

Agricultural.

Humorous.

Hay and Haying.

The artificial production of hay is of comparatively modern origin. Red clover was unknown in England prior to 1838, and white clover was not introduced until the beginning of the eighteenth century.

An eagle shot in Wisconsin the other day was found to have two bullets in him. It must have been a bald eagle.

If the Turks are driven from Europe, will their old provinces be known as ex-Crescents?

"The Rhakodolophobos" is the name of a new style umbrella. The advantage of it is that nobody can ask to borrow it.

What a cold and miserable mockery are beautiful moonlight nights to the young man whose girl has just gone back on him.

The season is coming when the ice man's scales are affected by the frost, and a seven pound chunk falls them down to the ten pound notch.

There is nothing but a plain slab at the head of the mound, but the simple inscription upon tells its own sad story: "He was emphyse in a class game."

George Francis Train says a "new power has developed in which, greater than electricity or steam." Ah, ha, we know. Boil on the elbow.

The old gentleman who spent a fortune in endeavoring to hatch colts from horse chestnuts is now cultivating the egg plant with a view of raising chickens from it.

The Chicago base ball club has changed its name to "The Bass drum," because it is easy to beat.

Speaking of temperance in the Russian army an English exchange says: "There is no rum on the Danube." No, but there's Bin-gin on the Rhine for a long time past.

It embarrasses a boll to have the weaver strike against something two inches at the same time. It takes a lively boll to get around and hurt in both places, but it is done sometimes.

"If Smith undertakes to pull my ears," said Jones, "he will have his hands full, now." The crowd looked at the man's ears, and thought so, too.

An Onondaga county man has had all his teeth pulled to help him chew tobacco. This is on the principle in vogue among the Chinese where they cut off a boy's head to cure him of swearing.

Caution often averts danger. An uptown man who heard burglars in the house the other night woke up his wife and sent her down stairs for a drink of water and then crawled under the bed and wasn't injured in the least.

More amenities of Western journalism: "Who wouldn't be an editor?" asks the Lafayette (Ind.) Journal. "You wouldn't," replies an Illinois exchange, "if you tried a hundred years."

The banana season has set in, and good people in Rhode Island who rise early go out and collect the skins off their sidewalks and toss them over into Connecticut and Massachusetts, and then hurry back into the house before anyone looks.

An entire quart of whisky was consumed by a darkey before he fully recovered from the bite of a tarantula. It was then discovered that he had been stung by a wasp. The men who contributed the whisky were too mad to speak above a whisper.

Some of these farmers who are advertising Summer board must have been in New York at the unveiling of the Halleck statue. The New York papers, in describing the statue, say that "at the back of the chair is a rustic lyre."

A French paper makes the following odd correction of a previous statement: "Good News—the Professor Vallette, whose death was announced yesterday, was not the well-known lecturer on French law, but the doctor of that name." This was good news for the professor, but what about the doctor?

On the door leading into the gentlemen's waiting room at the Pennsylvania Depot, is posted a tract, the heading of which reads, "Are you prepared to die?" It strikes a man all of a heap, especially if he is going any distance on the cars.

The Georgia wild man has been seen again. He has grown four feet in height since last August and pulls up trees by the roots when anybody looks at him. He has apparently had his hair cut, as the trustworthy witness who saw him last says his hair reached to his knees, whereas last summer it dragged on the ground.

A Western paper has changed the original plan, and now says: "No communication will be published in this paper unless accompanied by the full name of the writer and a five dollar bill; these are not requested for publication, but as a guaranty of good faith."

San Francisco has a lover of the true old-fashioned sort. Being heavily fined by the police court for kissing his betrothed against her will, instead of breaking the engagement, he wrote: "Dearest, you will have to wait now, until I can borrow money enough to pay the minister."

Literary young man at party: "Miss Jones have you seen Crabbe's Tales?" Young lady, scornfully, "I was not aware that crab had tails." Young man, covered with confusion: "I beg your pardon, ma'am, I should have said, read Crabbe's Tales!" Young lady, angrily scrubs her head: "I was not aware that red crab had tails, either."

A professional gentleman of a Maine city, noted for his brusque manner, accosted one of his daughters on the street a day or two ago, and received a somewhat caustic reply, accompanied with a hurried movement toward home and a saucy toss of the head. The gentleman looked perplexed for a moment, and then exclaimed in a deprecating tone: "Well, go along—you are too much like your father for me to have anything to say to you!"

A gentleman observed an urchin who had a large slice of bread in his hand, and who was crying very bitterly. "My son," he exclaimed, "what are you crying about?" "My mother won't put any butter on my bread—hop-boo-hoo!" "Oh! is that all?" said the gentleman; "come, dry up your tears and be a man."

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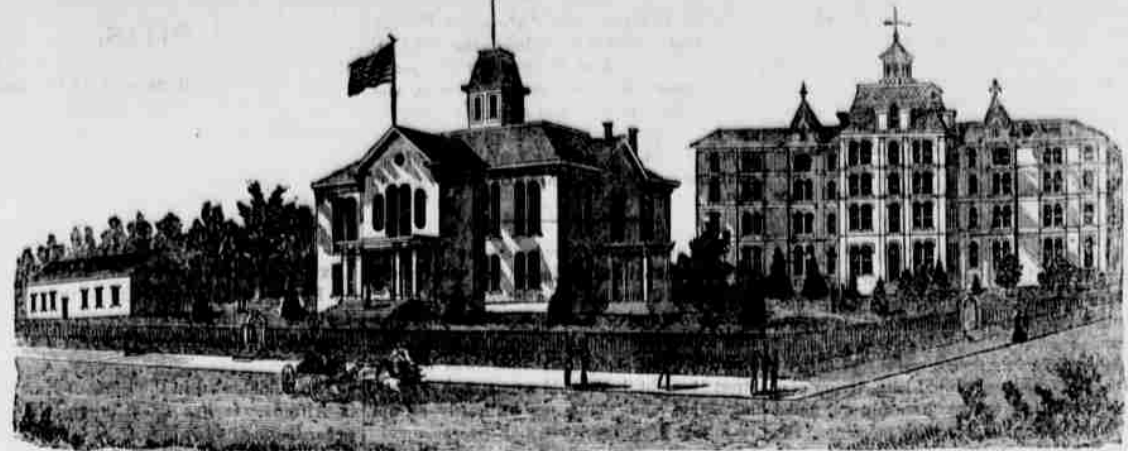
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