

NOTES FROM GOTHAM

SOME OF THE CONTRASTS OF THIS GREAT CITY.

Educational Interests—Bankers' Predictions—The Outcasts in the Parks—Even the Salvation Army Gets Discouraged—Training the Boys.

Special New York Letter. This city may properly be called the centre of the educational interests of the country, and for this reason there is a keen interest felt in the retirement of President E. Benjamin Andrews, of Brown University.

Speaking of the Andrews incident re-



Dr. E. Benjamin Andrews.

calls a discussion between several bankers respecting what would be the effect of the Alaska gold discoveries on the silver question. Most of them were inclined to the belief that the possible production of the new gold country had been greatly exaggerated for the benefit of the transportation companies.

Only within the past few years the handling of bananas has been the name of a distinct trade. Formerly it was only a part of the fruit trade, and like most kinds of fruit the banana was counted on as good for its season.

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Stories from the Klondike district, of the prowess and ferocity of the mosquitoes, have evidently stirred up the pride of New Jersey and the adjacent region of Governor's Island.

wards dressed by the surgeon, who pronounced it dangerous. If there are any bigger mosquito stories than these they have not yet found their way into print.

Every New Yorker is familiar with the setters in the small parks. There is certainly nothing more pitiable—no more scathing indictment against all the economic systems that the mind of man has devised—than a man with a wife and children dependent on him vainly seeking employment.

But who are these men in the parks? From what ranks of humanity does Union Square park draw its daily brigade of setters? Many of them have been in business. They failed from one cause or another.

Many have asked the question, "how do these men subsist?" Nearly all appear to be the possessors of at least ordinary appetites. Some of them, no doubt, live upon the industry of women—mothers, wives and sisters, and others upon the fruits of crime.

Probably not one in twenty of these men has failed in any occupation, business or profession in which they endeavored to succeed. Those of them who held positions of respectability lost them through inertia.

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I would say to all: Use your gentleness at home. Watch it day by day as a pearl of great price; for it will be worth more to you in the days to come than the best pearl in the sea.

HUMOR OF THE INDIANS.

It Runs to Fanatical Jokes and is Not Always Appreciated.

"Most everybody imagines that the North American Indian is a solemn and dignified individual," said the ex-army officer, as he leaned gracefully back in his chair and lazily puffed away at his afternoon cigar.

"The Indian is a born humorist. There isn't the slightest doubt of that. The great trouble is, however, that his humor runs chiefly to practical jokes. I remember one time meeting (or rather discovering a few rods distant) a big Indian, when I was out walking alone about two miles from camp.

"The whole proceeding it seemed was only his humorous method of striking a stranger for a chew of tobacco. If I had had something to strike back with it might not have been quite so funny—for him—but unfortunately I had left my weapons in camp.

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"The giants who frighten us most often turn out to be common-sized men on stilts.—Ran's Horn.

"How did you happen to become such a pronounced vegetarian?" asked the oldest inhabitant.

"I never saw so much stupidity," said the colonel from Kentucky. "I went into a saloon in Boston and called for a little whisky, and they handed me a small broom.—New York Journal.

"The daughter of a North Carolina 'moonshiner' tried to horsewhip a detective who had wounded her father in the scuffle for his 'still.' She said afterwards:

"I did it because he took the rifle and shed the red of my pa!" This comes of reading Steve Oran in the rough but realistic Tarheel section.—Atlanta Constitution.

"How long is it going to take to get through with this case?" asked the client, who was under suspicion of housebreaking.

"Well," replied the young lawyer thoughtfully, "it'll take me about two weeks to get through with it, but I'm afraid it's going to take you about four years.—Washington Star.

"A woman who wears a bird on her hat now is a marked woman, and but one feeling animates those who note her disregard of popular opinion.

"The fifth wheel to a wagon is useless now; but when I get that puncture repaired it will be as good as ever," remarked Byker, as he deposited his bike in the farmer's one-horse conveyance and then climbed in himself.—Puck.

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PRACTICAL MEN TO THE FRONT.

Mechanics Have Attained to Distinguished Positions in Recent Years.

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When the queen ascended the throne the United States were six times farther away than they are today. India was 40 days distant, instead of 16; Australia six months, instead of six weeks. While this shrinkage has been made a practical reality for all manner of brute substances, a much more rapid and total conquest of space and time has been effected in the exchange of thought and knowledge.

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Hands Off the People's Money,

Those who are anxious to reform the currency through the agency of a commission and by goldbug methods had better let the people's money alone. It would not be improved by the tinkering it would get from Wall street reformers.

"Taking the government out of the banking business" is one of the proposed reforms, which means that the right of issuing paper money shall be taken from the government and handed over to the banks.

The experience of more than thirty years has taught the people that they have lost nothing by allowing the government to issue circulating notes, but rather that by so doing they have secured the best and safest currency that was ever circulated in this country.

On the other hand their recollection of the losses they sustained when the banks issued all the paper money convinces them that it is best for their interest that the government should

remain in the banking business, or in other words should continue the safe and convenient paper currency known as greenbacks. With that kind of money in their pockets the people never lost a dollar from depreciation.

The retirement of the greenbacks is intended chiefly for the benefit of banking institutions. Such a reform would cost the people from \$10,000,000 to \$15,000,000 a year in interest on the bonds required to sustain the bank circulation, with no profit except to the banks.

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An Evening Discussion.

"I don't take any gre't account of the proverbs an axioms an so on that's printed in the magazines nowadays," remarked Mrs. Philander Peasley to her husband as she laid down the last number of a monthly publication.

"Now I'd like to be told how folks would come out of they was to be sca't at both sides like that! What I'd like is the old fashioned proverbs. There ain't any two ways o' taking them, an gettin misled.

"Make hay while the sun shines! Now, ain't that clear? 'Haste makes waste.' What's truer'n that, I'd like to know? There ain't one of them old sayin's but what's true as preachin, howsomever you take'em. They can't be turned an twisted round to mean anythin a body pleases!"

"Do you recall one about 'A thing ain't lost when you know where 'tis'?" inquired Captain Peasley in his usual shrill quaver.

"I should say I did," replied his wife promptly, "an many's the time I've heard it."

"Well," said the captain, with a suggestion of a laugh in his trembling old voice, "I had a cook once that quoted that to me when the teakettle was washed overboard, an all the cups an saucers, but we didn't seem to be able to find 'em, Sary."

"I reckon you've set up about long enough this evenin'," said Mrs. Peasley dryly, and she bundled the captain off to bed with considerable haste.—Youth's Companion.

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THE MARKETS.

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