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[From the New York Times.] The Leecompton Constitution. The attempt of the administration to secure the admission of Kansas into the Union...

Poetical.

I NEVER HAVE BEEN FALSE TO THEE. BY GEORGE P. MORRIS.

I never have been false to thee! The heart I gave thee still is thine; Though thou hast been untrue to me...

HOME AND FRIENDS.

Oh, there's a power, to make each hour As sweet as heaven designed; Nor need we roam to bring it home...

Miscellaneous.

What I Hate. BY FANNY PERIN.

Chiefest of all sublunary abominations, is the slatternly woman. A blaine no man who rushes from a house whose mistress, habitually...

Romance of Real Life.

There was a fine old General once, who, having spent most of his life in the field of Mars, knew very little about the camp of Cupid...

He Did, And Then He Didn't.

James Smith was a bad man, or at least every body said so, and that makes it true. Though he was as accommodating a neighbor...

Murder of a Wife in Virginia.

The Richmond Whig says: We have recently mentioned the discovery of the body of Mrs. Mary S. Turley, in one of the dams of Coal River, Kanawha river, in West Virginia...

A POWERFUL WITNESS.

Truth makes a child powerful. As an illustration of this, read the following article from the pen of S. H. Hammond, formerly editor of the Albany State Register:

Plain Truths.

A London newspaper, in noticing a meeting held to consider the subject of popular education, and at which Prince Albert presided, says:

The Right Talk.

A straight-out writer gives the following advice to those young men who "depend on father for their support, and take no interest whatever in their own education..."

Dr. Kane in Boyhood.

When he was ten years old, four or five months before his departure from his native land, he was sent to a boarding school...

Anecdote of Webster.

A correspondent gives us the following new anecdote of this eminent statesman: "Every body knows that Mr. Webster was a bit of a sportsman, was fond of beach and fishing parties, and could make a crowder as well as a speech..."

Good Things Spoiled.

If a man gives freely to a worthy charity, he spoils the act by boasting of it. When nature has given a man a fine healthy color in his face, he spoils it by imparting to it the color of freckles...

A Good MATE.

A writer in the Home Journal describes a couple who were "not unequally yoked together." In short, the man was very poor, and the woman was very rich...

Life in Paris—An Incident.

The Philadelphia North-American's Paris correspondent, under date of January the 11th, says: "The weather has latterly given strong indications of approaching severity. Ice has begun to float, or is as it is termed here, to charrier, down the Seine in large quantities, and some of the boats are being crushed by the weight of the ice..."

CHOKED ENOUGH.

Speaking of the Rio Grande, a writer says: "Imagine one of the crookedest things in the world, then imagine four more twice as crooked, and imagine to yourself a large river three times as crooked as all these put together, and you have a faint idea of the crooked disposition of this crooked river..."

ASS IN A LION'S SKIN.

The Dayton (O.) Gazette says that a student at Oxford, visiting Turkey, a few days since, was told that a lion had escaped from a menagerie and was prowling round the student. He thought it funny to play him a trick and so got inside of a buffalo skin and secreted himself in the cellar. The Dutchman was sent down on some pretended errand, and the lions sprang at him growling. The Dutchman caught up a cudgel and laid Mr. Lion sprawling, with his head cut open, where his friends found him senseless.

EXPOSING THE PARSON.

A minister was one Sabbath examining the Sunday school in the catechism before the congregation. The usual question was put to the first girl, a stranger, who knew very little of the catechism. "What is your name?" "Nancy." "What is your name?" "Nancy." "What is your name?" "Nancy..."

OR SUNDAY AFTERNOON.

On Sunday afternoon, in Baltimore, Md., as Mrs. Herman was sitting at the parlour window of her residence, a white turle dove, with a dark ring around its neck, flew in and it upon her head; the next morning while attending rehearsal at the Holy Street Theatre, she received the painful news of her husband's death, who died of heart disease, about the time the dove made its appearance; she was immediately thrown into convulsions, and had to be carried home.

WHY DID ADAM HIT THE APPLE?

A schoolmaster of one of his pupils, asked a scholar no to cut it, "because he had no knife to cut it," replied the inquisitive biblical student.

PUNCH ASSERTS THAT IT REQUIRES AN EARLY START.

Punch asserts that it requires an early start now-a-days for a man to get round his wife.

THAT WOMAN DOESN'T WANT A HUSBAND!

That woman doesn't want a husband! She is not a woman, she is a man, with smiles as he returns from the labors of the day; who will not try to chain him to his home by the sweet enchantment of a smile, so unfeeling, so lost to loving kindness, as to withstand such influence, and break away from such a home.

IT RARELY HAPPENS THAT ONE ARTIFICIAL MIND.

It rarely happens that one artificial mind can succeed in forming another; we seldom imitate what we do not love.

THERE ARE SEVEN NEW WOMEN IN THE STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA.

There are seven new women in the State of Pennsylvania under sentence of death for murder.