

FOR THE CHILDREN.

REFUSED THE INVITATION. Five little fishes were swimming along...

CUTTING ON BEHIND. George went with his father to bring home a sleigh. The distance was not great...

BIT OFF THE MAID'S NOSE. What boy or girl has not read about that famous blackbird who plucked off the nose of the maid...

Well, there are some common blackbirds, that live on worms and snails and all kinds of insects.

The generally live in the Southern States and live on rice or corn, and are a great trouble to the farmers...

FIVE CENTS' WORTH OF TRAVEL. We know a bright boy whose great longing is to travel.

THE BEAUTIFUL DOLL THAT DIED. There was a loud cry in the nursery. Mamma dropped her sewing and hurried in to discover the cause.

A Dainty Silk Rellie. Mrs. E. J. Nicholson of this city, says the Philadelphia Times, has in her possession, among other curious relics...

THE REAL OLD LADY. One seldom sees a genuine old lady nowadays. The devices of the perquisite, the complexion specialties of the beauty doctor...

FOR THE LADIES. SOME NEW HATS. Although the large picture-hats are in high vogue, being eminently becoming to many women...

A WOMAN WHO WORKS A FARM. Minnesota boasts of one of the most successful women farmers. She is Miss Sarah Pollard and she owns half a section of land in Polk County...

ABOUT WOMEN'S SHOES. Shoe and Leather Facts contains some valuable suggestions about women's shoes. Among other things the writer says that no woman can make a mistake...

A QUAIN GOWN. A quaint gown for afternoons is made of pink crepon, and has for a trimming on its close-fitting skirt two ruffles at the edge...

JAPANESE HAIRPINS. The chief distinction between the appearance of the male and female Japanese lies in the hair. The men shave nearly the whole of the head...

FASHION NOTES. A new arrangement of silk and ribbons at the back of the dress is called the "bishop's hood."

Tom Thumb's Trick. General Tom Thumb became a slave to the drink habit, in his latter days. After Barnum had taken him to Europe and had advertised him very extensively...

out in their carriage. They were having a merry time. Mamma watched them as they carefully wended their way through the hall and dining room and back to the sitting room.

"Have you been to see Lucy Katy today?" she asked. "No, Mamma," said Madge; "It makes me feel bad every time I see her, and it does no good, so I'm not going up there again."

But Madge could not enjoy her dolly until she understood it all. Mamma had put a new head on the same old shoulders, and they had a new live Lucy Katy.

Wild geese, under certain conditions when caught, become quite domestic. In Meeker, Col., there are three owned by the Meeker Hotel, which have been there nearly five years...

The reposition usually prevails that wild geese build their nests in the long grass and bushes fringing the isolated streams and lakes...

Quite a resort for wild geese is found at the headwaters of the Yampa River, and a year ago two boys living near Steamboat Springs found a nest in the top of a buttonwood tree.

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Grasshoppers as Food. A grasshopper, plague being advertised for this summer in the West, the Department of Agriculture asks: "Why should not the people who are reduced to starvation by these insects use them for food?"

Persons who have looked into the subject assert that insects might furnish to mankind important contributions of food which are at present unused and despised. It has been ascertained by the Government experts that young wasp grubs fried in butter are a most agreeable delicacy.

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The figures of last year's census in Canada are now coming out in very interesting bulletins. From that on manufactures it appears that in ten years the population in towns and cities has increased 88 per cent.

For the clever rearrangement of a hopelessly ugly room the ingenious daughter of a Methodist clergyman deserves an unfading palm of victory.

Sheath skirts of crepealine, China silk and silk grenadine are draped with lace, caught up with gray ribbon knots, or trimmed with accordion-plaited ruffles of the material.

Tr 4 to be hoped, remarks the Chicago II rail, the agitation in favor of good roads will have the effect of stirring up the county supervisors not only in this state but in every western state until the country highways are reclaimed from the horrible condition into which they pass after each rain fall.

THE STREETS OF PEKIN.

The town is always most animated. At certain hours of the day the streets are crowded with foot-passengers, riders on horseback, and carriages...

The Methodists maid was pretty much disheartened at first, but she plucked up courage and ideas and proceeded to revolutionize things. In the first place she said she would cover that Josephian carpet with bed-ticking!

But she did. She bought blue ticking with fine white lines running through it, so that the blue stripes were not more than a quarter of an inch in width.

Lincoln as a Wrestler. At the time the Lincolns settled at Goose Nest Dan Needham was the champion wrestler in Cumberland County. This county joins Coles, the one in which the Lincolns lived.

At the close of the fourth round the combatants again stood face to face. Abe flushed but smiling, Dan trembling with anger. However, one glance at the honest, good-natured face of his opponent cooled his rage.

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Ed. P. Blakeslee, one of the three tramps held for the murder of Policeman Merget, at Tamaqua, entered a plea of guilty of murder in the second degree before the court at Pottsville.

Yee Wah, a Chinese laundryman, of Huntington, applied for naturalization papers and after being examined was granted them. The American Dairyman boasts that the dairy industry of the United States, notwithstanding its low average profit, is more valuable than all our gold and silver mines; and, it adds, if all the cows were as valuable as the majority of those which have been tested the yearly output would be more than trebled.

THE PENNSYLVANIA ITEMS. THE architect, contractor, county commissioners and other officials concerned in the construction of the new country court house at Pottsville were indicted on several charges of dishonesty.

THE Reading has ordered its transfer agents to handle no more Pennsylvania cars at coal points. The Pennsylvania colliers are being worked at night by electric light.

THE Grand United Order of Odd Fellows gave a parade and ball at Williamsport. An election of officers also took place. A NUMBER of addresses were delivered by Prohibitionists and others at the Grangers picnic at Bellefonte.

EMERSON A. RHODES, 15, of Pottstown, died from the effects of a splinter in his foot. THE opening exercises took place at the Pennsylvania State College, an increased number of students being enrolled. Several changes have been made in the faculty.

JOHN BERGER, a well known young man of Pleasant Valley, aged about twenty-six, committed suicide by shooting himself in the back of the head at his home, dying almost instantly. He was confined to his home by typhoid fever. The deed was committed during his wife's absence.

ADJUTANT GENERAL GREENLAND received a letter from Governor Pattison, suggesting that the troops be withdrawn from Homestead, and leaving it to his discretion to withdraw them as soon as possible. General Greenleaf at once notified General Wylie at Homestead to gradually reduce the number until all have been sent home.

THE Legislative Committee considering the charges against ex-Senator Wright, and the other managers of the Soldiers' Orphan's School met at Harrisburg, continued their investigation, and adjourned until October 3.

J. D. HICKS, of Altoona, was nominated for Congress on the 21st ballot by Twentieth District Republicans at Bedford. Two boys, aged 8 and 10 years, while playing in an old well in Plymouth, were overcome by gas and died. A man who attempted to rescue them was also overcome and he may die.

GEORGE LEAVENWORTH, married, four children, and Miss Kate Shaughnessy, of Wilkes-Barre, eloped a day or two since and their marriage at Harford is reported. REPORTS from a reliable source reached Allentown to the effect that there will soon be made a desperate attempt to lynch Kock the murderer, of the Nibsch. It is said that the people in North White Hall Township are banding together with this object determined in view.

SCARLET fever prevails at Honey Brook to an alarming extent. The public schools have been closed. The disease is supposed to have been caused by the children taking cold in a newly renovated school building. Several children have died, and some twenty are reported ill.

MRS. JULIA ANDREWS, of Stoops Ferry, committed suicide by taking "Rough on Rats." She was taken ill with cholera morbus. She imagined she had Asiatic cholera and rather than suffer with the terrible disease she took the poison.

The Cooley gang bound and gagged Jacob Cover, aged sixty, and John Walters aged seventy, near Smithport, and then tortured them into giving up \$200 in gold. Judge Stewart handed down an opinion ordering the enlargement of Chambersburg and the borough assessors at once placed the new citizens on their lists.

Miss Mary Armstrong, of Hasleton, has disappeared from home and there are fears for her safety. Benjamin Hinkle who escaped from jail in Adams county two weeks ago, surrendered to Deputy Sheriff McInnes.

Frank Heilly, the sailor of the Newark killed at Genoa, was a native of Harrisburg, aged thirty, a stone cutter by trade and had served nearly eight years in the navy. His mother and brother live at the State capital.

Berkman, the Anarchist, threatens to commit suicide if the sentence for his crime is over ten years. The Indian Training School at Carlisle reopened with more than 1000 pupils.

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Pastor Herbst barred out the organist and choir of St. Stephen's Reformed Church at Pottstown. Some excitement was created, but the choir sang the Doxology and dispersed.

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