

Josh Billings' Philosophy.

INKINGS.—Truth is like the burdock; a cow gets onto the end of her tail; the more she shakes them off, the less she gets rid of them.

There is 2 kinds of men in this world, that I don't care about meeting when I am in a grate hurry. Men whom I owe, and men who want to owe me.

There is always one chance again the best laid plans of men, and the Lord holds that chance.

My private opinion about "absence of mind" is, that 9 times out of 10, it is absence of brains.

The flattery that men offer to themselves is the most dangerous, because the least suspected.

Take a kitten that can hardly walk on land, and chuck him into a mill pond, and he will swim ashore—every body can apply the moral in this.

The best philosophers and moralists, have ever met, have been those who had money at interest.

It takes a wise man to suffer prosperity, but most enny phool can suffer adversity.

Pride, after all, is one of our best friends—it makes us believe we are better and happier than our nabors.

Before you give any man advice, find out what kind of advice will suit him the best.

Knowledge is like money, the more a man gets the more he hankers for.

The vices and phoils of grate men are never admired nor imitated by grate men.

The trow art of criticism is few excuse faults rather than ridicule them.

We have no more right to laugh at a deformed person, than we have at a crooked tree—both of them are God's arkitecture.

How strange it is that most men had rather be flattered for possessing what they have not, than to be justly praised for having what they possess.

Navily or manners towards men is like navily or molassias towards flies, it not only calls them to you, but sticks them fast after they get there.

There is a grate deal of charity in this world so kollyd rendered that it fairly horts; it is like lifting a drowning man out of the water by the hair of the head, and then letting him drop on the ground.

Exchanging compliments is another name for exchanging lies.

The greatest thief this world has ever produced is Procrastination, and he is still at large.

Religion is nothing more than a chattel mortgage, executed, and recorded, as security for a man's morality and virtue.

White lies are sed few to innocent but I am satisfied that enny man who will lie for phun, after a while will lie for wages.

Rats.—The best kind of bate for a rat, is tized cheese, and the best kind of a trap is the one that will catch them the oftense, and hang onto them the most.

It aint always a sure thing to catch a rat by the tail, I have known them twicht oph their tail just outside of the jaws of the trap, and thus save their rat meat.

Bob-tailed rats have ceased to be a curiosity to me long ago.

Once I should have lo-oked upon a bob-tailed rat with mingled pheelings of pity and surprize, but then daze haf fled from me, I lo-oked upon a bob-tailed rat now, as a class business transaction.

Rats are one of the far-famed butys of civilization, they won't live in the wilderness, and I wouldn't if I wuz they.

Sum folks are so enlightened they kant bear rats, but azi I lay in mi bed, at mi boarding house, at the deceased hours of night, it is one of mi privelages tew hear the rats chawin holes thro the base boards, and playing tag in the wainscote.

Rats are very proflick, one pair of asorted rats, will keep a plamly in rats for years.

Rats are very easy tew keep, there aint but pweh things but what they will eat, and them pweh things are lo-cked up.

Rats are not a subjecks oph diet in this country, but I am told bi missionaries, that rat pi iz thick in China.

I shouldn't wonder if rat pi might be good, but I have always accustomid myself to plain vittles.

"I STU-STUTTER, TOO!"—Quite an amusing incident occurred the other evening on Third and Jefferson streets, Louisville. A boy was standing on the corner, diligently holding up the lamp post, when an old, good-looking individual with a carpet-bag, probably a delegate to the convention, coming along accosted him with "Ca-can you tell me where the Fran-Fran-Frank-for-de-de-depot is?"

"Ye-ye-ye, yes, sir," answered the boy. "It's fre-free three streets above."

The old man, thinking the boy was mocking him, became furious, and, shaking his cane at the boy, said: "Ye-ye-ye young-ra-rascal, wh-wh-who are you mak'n fun of?"

The boy retreated out into the street, saying, "I-I-I'm not mak'n fun. Da-da-damn it, ca-ca-can't you see that I stu-stutter, too?"

In the execution of a recent deed by a man and his wife, the wife was taken aside, before the acknowledgment was made, by a commissioner, who, in the usual form, asked, "Do you execute this deed freely, and without any fear or compulsion of your husband?" "Fear of my husband!" exclaimed the wife, "I've had five husbands, and never was afraid of any of them."

In his essay on honeysuckles Greeley says: "If you wish to secure a certain crop of honeysuckles put a tubful of strained honey in front of your door, and in it place at convenient intervals such pieces of straw as are used for mint juleps. In a short time the honeysuckles will make their appearance. Great watching will not be required."

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Your father, John, is growing old; his days are nearly through; Oh! he has labored very hard to save the farm for you; But it will go to ruin soon, and poverty will be your lot; If you keep hitching Dobbin up to drive into the town, Your prospects for the future are very bright, my son; Not many have your start in life when they are twenty one; Your star, that shines so brightly now, in darkness will decline, and every one of which is warranted to give full satisfaction or no sale.

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I've watched o'er you from infancy till now you are a man, And I have always loved you, as a mother only can; At morning, and at evening, I have prayed the God of love To bless and guard my darling boy to the bright home above.

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The largest bell in the world, it is well known, is in Moscow, and is supposed to be two hundred years old, having been cast by order of Queen Anne in 1676. It is upwards of twenty-five feet in diameter, and about twenty-five feet in height, weighing three and four hundred thousand pounds. When it was rung, it took ten men to ring it, one-half pulling one side and one-half pulling the other.

In the conflagration of 1737 it fell from its location, and was buried in the earth, where it remained a hundred years, being dug up in 1837, by the czar Nicholas, who had it placed on the granite pedestal where it now rests. It is supposed to be the cause of which is also a subject of great interest. It is recorded that the czar, when this bell, nobles were present from all parts of Europe, who vied with each other in the amount of their gold and silver plate, which was brought in by the nobles, and other valuable offerings, which were cast into the furnace.

Travelers in Russia recall among their chief memories, the sounds of this great bell, which form a part of the religious and superstitious veneration. In Moscow there are five thousand, and when they ring on festive occasions, in the night, the effect, especially at a distance, is truly magnificent and grand.

There is now suspended in the city of St. Ivan, at Moscow, a bell which weighs 144,000 pounds and the diameter is thirteen feet. It is said that when it is rung, it is but once a year, and hollow murmur, vibrates all over the globe the full notes of a vast organ, or like the distant notes of a vast organ, or like the distant notes of a vast organ.

INDIAN CUSTOMS.—A correspondent of the Western press gives some revealing particulars of the "Sun dances" of the Sioux Indians, which take place annually. About the instant the "Sun dance" commenced, Cheyenne. It continues twenty-four hours without intermission, the dancers stopping for refreshments. It is during this time that the young Indians who are to rank among the "braves" are selected to a trying and cruel ordeal. The Indians are raised up in a stent and stent in the neck. A similar incision is made in the back, and a stick passed through the hole as in the other case. Then a stout cord is attached to either end of the stick, so that they may not draw out, and the cord is fastened to the ceiling of the council chamber. The candidates for the grade then commence a dance, jumping forward and backward, throwing their whole weight upon the cord, and they keep up this sticks are torn through the flesh. The young Indian who gives up from exhaustion before he succeeds in wrapping the sticks from his body, is deemed unworthy to be a warrior, and is forever disgraced in the eyes of his brethren. It is a scene which affords a most revolting witness. The blood is drawn from the face and incised flesh; while the dancers are in a frenzy, the spectators applaud and cheer by turns, inciting the poor wretches to desperate efforts to free themselves, and finally, as the last sinner wraps, and all lay grog and exhausted upon the ground, there is raised a series of savage wails, and yells that one could well imagine would be heard for miles around. Several hundred of these dances are yearly performed for cannibals, and spend thousands of dollars on foreign heathens, we find in our own country such barbarism as this. We do not believe for missionary societies to nearer home for a field in which to labor.

A RAIN OF LIVE FROGS IN ARIZONA.—A phenomenon familiarly known as "frog rain" has been noticed in Arizona and California by certain scientists; nevertheless, it is an abundant proof to show that it is not a red, and probably will again. In 1864, a writer, in company with some fifty travelers, had personal experience of it. We were in Arizona, not less than ten miles from any stream, pond, or water hole, and the rain was extremely sultry, and we had not let the animals graze and rest for an hour or two. Not a frog was seen, and suddenly a veritable hail was in sight, and it rained frogs, which were hopping over the ground for miles in every direction. They were a dense, black cloud made up of frogs, and it soon began to discharge a heavy rain upon our unsheltered heads. The drops were very large, and the water was warm. Nearly every person received a goodly brimmed felt-hat, which proved to be a protection against the rain. It was seen again by the parties of something that looked like hats like hail, but which proved to be frogs, and in less than two minutes the ground was fairly alive with those creatures. Several of the party took from their hats a number of our unexpected visitors were all of one size, about a quarter of an inch long, from the rump, very lively, and apparently in the best condition. Their fall had been broken by the spring, and they were seen to be hopping over the ground for miles in every direction. It was a most curious sight, and the millions of frogs had evidently been blown into the ground by the rain. The frogs they had, that in their infantile glee, they jumped five feet eleven inches from the top of our heads merely to get to the bottom of the game of leap-frog should be played. Nor had they any such childish apprehensions as are generally attached to juvenile frogs, they came from above, in a comical manner, and the fact was manifest in their holding out the hand and seeing them upon it, as well as upon our hats.

CALIFORNIA, remarkable for wonderful things, now reports the discovery of the Indians believed to be the remains of the evil one, located in the vicinity of the headquarters of the Kiowa and Comanche tribes. The country is rugged and rocky, and deep valleys and high mountains. Snakes and reptiles of every description abound in untold numbers. It is a wild and most interesting region. The ground trembles and shakes almost continuously, and if you stand rocks grind and grit together, and some terrible influence, manifested in discharges are heard, and the night the sound of men's heavy artillery. The sound seems to be more and more than in day time. No Indian can be induced to venture near the locality, nor can it with perspiration horror. No one advanced to account for the phenomenon.