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A SALVE FOR BAD CUTS. The whole carefully compounded and put up expressly for Family Use. BY OUR SERIES EDITOR.

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IMPORTANT MEETING OF THE CONTROLLERS OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

A very interesting meeting was held last Thursday in the Directors' Room of the Insane Asylum, for the purpose of taking into consideration the subject of having the newspapers read in the Public Schools, instead of the oldfashioned books now used, such as the different "Readers," stale "Histories," and accounts of nations now dead or half dead. The various ologies now studied, and descriptions of extinct monsters (particularly the pre-Adamite insects), so haunt the minds of our children with their terrible images that an ordinary nightmare is a HXHIV.

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The Rev. D. Mare

was called to the chair. On taking it (which he did very gracefully by the arm), he said he hoped to see the time when the papers, particularly such papers as the National Dipist, and other live papers, would occupy our children's attention. He was of the opinion that the proceedings of the different religious bodies was a thing which our children at present were very ignorant of.



Mr. P. Green

said he had been a member of the Board for many years, and had seen there was something wanting in the children. He once made the suggestion, on his own account, that the Dally Noose be served regularly to all the schools. (Great laughter.)



most influential, and generally were a better index of the public taste. He would name, as meeting the case, The Catholic Unicorn, a weekly published right in our midst.



was surprised at this beating around the bush and no conclusion come to. No one would like to see the newspapers in the Public Schools more than he, but let them be such as were appropriate. Are our children to grow up without any minds of their own? Form them with opinions as are opinions. There is the New York Daily Tribulation, or, for children with opposite politics, there is Pomeroy's Daity Brickbol, a paper of a decided character (a voice, "But a decided bad character"); that may be, but how are we to appreciate light without darkness? (Applause.)



Mr. G. Ology

now rose and said he thought the meeting would spend all their time in talk, and do nothing, What we want is facts. If any gentleman has seen the Strata Review and Sandstone Journal, he has seen a specimen of a true paper, a type of which is seldom found out of the office. He would no more think of educating children without a knowledge of the oolite, lins, and red marls of his county than he would of letting them grow up without a knowledge of the general dip of the stratified coast of his own State. Yet he was sorry to say that very many of the children at our Public Schools have no more knowledge of the dip of their own county than they have of the comparative anatomy of a megatherium or a pterodactyle. When he thought of this he, like Jefferson, trembled for hls county.

At this stage of the proceedings.



The Series Editor

of THE EVENING TELEGRAPH reminded the gentlemen that the last car into the city would leave in a few minutes, and that they only had time to put one motion if they wished to take any decided position to-night. He would therefore move,

"That the newspapers be read in the Public Schools, as an experiment, once a week for six months, and the Supper Table Series every week be the subject for this experiment." The President put the question. One voice was heard "aye." As the "nays" were about being taken the

Mr. Punch and General Grant, From London Punch.

"Mn. PRESIDENT-RLECT, ULYSSES GRANT, of the United States of America, I congratulate you, sir, and the great American Nation, upon you, sir, and the great American Nation, upon your election to the throne of King George Washington, and, in this goblet of driest champagne, I wish yon a merry Christmas and a happy reign," said Mr. Panch. "Festive cuss !" said General Grant, smiling.

"Your name, my Ulysses," said Mr. Punch. pensively, "appears to me to be of good "Defy omens."

"Man of brevity (which is the soul of wit), net to say of silence (which is golden), you are right.

And I, too, hold her General's blade Columbia's omen and her aid. Nathless, Odysseus, a pleasing coincidence meriteth notice. There be points in the his-tory of your classic namesake which a West-Pointsman will recall, and which somewhat adumbrate your own history." "State 'em."

"Sir, thus. You did not desire to be employed in war, but like the King of Ithaca, when engaged, you showed the utmost sagacity, activity, and valor." "Too brown to blush."

"There is no need. Nextly, happier than some heroes, you were universally applauded by your countrymen, and rewarded with the arms of Achilles; that is, the most exalted military honor in the nation's gift." "Good again !"

"Ulysses, sir, was famous in connection with the horse. He valiantly carried away the horses of Rhesus, and he invented the horse that took Troy. I think, sir, that you are a great authority in the matter of horses." "Health, old hoss !"

"Thanks. Then, sir, in steering for the wished-for shore, I find that you stopped your ears to all Siren blandishment, did your best to prevent Windbags from blowing your vessel wrong, and escaped safely from republican Scylla and democratic Charybdis." "Classic cuss !"

"Again, sir, I find in your peculiarly wise dealing with the shoals of hungry beggars for office, the antitype of Ulysses smashing the Suitors."

"Blow em !"

"Further, sir, you have given a lesson to the Cyclops, or one-eyed people, who can see but one side of a question, and forget that a King, or President, must rule for all. That lesson was given by a hot pole, and there was never a hotter poll than at your election." "Playful cuss !"

"But, sir, your greatest similitude, save one, is in the fact that, like the Ithacan your namesake, you, inspired by Minerva, Goddess of Wisdom, 'resolved to give peace to the Tribes."

"Tot up." "Yes, sir, for here is your last and grandest similitude. Equally with Ulysses inspired by supernatural wisdom, you secretly departed for a gloomy region,

'Where, in a lonely land, and gloomy cells, The dusky nation of Britannia dwells. The sun ne'er views the uncomfortable seats, When radiant he advances or retreats. Unhappy race whom endless of refats. Clouds the duli air, and wraps them round with shades.

"In the dark, now. Where's that?" "Here," said Mr. Punch, mildly and forgiv-"Is not that the view taken by you ingly. Americans, and by the French, whom you adore so, of the mental and physical condition of this rotten, little old island ?"

"We have fools. Haven't you ?"

"Many, thanks be to the Parca, or how should the wise live ? Well, sir, you repudiate the description, but you accept the fact that you made a secret and mystic journey to consult Tiresias, the most profoundly wise creature in all creation, upon your future course. Tiresias, I need hardly add," said Mr. Punch, modestly, "is myself." "By Jove," said the President elect, jumping up classing his venerable friend's hand with

up, clasping his venerable fri one of his own hands, and raising high the goblet with the other, "you are Tiresias, and your baton is the staff which was given him by Minerva, when he lost his eyes for-"



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Mr. S. Malta

said he hoped the Sunday Thermometer would be added to the Ncose; that the present subjects of school reading were very di 4.



Dr. O. P. Dilldock

would move that the Monthly Purge and Lancet be added to the list. He had noticed, when he was a visiting county school director, many children over twelve years of age-an age at which all well-regulated railroad companies charged the same fare as for himself-that could not tell the difference between a "cataplasm" and the "spinal column." He would, therefore, like to see more attention given to Materia Medica, so that cases of Acute Pneumonia would be as familiar to children as trosted feet.



Mr. R. Gue

would ask why, if newspapers are to be read, we should be confined to the American papers? He would like see the Amerike Bolschafer, and occasionally the Yyulimorr Liweddd, a sprightly paper published at Gwynedd, in our State, read. He was sure there must be much in these learned periodicals that our children were unacquainted with; and why not? Let the thing be tried. Why not? He would like to hear from some gentleman. He was opposed to most anything for the sake of argument. Why not?



Mr. L. O'Quent hoped they would only suggest the papers with the largest circulation, because they were the

Series Editor cried out, "The last car !" causing a complete rush of the members out of the room.

The meeting then was considered adjourned, and the motion of the Series Editor unanimously carried.

A doctor, recently installed in a new house ou one of the new boulevards, Paris, received a visit from an unknown person.

"Mr. P-, being a neighbor, I have taken the liberty of calling on you." "Ah! you are-"

"Yes, sir. I have established myself on the floor below, and I have taken the great liberty to beg you to recommend me, when the occasion demands, to your patients," "Willingly; but what is your-"

"I have opened a mourning store."

A CANDID EFITAFH.-Tombstone inscriptions are generally accused of want of candor. The following lines, which are to be found on a stone in the churchyard of Darenth, near Dartfore, England, certainly do not err in that direction :--

Ob, the liquor he did love, but never will no more, For what he loved did tur a his f.e. For on the 28th January, 1741, that fatal day, The Debt he owed he then did pay."

AN ACCOMMODATING SERVANT .- A genileman addressed his servant, "James, I have always placed the greatest confidence in you; now tell me, James, how is it that my butcher's bills are so large, and I always have such bad dinners ?" "Really, sir, I don't know; for I am sure we never have anything nice in the kitchen that we don't send some of it up in the parlor."

A little girl was asked whether she could explain the meaning of bearing talse witness against one's neighbor. "Please, sir, when no one does nothing to nobody, and some one goes and tells on it."

The papers speak of a man who discovered he is his own grandfather. That is nothing to what happened to a certain venerable friend of ours, who found out that he was an old womanand therefore possibly his own grandmother.

There was a ferryman whom some of his clas sical neighbors had entitled Charon. "Why do they call you Charon, Donald ?" inquired a passenger. "Weel, I suppose, because I take care on the boat, sir "

A lady in New York called at the shop of a maker of chimney ventilators to see if he had any contrivance which would make her husband stop smoking.

Some one who was swindled in the Nevada mines insists that the coat-of-arms of that State ought to be a sham rock and a lyre.

"How do you get that lovely perfume ?" asked one lady of another. "It's scent to me," was the reply.

Curious Anomaly—That bakers should always need bread;

What forts are the best for soldiers ?-- Comforts.

Bad Study for Artists-Daggers drawn. The End of all Love-The letter E.

"Never mind about that," said Mr. Punch. "I have not lost mine, and if you have studied my works, you will know that my peculiar gift is that I never see anything which true reverence forbids me to see."

"Right, Mr. Punch, and I would that all censors were as conscientious. I glory to know you, sir. I came by the cable, and I shall return the same way, for I cannot be bored with passenger chatter. I came to ask a favor."

"If possible, it is done. If impossible, it shall be done. That's the way to answer Queens and Presidents. Speak, Ulysses !" "Firstly, however, I want you to say some-thing civil for me to John Bull. Say that I have some more of that difficult steering to do, and that I may not at present see fit to express for him all the good feeling I enter-tain. But my watchword is 'Peace,' and Mr. Reverdy Johnson does but amplify the sentiments all really good Americans have for yon. In my name, if you'll be so good, return John Bull beat wishes for a happy Christmas, but give him a finger only, until-you compre-

hend ?" "Thus," said Mr. Punch, dashing off a sketch with Keene-like facility.

"Just that; bravo ! And now, old man, give me your Fifty-fifth Volume. "I foresaw your wish. It is here, inscribed

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Perhaps they didn't quaff and fume until a late hour ?

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