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BRIGHT MISCELLANY,

Star photography is one of the most tedious processes known. The bagpipe was in use 2,000 years before the Christian era.

In France male school teachers greatly outnumber the women.

An omnibus propelled by stored elec-tricity is in successful use in London. Why is the figure 9 like a peacock?

Because it's nothing without its tall. The annual value of the clothing made in the United States and Europe is estimated at \$2,250,000,000.

The motorman can truly be said to have his hands full. So for that mat-ter have the people who are suspend-ed from the straps inside the car.

Every Flemish town has a square called the "egg market," where on certain days the country people resort and offer their produce to the inhabitants.

When a nation has got a fine lot of battle ships, it very much resembles the small boy with his first pair of long_trousers—inordinately eager to try them on.

Millions of trees have been felled to the ground in Scotland by the recent great storm which swept over the United Kingdom. The Duke of Suth-erland lost about 500,000 trees of various kinds.

There were carried during the year ending June 30 over the principal rail-roads entering Boston 01,000,000 pas-sengers. They travelied a total distance of 1,227,602,300 miles.

Boston bids fair to be the first Amerlean city to have a voritable subway through one of its principal streets, al-though there are short tunnels in several cities of this country.

A bottomless hole has been discovered in Yellowstone Park. It is supposed to be a dry geyser. A weighted line was let down into it 3,000 feat without touching bottom.

If things continue to go on as they have lately, the Commercial Bulletin observes, there is a chance that there will be almost as many receivers as there are thieves in the railroad business.

It is said that one dollar a gross is paid for champagne corks which have been taken from quart bottles without the aid of a corkserew. They can be cut over by machinery into smaller corks, and the labels give them a spe-cial value. This will be a new source of revenue for the hotel waiter.

There are thousands of old apple trees in New England that are a nuisance. They yield no fruit, and serve as breeding-places for insects and worms. Apple-wood makes the best of fuel, and the New England Farmer says these old trees should all be con-verted into firewood before a stick of forest growth is cut.

MISSING LINKS.

The first telescope was probably used in England in 1008. An exchange of ideas always makes

intelligent people conservative. French is considered the best lan-

guage for jelephonic communication. The house property of Philadelphia annually increases \$39,000,000 in value.

There is no one who has not some cherished romance which gives a tinge of fancy to his life.

Next to an elevator, the ley sidewalk probably has the most to do with man's getting up in the world.

Prof. Vambery estimates that the English language is spoken by no less than 130,000,000 people.

Eugene Field's muse is concerned now chiefly with children. There are no more ditties to Della or amorous chantings of Lydia Dick, but in their stend Iuliables for Infants and valentimes for the little people of the kindergarten. The change is for the better, but it seems to indicate that the poet's dyspepsia is worse.

Samuel Nelson, of New York, was appointed Justice of the United States Supreme Court in 1845, and since that time New York has had continuously a representative in that tribunal until Mr. Cleveland went to Louislana for a Judge for the New York circuit, The first Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States was John Jay, a New Yorker,

An alleged French pairlot declares that at the time the victorious German army was in possession of Parls in 1871, the head of the great Napo leon was purchased from one Isidore Chapuls and carried off to Berlin as a trophy. The story is an unlikely one. but may suffice its author's Intention of exciting still more the passions of the French against the hated German.

The Constitutional Convention, which will soon assemble in Albany, will doubtless consider an amendment to the constitution which is being urged in some quarters providing that an agreement by nine out of twelve jurors shall constitute a verdict. Why should unanimity be required of a jury when it is not deemed necessary among judges of the Supreme Court or Court of Appeals?

The man among men who looks upon Lent with a face made long and solomn is the florist. During the early part of Lent the dealer in color and fragrance gealizes what an important factor in his business is the lady of fashion. He buys as few flowers as possible, and wraps the buds in tissue paper and packs them away close toother in his ice box. The florist's business declines 50 per cent. In the first thirty days of Lent, but he stands by and makes both ends meet as best he can until Holy Week, when his flowers sell among the fair of society like hot muffins among newsboys on a cold night.

Mr. George W. Childs Drexel, who has assumed the editorship of the Public Ledger of Philadelphia, is a man of medium height, with a smoothshaven face and the manners of a Philadelphia club man. He dresses with great nicety and is a member of nearly all the larger social organizations in the Quaker City. His mode of life, however, is hardly that of a club man. He is of the most pronounced domestic habits, and is rarely seen outside of his own house or office Even the theatres, which have alway been extensively patronized in Phila delphia by members of the Drexel famlly, have been ignored for several years by Mr. Child's successor.

A pathetic tale is that of a young woman in Newark, N. J., who ten years ago married the man of her choice and started in her new life under what seemed the happlest auspices, but she began using morphine and became a slave to the habit. Soon she began to drink. Her baby died, and despite her husband's entreaties, she went from bad to worse. Her passion for the drug was insatiable. and she pawned her own and her husband's clothes for money with which to satisfy her appetite. Then she left her home and became a wanderer. Her beautiful blonde hair was sacrificed when all other sources of revenue failed. A week ago she died in the City Hospital of Newark, and a search of her effects revealed only a little pair of her baby's shoes. She had lost her husband, home, child and life, yet kept those sacred.

HOW A TARIFF DEBATE SEEMS.

Senator Stanford's Little Story to Illustrate its Longth.

The late Senator Stanford used to tell a good story to illustrate the wearl-

ten a good story to illustrate the wearl-ness he felt at the eternal prolonga-ilon of debate on the tariff. "We had," he said, "a Quaker neigh-bor when I was a boy up among the stony hills of Albany county, N. Y. and he kept everything in apple-pie order around his place. His pride was his stone baru, next to that his house and other smaller halbilings, and then and other smaller buildings, and then his splendid stone walls around every Its spicial stone waits around every lot on his farm, which was a large one. All this stone came off his place. Every spring his boys were put to work early with the cattle and the stoneboat hauling rock either for fence or for some building. One year the old follow devided to hall a sear the old fellow decided to build a new and larger springhouse for his milk, and the boys and cattle went to work

hauling stone for it. "One day Cephas, the oldest boy, came in to say that they'd got stone enough hauled for the new springhouse.

"The old man put on his hat and

went out to see. "Thee thinks that is enough, Ce-phas? he said, as his gray eyes slowly wandered over the huge pile of rocks

"Yes, father,' said Cephas, "Yes, father,' said Cephas, "Well, my son,' replied the old man, thee is mistaken. Thee has not any-thing like enough. I'll tell thee how to know when thee has enough stone for

any building." "The boys all gathered around him. "It is this way, my lads. Thee must haul and haul until thee thinks thee has twice as many as thee thinks enough. Then thee should turn to and haul as many more. Then they may know pecisely where thee stands. They will then have just half enough stone hauled for the building." -- Washington Star.

Extortion Rebuked.

A lanky individual in a long and faded brown overcoat dropped into a restaurant on Dearborn street the other morning, took his seat at one of the tables, placed his hat on the floor by the side of his chair, and beckoned o one of the waiters.

"Got any stewed punkin?" he asked. "I think not," replied the walter "Got any fried onlons?"

"Biled turnips?"

"No. "What have you that a man can cat, unyhow?"

"Here's our bill of fare." "I can't read it without my specs, and I didn't bring 'em. S'posen' you was hungry yourself, what'd you want?"

Well, here's porterhouse steak, roast turkey with cranberry sauce, yeal cut-lets breaded, saddle of yenison, minced

me some pork an' beans and a cup of

me some pork an' beans and a cup of sassafrac tea, purty strong." "We haven't any sassafras tea." "Hain't got no sassafras tea? What kind of an eatin' honse are you run-nin'? Don't you know everybody ort to drink sassafras tea when the spring's comin' on? Kind o' thins the blood, like. How much do you charge for pork an' beans?" pork an' beans?"

"Twenty-five cents."

The stranger stooped and picked up his hat, put it on his head, rose delib-erately, and said to the waiter in a tone of withering rebuke: "Young man, when I want to git which on mark and any fill as to git

robbed on pork an' beans I'll go to first-class tavern and have it done in style. Any charge fur the time I've been settin' down here? No? Well, good-day."-Chicago Dally Tribune. THE BEDAL GOLD CURE INSTITUTE.



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GENERAL NEWS.

John Jay, who was appointed United States Minister to Austria by President Grant died in New York on May 6th,

The joint Christian Endeavor Societies of fontour and Columbia counties convene latawissa on the alternoon and evening of May 11th.

Eight orphans' court judges will be elected a our State this fall : One in Berks county, wo in Allegheny, one in Lazerne, and four in Philadelphia.

Orphans' Court Judge D. I., Rhone, of Wilkesbarre, it is claimed by his friends will be both nominated and elected to succeed himself in office this fall.

On May 3d \$1,500,000 in gold left New York for England on the Augusta Victoria. Of this amount \$920,000 was furnished by the Sub-Treasury in exchange for Treasury notes,

Preparatory to the fall campaign in Lu-erne county, Hon. J. Ridgway Wright has been chosen chairman of the Democratic ommittee, along with Hon, C. Ben. Johnion as secretary.

When the Democratic Senators agree to stand together and pass the tariff bill



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Street begging is said to average twenty-five cents an hour for the industrious Parisian beggar.

Since the United States began coining money 119,000,000 copper pennics have been lost to circulation.

"I am now," croaked the parrot, reaching for its mistress's costly bonnet, "about to put in a bill for damages.

Ornithologists are quoted as estimating the number of birds "annually sac-rificed to the vanity of the women of America at 8,000,000."

One of our school children was asked one day recently to name the largest river in Massachusetts. "Fall River," was her prompt response.

Kentucky, which passed a game law before there were 500 people in the then Territory, is still at it. It is now illegal to hunt on any enclosed land without permission.

As near as can be estimated by the Supreme Council officers, there are 146,974 members of the Royal Ar-canum in good standing. There are now 1,540 councils.

In the average ancient Roman house the fastening usually consisted of a bolt placed at the base of each half door, so that it might be pushed into a socket made in the sill to receive it.

POINTS ABOUT GIRLS.

Nobody has ever yet discovered a girl with a small waist who didn't think she could have it smaller without feeling uncomfortable.

Some girls take first-class happiness in having a burned finger, or a cold sore, or a sprained ankle, because it is so comfortable to receive sympathy.

It takes an artistic woman to hold up the skirt of a gown gracefully. Not one woman in ten can grab her dross so that it hangs prettily around the hem

When you see a girl with her hair all mussed up you must not think she has not combed it. It takes her many weary moments to fix it in that tangled fashion.

When a girl is ill she says that she'd give everything she owns to be well, and when she is well she scolds and frets because she can have only one new hat.

Whenever one girl tells another girl about her troubles with her dress-maker, the other girl has a tale of woo maker, the other girl has a tale of woo twice as long and twice as harrowing to tell in return.

The superstition regarding opals evi-ently has gathered itself together dently and shuffled off. Every girl that can scure an opal ring appears to be wear-g one just now.

It is a very easy matter to tell whether a girl is expecting a man or a girl caller. If a man is coming, she looks in a mirror every few moments. If it's a girl, she doesn't.

There is rather a fishy flavor to the story that is going the rounds of the press and being accorded considerable space which narrates how a certain alloged Prince of Nouri, a Chaldean Patriarch, was deprived of his liberty and confined in a California insand asylum through the conspiracy of cer tain persons. A list of the Patriarch' title reads thus: His Pontifical Eminence, the Jamorin Nouri, Chaldean Patriarchal Archdeacon of Babylon and Jerusalem, Grand Apostolle Am bassador of Malabar, India and Per sia, the Discoverer of Noah's Ark and the Golden Mountains of the Moon. etc., etc. It seems to us that we have heard of this Discoverer of Nosh's Arl and at the time of the "discovery considerable doubt, to use a mild term was expressed as to the claims of this "Prince." It will be well to be cau tious about accepting all the reports

in circulation about this person. The job of getting up the official reports of the Chicago Exposition, which will be printed at the expense of the Government, is a big one. Commissioner Tousley, who is one of the several men engaged upon it, says that the reports may be completed in a year, and that they will fill thirty oc tavo volumes of about 600 pages for each volume. A good many of these volumes are to be devoted to the speeches and essays at the various "congresses" held in Chicago at the time of the Exposition; and it can be said in advance that the volumes will contain a vast amount of literary rubbish, the like of which was never be-

fore printed under official authority at the expense of any country in all the world. That Chicago Exposition has proved

to be a costly business for the Government, but there may yet be instruction in it for those Congressmen who read the thirty octave volumes, copies of which are to be given to each of the members of both the Senate and the House.

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Going to Fix Him.

Parents cannot be two careful how they answer the apparently trivial questions of their children, says the Chicago Dispatch. It would almost seem as if a child's dictionary were a necessity of the age. Here is an illus tration: "Pa," said a little chap to his father,

'what does a man mean when he says, 'I'll fix you!' "Means that he'll do him up," an-

swered the father, briefly. "But then, what does 'do him up' mean?"

"Bother! You ask too many ques

tions, child. It means that he is going to kill him."

The little fellow was silenced for a time, but as events proved he thought over the subject. Soon after he was taken ill, and the

family doctor being away a strange physician was summoned. Left alone with him for a few moments the little fellow began to ask questions.

"Going to cure me, doctor?" he in quired.

'Yes, yes, my little man," said the

These yes, hy note many a dose. "I'm going to fix you." What was the doctor's surprise to see a small white-robed figure dari from the bed and make a bee line for the door, through which he disappear ed. The astonished medical man fellowed him, and found him sobbing in his mother's arms. To her he was relating his fears that the doctor intend ed to "fix" him in the sense that his father had defined the word a few weeks before.

Entitled to a Reference.

Mr. Hightone-My dear, you must send that new girl away at once. She is not fit to have around.

Mrs. Hightone-I will just as quick as I can write her a reference. "Reference? Do you mean to say

you intend to give a creature like that a reference? "Of course. How can I help it? If

I don't she'll tell everybody about the quartel you and I had last night and the-the way I talked to you."-Jour--the way I talked to you."-Journal Amusant.

A Case of Mum.

Strawber-Don't you think Miss Redbud is the most silent girl you ever SH W 2

Singerly—I don't know. What makes you think so? Strawber—Well, I asked her to marry

me the other night, and she hasn't spoken to me since.-Detroit Free Press.

A Plea.

action may be expected. Until they can agree among themselves it is idle to talk about voting upon the bill at any given time. 믭

All indications point to the inevitable col-lapse and failure of the Reading Railroad, All hope of relief from mortgage bond-hold-ers is given up. Money is needed, no matter as to wealth apparent and undeveloped, and it is needed at once.

time.

We have the word of Senator Harris for

We have the word of Senator Harris for it that the tariff bill will be passed early in fune. The opposition of Senator Hill counts for nothing it is said, as the bill with the in-come tax feature adhering can be passed with Hill's vote cast against it.

On the 3d of May there was another so vere shock of earthquake at Athens, Greece It was felt in nearly all the districts that ha previously suffered. A somewhat singular feature of these recent earthquakes is the opening of about a hundred hot springs. Th temperature of the water coming from them is from 115 to 180 degrees Fahrenheit.

A desperate riot took place on the 4th inst. in the Connellaville coke region in which Slav women took a lively hand. The atrikers were shot down by deputies. As a result 4 Slavs were killed, and about 15 were seriously wounded. The superintendent of the paint works was fatally wounded and a oak-keeper seriously hurt.

The motion for a new trial in the Pollard-Breckinridge case was over-ruled by Justice Bradley, and thirty days were given the wounded Congressman from Kentucky, to file his bill of exceptions But judgment for the amount awarded was formally entered caring date the 28th of April.

The World's Fair buildings were sold to Graff & Co. of Chicago, for \$87,500. The will be torn down and the material that on tered into the temporary make-up of these beautiful palaces will soon find their way in-to old lumber yards, junk shops, rolling mills, &c. It is nore than likely Graff & lo, will get their money back and realize handsome percentage besides.

called to assemble in convention in New Orleans. The purpose being to secure the election of Senators by the Legislature favorable to the sugar interest, and to pledge them and Louisiana Representatives to vote against the Wilson Lill. A large portion of the planters, however, are in favor of the Wilson bill and consequently opposed to the against the Wilson bill.

At the Convention of the Susquehanna Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, held last week at Milton, there was a proposition to move the Gettysburg Seminary Washington, but it failed to carry. A com-mittee reported an endowment fund of \$100,-"Have you anything to say before we cat you?" said the King of the Cannibal Isles to a Boston missionary. "I have," was the reply. "I want to talk to you a while on the advantages of a vegetarian dict."—Harper's Bazar. Washington, but it failed to carry. A com-mittee reported an endowment fund of \$100,-000 for a Seminary and a legacy of \$38,000 for Mrs. Catharine Stroup, \$25,000 of which is given direct, while the remainder goes to the missionary institute at Selins Grove.

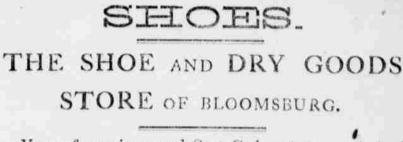


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