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AN INFIDEL CONVERTED.

In His Ecstasy He Knocked the Preacher Down and Afterward Goes Stark Mad.

Clarington, Ohio, Feb. 15.—Opposite this place and about two miles back, on the Virginia side, is a settlement known as Wall's Bottom. A church, school house and grocery constitute the village. For two months a wonderful revival has been in progress there, nearly every person within a radius of several miles having been converted.

The minister exhorted Dongle, and at about midnight, with a cry that might have been heard a mile and nearly killed his feet yelling "Hosannah!" In his sudden bound Dongle knocked the preacher down, his head crushing against a projection of the pulpit, cutting a deep gash. The congregation gave no heed to the prostrate shepherd, but filled the air with shouts of triumph. At 4 o'clock in the morning the meeting broke up.

That day Dongle lost his mind, and imagined that he was sent as a special agent to care for the preacher. With this idea in view, he went to the house of Jacob Meiser, and deceived Meiser into the cellar, where he hid him up. Going into the house, Dongle, under a threat of death, compelled Mrs. Meiser to show where the money was kept. Dongle took it, together with all he could carry in the way of clothing to the preacher. Meiser, being released, followed him; but he was attacked by Dongle and nearly killed. That night Dongle drove the preacher out of the pulpit, and took his place there, announcing that he was Christ come to judge the world, and he would now separate the sheep from the goats. A terrible scene ensued, but Dongle was finally rescued, and is now in confinement.

THE MOST REMARKABLE CASE OF ALL.

A gentleman writes us from Philadelphia, Centre county, Pa., that his little girl was horribly afflicted with scrofula. Her body was full of sores, discharging continually thick yellow putrid matter, and her eyes so swollen and inflamed as to almost blind her. One bottle of McDonald's Blood Purifier has to all appearances entirely cured her. Our neighbors as well as ourselves consider the cure remarkable.

COLLAPSE OF A BUILDING FILLED WITH GRAIN.

Huntingdon, Feb. 16.—The flouring mills of H. G. Fisher, on Penn St., near Seventh, met with a disaster this morning, causing a loss which cannot yet be estimated, but amounting to many thousands of dollars. An addition built a few years ago was recently fitted with new and expensive elevating machinery and contained 15,000 bushels of grain, and a foot of snow that had just fallen. The great weight caused the floors and roof to give away, forcing out the front wall and precipitating grain, bricks, timbers, and debris in a confused mass to the ground. Much of the grain is scattered in the street at a distance of 15 feet from the building and is mingled with plastering, pieces of brick and dirt and lies upon the deep bed of snow. The hoisting machinery is broken and wrecked. The mill was one of the most complete in the state.

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A MERRY BORDER RUFFIAN.

Santa Fe, N. M., Feb. 17.—Gov. Shreve has offered a reward of \$1,000 for the capture of a border ruffian named Dick Rogers, who has been "running" the town of Raton at intervals during several weeks. His latest exploit was taking possession of a dance hall and, with the assistance of four comrades, compelling the inmates to dance at the muzzle of pistols all night.

An extra discount of 10 to 20 per cent on all ladies' and children's coats, at the Bee Hive.

FIFTY PERSONS OUT OF EMPLOYMENT.

Look Haven, Pa., Feb. 20.—The kindling wood mill of W. A. Allen was totally destroyed by fire today. The loss on the mill and machinery is \$3,000; insurance, \$5,000. Fifty men and boys are thrown out of employment.

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A properly developed, full grown man weighing 154 pounds ought according to Professor Huxley, to consume 5,000 grains of lean beefsteak, 6,000 grains of bread, 7,000 grains of milk, 8,000 grains of potatoes, 600 grains of butter, and 22,000 grains of water.

Tests have proved that one pound of powder in small blasts will loosen about 4 1/2 tons of rock, and in large blasts about 2 1/2 tons. In a day of 10 hours, one man can bore with a bit an inch in diameter from 50 to 100 inches deep in granite, or from 300 to 400 inches in limestone.

A specimen of lignite from the deposits of the Sonris Valley, Manitoba, gave on analysis the following result: Carbon 52.36 per cent; hydrogen, 3.52; oxygen and nitrogen, 18.74; sulphur, 0.42; ash, 4.33 and water, 20.70. The color of ash was buff. When ignited a good flame was produced, with intense heat.

Representatives of the Spanish Government have recently visited England for the purpose of inspecting the various establishments where large guns are made. They have placed in Sheffield an order for the plant necessary for turning out forgings for the heaviest possible ordnance. The plant will cost \$1,000,000.

How to produce painless death to animals has been carefully studied by Dr. W. B. Richardson. He seems at last to have succeeded in securing euthanasia for them. The animals to be destroyed are placed in a chamber into which is forced a current of carbonic oxide passing at 80° Fahrenheit over a mixture of chloroform and carbon bisulphide. Extinction of life is soon effected in the chamber by the lethal nature of its atmosphere so brought about.

A new form of apparatus for determining the compressibility of water has been exhibited by Prof. Tait before the Royal Society, Edinburgh. Instead of measuring the compression caused by a given pressure he now measures the pressure required to produce a given compression. His new arrangement allows him to make any number of measurements in rapid succession at any one temperature; and then the temperature can be raised and corresponding measurements made without once opening the compression apparatus.

To determine the vexed question whether the level of the Baltic was rising or sinking, watermarks or gauges were set up in 1750, renewed about a century later, and finally repaired last year. At short intervals the gauges were inspected, and the readings carefully noted. The records of 134 years now show beyond all cavil that while the Scandinavian coast has been steadily rising, the southern littoral of the Baltic has been steadily sinking. Since 1750 the coast of Sweden has been upheaved on an average nearly 50 inches. No change has been perceptible on a line which passes from the Swedish coast over Bornholm and Laland to the Schleswig-Holstein shore.

At a late meeting of the Associated Swiss Societies at Berne, M. Mulhaupt suggested the formation of an international geographical bureau for the purpose, first, of carrying out the resolutions arrived at by international geographical congresses; second, of making exchanges every month, or oftener if need be, between the eighty odd geographical societies; and, third, of publishing in the four or five principal languages a summary of the contents of the publications of the various geographical societies. He further proposes that the expenses be shared by the many societies which would be benefited by the execution of the project.

Dumont's sewerage scheme for Paris contemplates the construction of a drain about 100 miles long from the city to a covered reservoir below Herblay on the right bank of the Seine, and between Dieppe and Trepout, and the establishment of pumping stations at E Magny and Herfontaine. It is estimated that for nine months of the year almost the whole of the sewage will be taken up by irrigation. The entire cost of construction is expected to be not more than \$2,000,000, anticipated that the maintenance of the pumping stations will be fully secured by the scales of the sewage for irrigation purposes. Only during one-quarter of the year will much of the waste of the French metropolis reach the sea at all.

Prof. A. R. Leeds, Ph D., in a paper on the "Composition and Methods of Analysis of Human Milk," thus writes of physical characteristics of the mother whether blonde or brunette, or more minutely as to color of eyes, hair, complexion, &c., has not shown that these differences are necessarily related to corresponding differences in the composition of the milk. But actual differences in the physical condition of the mother are intimately related. The samples obtained from women of overrobust habit were not so rich in albuminoids as those from a pronouncedly anemic woman; and generally speaking, the best was obtained from lean women in good physical condition. This ought to afford sufficient scientific guidance for ladies in selecting wet nurses for their offspring.

Items of Interest.

Minors and married women are now allowed to open accounts in French Government savings banks without the authority of their parents or husbands.

Smokers are warned by a celebrated optician from reading and smoking at the same time. The blue of the smoke imposes unequal work upon the two eyes.

The late Mark Pattison, speaking of the desirability of condensing as possible in writing, once said: "I think it must have been the scanty supply of paper which made the classics what they are."

An express train of eight cars is valued at \$66,700; the engine and tender at \$10,500, the baggage car at \$1,000, the postal car at \$2,000, the smoker at \$2,300, the two common passenger cars at \$3,000 each, and three cars at \$15,500 each.

London mail carriers now call at private residences for parcels, the same as do express messengers in this country. A scarlet card is furnished by the postal authorities, which, when displayed in the window, insures a call from the postman.

Eight men, all of whose names ended with the same letter, are said by the Jacksonville (Fla.) Times-Union to have met in a restaurant in that place recently and without previous arrangement. Their names were Wiltz, Fitz, Fritz, Dritz, Britz, Puertz, and Schmidtz.

In Piedmont, Ga., there is a forty-cent man. If he hires any one he only pays forty cents per day; if he hires himself to anyone he only asks forty cents; if he makes a bill or an offer for anything, it is only forty cents; if he swaps horses, cows, or anything else either asks or pays forty cents difference.

Far out at sea, along both the Gulf and Atlantic coasts of Florida, says the Savannah (Ga.) News, are several springs of fresh water. They are well known to the spongers and fishermen, who frequently visit them to replenish their water casks. On this same coast is an oil spring, which diffuses a calm over troubled waters, and affords a refuge to small vessels during a gale.

A peculiar article produced by the negroes of Georgia is called by them persimmon bread. Five pounds of it, it is said, will make nearly a barrel of agreeable and non-intoxicating beer. The persimmons are gathered when thoroughly ripe, the mass is kneaded till it is of the consistency of bread dough, made into a cake, and then put into an oven and baked. It will keep all winter, and can be used until late in the spring.

A society has been formed in Boston to help its members purchase a home or commence business when they are married. This surprising scheme provides that a member need have paid in only \$250 to become entitled to the full benefit of \$1,000 at the end of eighteen months. As the association has just begun operation, no benefit will become due until 1886. The Secretary claims a membership of 100 already, and hopefully predicts one of 12,000 within five years.

A method of "painting the lily" is common in Persia; for the narcissus-bouquets of which form the constant ornament in Spring of even the poorest homes, is usually "improved" by rings of colored paper, silk, or velvet being introduced over the inner ring of petals. Startling floral novelties are the result; and the European seeing them for the first time is invariably deceived and cheated into admiration of what turns out afterward to be a transparent trick.

The United States Supreme Court has recently decided that "a lunatic, or person affected with insanity, is admissible as a witness if he has sufficient understanding to apprehend the obligation of an oath, and is capable of giving a correct account of the matters which he has seen or heard with reference to the question at issue; and whether he has that understanding is a question to be determined by the Court, upon examination of the party himself and any competent witnesses who can speak as to the nature and extent of his insanity."

Not only are there letter-carriers in the large cities of England, but even in the rural districts, letters are delivered direct at the houses of their recipients. Formerly the letter-carriers went their round on foot, but now all those in the rural districts have been provided by the Government with tricycles, which run excellently on the admirable roads of England. The carriers also take with them a stock of stamps and stamped envelopes for registered letters to sell to the people who live at a considerable distance from the office.

On a certain street in Denver is a stone mansion which, with its grounds, cost nearly \$1,000,000. Directly opposite, on a vacant lot, is a tent, boarded up inside as far as the angle of the roof. The back end of it is pierced with a door and window. In the window hangs a curtain of costly lace, and in the tent is a piano of exquisite tone. The tent itself did not cost over \$20. The piano upholstery and furniture inside are said to have cost over \$3,000. The owner planted his tent there over twenty-five years ago, and is one of the moderately successful Colorado miners, being worth about \$30,000. He prefers his tent to any dwelling house, and says he would not exchange it for Windsor Castle.

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