased conditions of the internal ear cause the wax to harden and accumulate, giving rise to serious brain symptoms. Among these are noises in the ear, which sometimes become converted into seemingly real voices, and lead to hallucinations and temporary insanity. A skilled physician, employing the hardened wax—and he alone can determine its existence.

Untaught children sometimes put into their ears beans, and other small bodies, around which the wax gathers and hardens. A little boy pushed beans into both ears. One was removed, but the other remained, the parents not being aware that there were two. During the young man's college course, brain disease developed, and he was forced to abandon his studies and take himself to farming. Subsequently the bean, surrounded with wax, was removed, and the symptoms in the main disappeared, but the man's prospects for life were ruined.

A lawyer, fifty-four years of age, was forced to abandon his profession, as it was impossible for him to hear either the judge or the witnesses. He was, at length, however, able to return to it, after the real cause of the difficulty was surmised, and the wax was removed with warm water injections.

Progress in American Telegraphy.

The annual report of the president of the Western-Union Telegraph company furnishes many figures of interest to others than the stockholders of the company. The latter, however, appear to have no reason to complain, the net profit of the company for the year footing up over \$5,000,000, the capital stock of the company being about \$41,000,000. The net profits for the fourteen years from 1866 to 1880 exceed \$45,000,000. The telegraph business of the year is represented by 29,215,509 messages, \$12,782,894.53 receipts, \$6,948,956.74 expenses, and \$5,833,937.79 profits. The company has in operation 85,645 miles of line, 233,534 miles of wire, and occupies 9,077 offices.

The new offices established and equipped during the year number 543. The number of messages sent was over 4,000,000 more than the year before. The increase in mileage of wire was 22,130 miles; the increase in miles of pole lines was 2,658. The ratio of expenses was 54.3-10 per cent. of the receipts, against expenses of 56.3-10 per cent. the previous year, and 63.9-10 per cent. the year preceding that, and the cost per message reduced to the average of 23.3-10 cents, against 23.1-10 cents the previous year, 25 cents the year preceding that, and 29.8-10 cents the years ending in 1877.

Altered Times.

In the year 1671, on the second reading of a bill in the house of commons or building a bridge over the Thames, at Putney, after a number of members had delivered speeches in ridicule of the idea, Sir Henry Herbert, just before the house divided, rose and said: "I honestly confess myself an enemy to monopolies; I am equally opposed to mad, visionary projects; and I may be permitted to say, that in the late king's reign several of these thoughtless inventions were thrust upon the house, but were most properly rejected. If a man, sir, were to come to the bar of the house and tell us that he proposed to convey us regularly to Edinburgh, in coaches, in seven days, and bring us back in seven more, should we not vote him to Bedlam? Surely we should, if we did him justice; or, if another, that he would sail to the East Indies in six months, should we not punish him for practicing upon our credulity? Assuredly, if we served him rightly." The journey from London to Edinburgh is now accomplished in something like eleven hours. What would Sir Henry think now, could he arise from his grave?

Lost \$4,500 Because He Didn't Read the Newspapers.

A man named Demarest, from Englewood, N. J., had \$4,500 of Hackensack commission bonds which were due on November 1. The commission gave notice through the papers that those bonds must be presented at the bank of Bergen county for redemption on the first of November. They were not presented, and after the bank failed the bonds were presented to the commission for redemption. The clerk of the commission refused to take them, because he claimed the commission had the money.

Old-Time Spelling.

A letter four hundred and two written by a boy in Eton

Tombstone Literature.

The inscription of the New York Sun, which is a very considerably, says: "Rude Boreas' winds and Neptune's waves Have tossed me to and fro; By God's decree, you plainly see, I'm harbored here below."

It was the old-time practice here to tell how the deceased person lost his life; hence I find in this cemetery scores of graves with the inscription after the names and dates:

Killed by a whale.

One stone says that the grave's occupant was "Shot by a gun," and another man I find "died by lightning." A handsome shaft stands in Sag Harbor cemetery, erected to the memory of sailors killed by whales. On one side of the monument is a cut representing a whale striking a small boat with his flukes, and a number of sailors trying to escape. Out on Block Island I found this over a sea captain:

He's done a catching cod And gone to meet his God.

In New London, Conn., is a lot containing five graves, those of a man and his four wives. The women's form four sides of a square, and the man's is in the center, while the inscriptions are as follows:

My I. wife. My II. wife. Our Husband. My III. wife. My IV. wife.

From a tombstone in the same county I copied the following on a slab over a fat man:

Beneath this monumental stone Lies half a ton of flesh and bone.

A gravesite at Silver Lake, Washington county, N. Y., bears this testimony: Elizabeth McFadden, wife of David S. Field, Died Feb. 28, 1869, in her 47th year. She never done a thing to displease her husband.

At Fairfax, Va., over the remains of a young man accidentally shot:

O fatal gun, why was it him? That you should kill so dead? Why didn't you go off a little higher And fire above his head?

A Pennsylvania Diana.

In the midst of a large forest, five or six miles back of this village, lives Henry Merrill, a well-known hunter and trapper. He has but one companion in his solitary abode—a dog, named about eighteen years. Little Merrill can row a boat, shoot a gun or trap a bear as well and skillfully as any man in the county of Wayne. A day or two ago she started to cross a large inland lake, on the borders of which her home is located, in a light skiff. She carried, as was her custom, a small rifle slung across her shoulder by a leather strap. She was paddling along leisurely, and when nearly half way across the pond discovered an object moving in the water, and, upon approaching closer, found that it was an immense five-pronged buck, which had been driven into the water by dogs. She immediately drew her rifle and, after taking careful aim, fired. As she pulled the trigger the buck made a sudden movement, and the ball, instead of reaching its mark, entered the animal's neck, making an ugly and painful wound. The buck, enraged by the pain, struck at the boat with one of its forelegs, shattering the frail bark in pieces. The boat sank at once, leaving Miss Merrill in the water with the struggling and infuriated animal. But she was plucky and could swim. She grasped the buck by the horns and deliberately drawing her hunting knife, which was as sharp as a razor, from her belt, she plunged it into the deer's neck, killing him almost instantly. She then swam ashore, about an eighth of a mile, and hurried home, where she put on dry clothing and, after procuring another boat rowed out to where the dead buck was floating and towed the animal to shore. When dressed the buck weighed more than 975 pounds, and was the finest one killed in this section for years. This is the eighteenth deer Miss Merrill has killed, and she is proud of her last adventure, which is the most thrilling one she has ever had. She intends having the head stuffed, as a memento of her struggle for life. Miss Merrill is a very good-looking, worth money and is well educated. She keeps up her Diana-like pleasures her. Her father has been into a more civilized life and will not hear of any such things. (Pa.) Letter to

TIMELY TOPICS.

The desirability of some form of government for Alaska begins to receive attention at Washington. A bill, prepared by Mr. Converse, chairman of the House committee on lands, provides for a governor, a council of six members and a judge. The only semblance of government in the purchase at present is the orders of the revenue collector and the fur company. Mr. Converse has become convinced that the undeveloped wealth of that country is incalculable.

The records of the trotters as made up for 1880 mark the past season as the most remarkable on record. Two hundred and sixty-six horses are named that trotted in 2:30 or better in 1880. Of these, one hundred and thirty-four were new to the turf at the opening of the year, seventy-two reduced their previous records and sixty did no better than in previous years. But the most notable event of the year was the achievement of the unequalled time of 2:10 1/4 by the six-year-old Maud 'S. Twenty-three horses now on the turf made a record of 2:30 or better during the past season. It is confidently expected that the record of Maud 'S. will be beaten in 1881.

Consul Duncan, of Naples, says that next to the Irish and Germans no people in Europe are more inclined to emigration to the United States than the Italian peasantry. Various causes are operating to induce this movement, chief among which are the present oppressive system of taxation and the desire to avail themselves of the superior opportunities to better their condition and obtain more complete liberty and a better education for their children.

The Russians are about to establish a Greek-Russian church in San Francisco. A priest has been selected by the Russian synod, who will soon leave St. Petersburg for California, accompanied by deacons, acolytes and a full choir. Five thousand rubles have been appropriated for preliminary expenses, and the funds needed for the building of a church will be supplied when the mission is ready to start.

The inventive genius of a Scotchman has, if we are to believe the Scotch papers, found a way to accomplish something which man has never before dreamed of doing, namely, calming the stormy sea. Mr. Shields, of Perth, has invented a way of stilling the waves of the ocean, and is putting it into successful operation. He sinks bottles filled with oil; the bottles are opened by a process devised by the inventor, and the oil, ascending to the surface, stills the waves, thus reducing the proverbial "pouring oil upon the troubled waters" to practice. The invention has been tested at Peterhead with, it is said, amazing success. The Scotch papers are full of it. The invention may not be practicable upon the high seas, where a vast quantity of oil would manifestly be required to still a dangerous storm, but if the claims of Shields, the inventor, are genuine, it could be made very useful in calming open roadsteads or illy-sheltered harbors.

Advertising.

A correspondent of the Newspaper Reporter says: The man who says he doesn't believe in advertising is doing just what he depreciates. He hangs coats outside of his door, or puts his dry goods in his windows—that's advertising. He has printed cards lying on his counter—that's advertising. He sends out drummers through the country, or puts his name on his wagon—that's advertising. He labels the articles of his manufacture—that's advertising. If he has lost his cow he puts a written notice in the postoffice, or tells his sister-in-law—and that's advertising, too. He has his name put up in gilt letters over the door—that's advertising. He paints his shop green or red; or if a doctor, he has his boy call him out of church in haste; if an auctioneer, he bellows to attract the attention of passers-by; if a heavy merchant he keeps a large pile of boxes on his sidewalk in front of his store—and all for advertising. A man can't do business without advertising, and the question is whether to call to his aid the printing press with its thousands of messengers working night and day, the steam engine adding to its repeating capacity untold power and miraculous speed; or, rejecting all these, go back to the days when newspapers, telegraph and railroads were unknown.

Emperor William as a Huntsman.

The Emperor William, of Germany, has returned from a hunting visit to Ludwigslust. One day a stag was driven past him. He fired, but the stag bounded away and was afterward found dead in the cover by the royal keepers. When the sport was over the emperor looked at the game laid out as having been shot by him, and, pointing to the stag, asked, with a smile, of the chief huntsman, if he had really shot that particular deer. "Most assuredly, sire," was the answer. "Good," rejoined the emperor. "Now let me tell you a little story. Last year I was deer-shooting in the Hartz, where everybody was extremely kind and polite toward me, as, indeed, is the case everywhere. When the first day's shooting was over, twenty-three full-grown stags were shown to me as my share in the sport. 'Did I shoot all these?' I asked the upper forester, who had charge of all the arrangements. He repeatedly assured me that I had shot them, every one. I could not help laughing as I told him that was very odd, for that, quite by chance, I had counted the cartridges I had fired. They were sixteen in number. How I managed to kill twenty-three deer with sixteen cartridges I must leave to him to explain."

The custom of using mistletoe at Christmas as a decoration is said to be one of the remains of the religious observances of the Druids.

For Little Soldiers.

Be brave little soldiers, Be ready for fight; Be bold and before you A foe is in sight. Beware of the pitfalls In ways yet untrod; Be true to your manhood, And so to your God.

You need for your weapons A heart that is pure; A will that is steadfast To do and endure; And hands that are willing Right bravely to work— Resolved, in the conflict, No duty to shirk.

Be vigilant, soldiers! Stand firm at your post; Strike blows at each evil— In wrong's mighty host. The enemy's crafty, In league with all sin; But the ranks of true manhood The battle will win.

—Eben E. Rexford, in Golden Days.

HUMOROUS.

Peddlers belong to the pack-age, and nice young ladies to the smack-age.

Of interest to mothers—A switch in time saves nine.—Yonker's Statesman.

We keep putting it off from day to day—Our necktie.—New York News.

If you want to appreciate the genius of Shakespeare put yourself in his plays.

Jimerax thinks a man is fortunate who has his will contested after death only. He says his will has been contested ever since he married Mrs. J.

A Baltimore clergyman recently preached on the subject: "Why was Lazarus a beggar?" We suppose because he didn't advertise.—Burlington Hawkeye.

It is a fortunate thing for Shakespeare that he established a solid reputation before the newspaper critics of America had a chance to cut him up.—New Orleans Picayune.

"Annie," said a fond husband to his wife, "what were the current expenses for last month?" "Oh," she answered, "only twenty-eight cents." "Why, how was that?" "Well, you see I only baked cakes twice and therefore used very few currants."

Punctuality.

It is astonishing how many people there are who neglect punctuality, and thousands have failed in life from this cause alone; it is not only a serious vice in itself, but it is the fruitful parent of many other vices, so that he who becomes the victim of it gets involved in toils from which it is almost impossible to escape. It makes the merchant wasteful of time; it saps the business reputation of lawyers, and it injures the prospect of the mechanic, who might otherwise rise to fortune; in a word, there is not a profession, not a station in life, which is not liable to the canker of the destructive habit. It is a fact not always remembered, that Napoleon's great victories were won by infusing into his subordinates the necessity of punctuality to the minute. It was his plan to maneuver over large spaces of country, so as to render the enemy uncertain where he was about to strike a blow and then suddenly to concentrate his forces and fall with irresistible power on some weak point of the extended lines of the foe. The execution of this system demanded that each division of the army should arrive at the specified time punctually; for, if any part failed to come up, the battle was lost. It was by imitating this plan that the allies finally succeeded in overthrowing the emperor. The whole Waterloo campaign turned on these tactics. At Mt. St. Jean, Blucher was punctual, while Grouchy was not; and the result was that Napoleon fell and Wellington triumphed.

In mercantile affairs punctuality is as important as in military. Many are the instances in which the neglect to renew an insurance punctually has led to serious loss. With sound policy do the banks insist, under the penalty of a protest, on the punctual payment of notes, for were they to do otherwise, commercial transactions would fall into inextricable confusion. Many a time has the failure of one man to meet his obligations brought on the ruin of a score of others, just as the toppling down in a line of bricks of the master brick, causes the fall of all the rest. Thousands remain poor all their lives, who, if they were more faithful in their word, would secure a large run of custom, and so make their fortunes. Be punctual if you would succeed.

Butter at Forty Dollars a Pound.

Gilholly strayed into De Smith's grocery yesterday, accompanied by his dog. Suddenly the grocer cried out, as if in great pain:

Your blame dog has eaten up two pounds of nice fresh country butter." "Well, if it don't hurt the dog it's all right, but I want you to understand he is a valuable dog, and if he dies you will have to pay about \$40 a pound for that oleomargarine."—Galveston News.

The section hands near Rock Rapids, Ill., discovered the head of a calf protruding from a snow-drift the other day. Upon shoveling it out the critter proved to be alive and immediately began eating. It belonged to Hoyal Oleson, and had been tightly bound up by the drift for ten days.

The Prince of Wales, who is now thirty-nine years old, is understood to be much discouraged by the financial strait into which he has come. It was rumored that the queen had sent him a check for \$10,000 as a birthday present, but the rumor was unfounded.

The estimated crop of flaxseed raised in this country this year is 3,000,000 bushels.

