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# Poeticul.

#### I RATHER THINK I WILL.

Oh! I'll tell you of a fellow, Of a fellow I have seen, Who is neither white nor yellow, But he is altogether green. He has told me of a cottage, Of a cottage on a hill;
And he begged me to accept him,
But I hardly think I will.

Now the tears the creature wasted, Were enough to turn a mill; Then his name it isn't charming, For its only common " Bill; But I hradly think I will

Oh, he whispered of devotion, On he whispered of according
Of devotion pure and deep,
But it seemed so very silly
That I nearly foll asleep!
And he thinks it would be pleasant,
As we journey down the hill,
To go hand in hand together,
But I hardly think I wilk

He was here last night to see me, And he made so long a stay, I began to think the bleekhead

Never meant to go away.

At the first I learned to hate him,
And I know I hate him still, Yet he urges me to have him, But I hardly think I will.

I'm sure I wouldn't choose him; But the very deuce is in it, For he says if I refuse him
That he couldn't live a minute!
And you know the blessed Bible
Plainly says. "we masn't kill," So I've thought the matter over, And I rather think I will!

### BETTER LATE THAN NEVER

Life is a race where some succeed, The trick at times, at other speedy.
That gives an odrly winning.
But if you chance to fall behind, Ne or slacken your endeavor, But keep this whilesome truth in mind "Tis better lite than never.

If you can know already 'tis well,
But never trip your fleighbor;
'Tis noble when you can excel
By honest, patient labor:
But if you are outstripped at last,
Press on as bold at ever;
'Remember, though you are surpassed,
'Tis better late than pover.

Ne er labor for an idle boast Of victory o'er another; But while you strive your intermost; Deal fairly with a brother. What'er you station, do your liest, And hold your purpose ever; And if you fail to beat the rest;

'Tis better late than never! Choose well the math in which you run, Succeed by noble during; Then, the the last, when once 'tis won; Your crown is worth the wearing. Then never fret if left behind, Nor slacken your endeaver, But ever keep this truth in mind-

# Miscellaneous.

#### Curtin's Mal-Administration .-- Now A Republican Editor Tulks.

Reporter and Tribine of Washington, Pa., in bers of Congress. Blair, of Missouri, first real etter to his paper, talks bitterly of Curtin's spoulded in a blood and thunder war speech, infamous Administration, thus: infamous Administration, thus:

After him came the brave and valuant rickThe treatment of the Pennsylvania volunt man, who thus far in life has only been bold. The treatment of the Pennsylvania volume man, who thus har in the mas very teers by the State government, has been the subject of general and deserved complaint.—

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Curtin. I have been the Governor's political and personal friend, but I cannot and should not overlook the gross mismanagement, not to men and money, unless both were used forth. use a harsher word, which is constantly be with." Pennsylvania. Since I have been here, I have seen whole regiments of Ohio, New York, Michigan and Rhode Island troops, and in every instance, the superiority of their uniforms and equipments over those of Pennsylvania, was so marked as to challenge the attention even of the citizens here. Their uniforms were made of superior cloth, their knapsacks of leather, neatly finished, their blanksts were of superior s ze and quality, and eve- cially whom he reflects that Southern S miliation to our own-equally worthy and de- the army, may be killed off?-West Chester serving volunteers. I found them clad in Jeffersonian. coarse Kentucky jean, blouses, and rotten casenet pants, neither of which garments were ed or half sewed together. The whole suit enormous profits? Our clumsy and unsight-

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zons, clean from the corrupt fingers of politial speculators. A few such men might worm liemselves into the confidence of the most upight Governor; but the dishonesty of whiel I complain is all pervading. Every department is befouled. Our clothing and equipments are rude and worthless; our provisions are scant and stale. Our quarters are com fortable or otherwise, just as it chances. Accident is the agency that befriends us. Even in the matter of transportation, we are neg-lected. The troops of other States are cur ried in handsome passenger cars: we ar herded like cattle in freight trains.

#### From the West Chester Jeffersonian Prediction in the Course of Fulfillment.

In the campaign of 1856, the Democratic Executive Committee of this State issued an Address, from which the following is an ex-

"We know very well how easy it is to sneed at any suggestion of danger to the Union.— But we know also that the federal relations of this Government are so delicately constructed that they may be ruplured at any time by a serious error of the people in choosing a Chief Magistrate. The States of the Union are not held together by physical force, like the decendencies of a Kingdom, nor even by a political power, like different parts of the same State, They are independent sovereign-tics, united by the gentler law of mutual attraction. This law, operating on their own free will, made the Union; and when it cens-es to operate, the Union will be unmade.— Let a President of the United States be elected exclusively by the votes of one section, and on a principle of avowed hostility to the men, the measures, the domestic relations, the feelings, and the interests, real or supposed, of the other section, and what must be the consequence? We do not say it would certainly or necessarily dissolve the Union. Perhaps the good genius of the Republic, which has brought us through so many perils, might save us again. But that man must be intellectually blind who does not see that it would put us in fearful danger. For this o clection of a sectional candidate must be regarded as in itself a great public The party that avows opposition and hatred towards a certain class of the States, as its motive and rule of action, is entitled to no aid or comfort from any man who loves his country or desires to be faithful to its government. The greatest, the wisest, and the best men this country over produced have warned us that the Union could not last under the control of a geographical party.— Need we refer you to Washington's Farewell Address? Need we remind you of the ad-monitions which Jefferson and Jackson have given? If the solemn voices which come from the tomb at Mt. Vernon, from the sepulchre at Monticello, and from the grave at the Hermitage, have ceased to be regarded, then we are lost indeed." (Signed by)

John W. Fonner, Ch'n.

## The Siege of the War Officers.

The N. Y. World gives a description of the hordes of contractors and office-seekers who besiege the office of Secretary Comeron:
"But O, that crowd of applicants without! O, that patient, presisting throng of placeseekers, contractors, pensioners, jobbers, of a die for the people's welfare." together, each insisting that his business is of ecial importance to the Department, and with the Secretary of War. How the specutard, and and some of the crew descended into the make patriotic sacrifices; to supply for consideration, beef, pork, flour, and Pennsylvania uniforms, in any amount which the army may require. The March influx of western was dead and frozen as hard as a stone. In half so dreadful. And then the patience of ble, her eyes open as if gazing at the intructhe men! Many are suitors in that entry for ders in that desolate place. She was a corpse half a dozen successive weeks, from 8 a. m., and had been frozen in an appassntly resigntill 4 p. m., daily pateing to and fro without getting a word with the Secretary, yet never leaving their beat except to buy a binch from the old black lady below, when mountide return the lady. He was sitting at the table dead, and before minds them of their humanity. "The many him was a sleet of paper, on which was written, "our cook has endeavored to strike a place, on investigation of Willard's register, light since yesterdny morning, but in vain; place, on investigation of Willard's register, light since yesterday morning, but in vain; will infrequently be found in some rural village of the Keystone State.

# In a Hurry to Have our Soldiers Killed Off.

On Monday evening there was a serenade H. A. Purviance, one of the Editors of the at Washington to some of the Abolition mem-

ing exhibited in the fitting out, quartering, What could be more despicable than this? provisioning, &c., of the volunteer forces of The cowardly braggart, after having contrib-The cowardly braggart, after having contributed, by his ultra sectional course, to involve the country in trouble, basely stands aloof the superiority of their uniplains of the delay in the movements of the Northern forces, and would have our soldiers rushed into the deadly conflict whether "pre-pared or not." Such a notorious coward as he has proved himself to be, on several occasions, should be silent on this subject, esperything about them betokened a wise, gener-ous and active superintending care. They ing and denouncing, are prominent in the field were all noble looking fellows, proud of their in support of their cause. Can it be that this it is by these "little" self-denials, borne with elegant trappings, and grateful, doubtless, for miserable demagogue is anxious to have the such self-forgotten gentleness, that the humvigilant and honest patriotism that Northern soldiers hurried into battle in order watched over them in their career of glory, that hundreds and thousand of Democrats, peril and duty. I turned from them with hu- who he knows constitute the great body of

Chances of Battle: "At Waterloo" said Napoleon, "I ought might be bought in the country stores of to have been victorious. The chances were Green county, for from \$4 to \$4,50. It cost a hundred to one in my favor." But Ney, the Who pocketed the braves of the brave, at the head of 42,000 clumsy and unsight Frenchmen, suffered himself to be delayed a ly knapsacks are made of the coarsest musling they some thousands of Nassau troops.—

Water-proved with offensive pitch or coal tar. Had it not been for this inexplicable inactivour haversacks are made of the same material, and a loaf of bread after being stored in the english army would have been taken al, and a loaf of bread after being stored in the english army would have been taken al, and a loaf of bread after being stored in the english army would have been taken al, and a loaf of bread after being stored in the english army would have been taken all the a rune forest of the english army would have been taken all the a rune forest of the english army would have been taken all the analysis of the english army would have been taken all the e one for an hour, smells like a pine forest of king a blow. Grouchy, with 40,000 men, sufone for an hour, smells like a pine torest of king a now. Groupy, with 19,000 line, and North Carolina. There has been a grand fored Burlow and Blocher to escape him; and swindle some place, and upon Governor Curi finally a heavy shower of rain made the lin the blame must full. It is possible that there is no complicity between him add the inence the attack at daybreak. Had I been contractors, but it is his bounden duty to see that none but honest men are employed in the service of the government, and sternly to punish recently the government, and sternly to punish recently to punish recent

#### What is a Zonave'?

Doesticks says he is "a fellow with a red

bag having sleeves to it for a coat; with two red bags without sleeves to them, for trousers; with an embroidered and braided bag that there incognite: for a vest: with a cap like a red woolcu sausethe result of a love affair between an amarous brond-sword and a lonely musket, indiscreet and tender—that is a Zouave. A fellow who can "pull up" a hundred and ten pound dumb bell; who can climb up an eighty foot rope, hand over hand, with a barrel of flour hanging to his heels: who can do the "giant tied to each handle, who can walk up four flights of stairs, holding a heavy man in each hand at arm's longth; who can climb a greased pole, feet first, carrying a barrel of pork in his teeth—that is a Zouave. A follow who in a double how knot round his neck without previously softening his shinbones in a steam bath; who can walk Blondin's tight rope with his stomach ouside of nine brandy cock tails, a suit of chain armor oatside his signi-ach, and a stiff northeast gale outside of that; who can take a five shooting revolver in his hand and knock the spots off the ten of dia- are taken in thousands. monds at eighty paces, turning summersaults all the time and firing every shot in the air that is a Zouave."

#### A Great Man.

The author of the "Nazarene," thus speaks He sat there in his arm-chair-I can see him now. We told him of the public distress—the est to all people yet discovered to that terrimanufactures ruined—the shrouded engles in ble cousin of humanity—the ape." crape, which were carried at the head of 20 000 men into Independence square. He heard us all. We begged him to leave the deposits where they were, to uphold the great bank at Philadelphia. Still he did not say a word At last one of our members, more firery than the rest, intimated that if the bank was crushed a rebellion might follow. Then the old man arose-I can see him yet.

"Come," he shouted in a voice of thunder as his clenched hand was raised high above his white hair, "come with bayonets in your hands instead of your petitions—surround the White House with your legions—I am ready for you! With the people at my back, whom your gold can neither awe nor buy, I will

swing you up around the Capitol—each one of you on a gibbet as high as Haman's: "When I think," says the author, "of that one man standing there at Washington, bat-tling against all the powers of bank and papic combined, betrayed by those in whom he trusted—assailed by all that the snake of mal ce could hiss or the fiend of falsehood how when I think of that one man placing his back against the rock, and folding his arms or the blow, while he uttered his yow; not swerve one incli from the course I have taken'-I must confess that the records o Rome-nay, the proudest days of Cromwell or Napoleon-cannot furnish an instance of a will like that of Andrew Jackson, when he placed life and soul and fame on the hazard

A Frozen Ship. A whaling vessel which sailed from London vainly entreating the Cerberus in the entry to in the year 1840, found in the Polar sea a present his card and request and interview ship embedded in the ice, with sails furled, office-seekers upon the White House was not the onbir was a young lady seated at the tain stood the cook, with the flint and tinder in hand, frozen, in the vain endeavor to strike the fire that could alone save them. The ter rors of the seamen led the captain from the spot, who took with him the log book, as the sole momento of the ill-fated ship. It appeared that she also was from London, and had been frozen in that place over fourteen years.

Tests of Character .- A great many adwith."

| comes, but patiently and uncomplainingly she
| What could be more despicable than this? takes her timely sent at the table. Though this weary mother—that her breakfast is cold before she has time to eat it? And this is not for one, but for every morning, perhaps, through the year. Do you call this a small thing? Try it, and see. OI how does woman shame us by her forbearance and fortitude in what are called little things! Ah, it is these little things which are the tests of character; chair is vacant and the hand which kept in once his imperial crown; and Queen Elizamotion all this domestic machinery is powerless beth sold her yery jewels.

> THE ROMAN SENTINEL. - When Pompey was destroyed, there were very many buried in the ruins who were afterwards found in very different situations. There were some found who were in the street as if they had been attempting to make their escape. They were some found in lofty chambers; but where did they find the Roman sentinel? They found him commanding at the city gate with his hand still grasping the war weapon, where he had been placed by his captain, and there while the heavens threatened him, the lavstream rolled, he had stood at his post, and

#### A Queer People. Chamber's Journal, discussing a recent

book of missionary travels in Africa, thus alludes to one of the fribes which are found in "But the strangest of all are the stories pan; with yellow boots like the fourth rob-ber in a stage play; with a sort of a sword warm bamboo woods to the south of Kaffa gun or gunsword for a weapon, that looks like and Susa. Only four feet high, of a dark olive color, savage and naked, they have neither houses nor temples, neither fire nor human food. They live only on ants, mice and serpents, diversified by a few roots and fruis; they let their nails grow long, like talous, the again turned it, and received its carefully better to dig for ants, and the more easily to guarded contents, concealed by a pocket handtear in pieces their favorite snakes! + They do not marry, but live indiscriminately lives of animals, multiplying very rap-

idly, and with very little maternal instinct The mother nurses her child for only a short time, accustoming it to eat ants and serpents as soon as possible; and when it can help itcan jump seventeen feet, four inches high self, it wanders away where it will, and the without a spring board; who can tie his legs mother thinks no more about it. The Dokes self, it wanders away where it will, and the mother thinks no more about it. The Dokes The gentleman percieving the discovery, adare invaluable as slaves, and are taken in large numbers. The slave hunters hold up bright colored clothes as soon as they some to he moist, warm hamboo woods where these numan monkeys live and the poor Dokes can-

In slavery they are docile, attached, obedient, with a few wants and excellent health .-They have only one fault -- a love of ants, mice and serpents, and a habit of speaking to Yer with their heads on the ground, and their heels in the air. Yer is their idea of a superior power, to whom they talk in this comical of President Jackson: "He was a man! nature when they are dispirited or angry, or Well I remember the day I waited upon him. known food. The Dokes seem to come near-

## Look Before You Kick.

A minister in on of our orthodox churches, them, they were so plumb, round and sweet. Of course she insisted on the minister taking some of the links home to his family alloob Breeding swine, both males and sows are jected on account of his not having his port allowed a little license in green pastures, but manteau along. This was overruled, and the the rest of the herd, from

to the good man's overcout. Of course this was a great annoyance, and he was several times under the necessity of kicking these whelps away. The obsequies at the grave completed, minister and congregation repaired to the church where the funeral discourse was

foot, gave a sudden kick and sent the good get their own living. brother sprawling full length on the floor:

"You will excuse me brethren hild sisters;" them? A correspondent wants to know if ryo either boiled or steamed. If boiled, said the minister confusedly and without look is the best article for them. Rye is only re-

# An Invitation to Dinner.

It was observed that a certain coveton ich man never invited any one to dine with "I'll lay a wager. "I get an invitation

The wager being accepted he goes the next lay to the rich man's house about the time he stocks his pasture with. Variety is bet he was to dine, and tells the servant he must speak with his master immediately, for he

ou can save ine a thousand pounds?" "Yes, sir, I can, but I see you are at din-

ner; I will go away, and call again." "Oh, pray, sir, come in and take dinner with me.

"I shall be troublesome." "Not at all."

The invitation was accepted. As soon a inner was over, and the family retired,' Well sir," said the man of the house.-Now to our business. Pray let me know how I am to save a thousand pounds?" "Well, sir, I hear you have a daughter to

dispose of in marriage.
" I have, sir." "And you intend to portion her with ten housand pounds?"
"I do sir."

"Why, then, sir, let me have her, and I will take her with nine thousand." The master of the house arose in a passion and kicked him out of doors.

ROYAL POVERTY.-The kings most engaged in war were always poor, and sometimes ex-cessively so. Edward III pawned his jewels to pay for foreign forces, and pawned his im-perial crown three several times, once abrond and twice to Sir John Wosenham, his lanker, in whose custody it remained no less than eight years. The Black Prince, as Walsingham informs us, was constrained to plede blest home is made beautiful to the eyes of angels, though we fail to see it, alast until the stool of silver which he had from Spain, and

> The following is one of the longest onuses in conversation over known. An old contleman, who was very sparing with his speech, was riding with his servant over Putney Bridgo, when suddenly turning around to his groom, he said, "John, do you like eggs?" "Yes, sir, was the reply." Here the conversation dropped. Some year of so afterwards, happening to ride over the same bridgo, he resumed, the conversation by saving, "How?" "Poached, sir," was the reply:
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> Here the conversation terminated at the same bridge, the capacity is nearly doubled by reducing the water to the temperature of the conversation terminated.

there, after a thousand years had passed away, he was afraid to fire. He, howeve pumper one at the control of loaded it, but was afraid to fire. He, howeve pumper one at the control of loading and so put in an a used. Impure water is more injurious than or liked the fun of loading and so put in an a used. Impure water is more injurious than other charges but was still arried to fire. He impure air?

A Moder Tennister - Jimmy get some kind-ling but without firing autiliher. Every morning we enter upon a now had got six charges in the old piece. His day carrying still an unknown future in its grandmother, learning his tomegity, smarrly, he m. Thoughts may be born to day, reproved him, and grasping the old continent with the recoil was treined. When the recoil was treined.

# The Man with A snake in his Hat.

story, which beats anything that we have read Going into a very public ordinary for dinner he was surprised to observe the extra care with which a gentleman who took the seat opposite to him, took off his hat; he turned his hat as nearly upside down as possible without breaking his neck; then placing his hand over the inside of his hat, he

"My dear sir, I was in hopes to have dined alone and not annoyed any one with my poor pet. Allow me to explain he is perfectly harmless; only a common black snake. I not resist the attraction offered by such superior people. They crowd around them, and rhoumatism; I have done so for a few weeks and I am cured positively of a most agonizing malady. I dare not yet part with him he memory of my sufferings is too vivid; all my care is to avoid discovery, and treat my

pet as well as possible in his irksome confine ment. I feed him on milk and eggs, and he loes not seem to suffer. Pardon me for the annoyance—you have my story; it is true, I am thankful to the informer for my cure, and to you for your coutesy in not leaving your dinher disgusted.'

#### A SWINE PASTURE.

The practice of good farmers differs in regard to the pasturage of swine according to their varying circumstances. In the East, while on his way to preach a funeral sermon where the country is densely populated, and in the country, called to see one of his members; an old widow lady, who lived near the to keep pigs in the pen for the greater part of road he was traveling. The old lady had just the year. The best farmers consider the pigbeen making sausages, and she felt proud of too valuable a laborer in manure making, to allow him to waste his energies in roming the

old lady, after wrapping them in a rag, care-months until they are slaughtered, are kept fully placed a bundle in each pocket of the in close pous and fattened as rapidly as posprecifier's expectants continuated Thus equipped, he sible Under this system, pigs. from started for the funeral. months to a year old are made to weigh about While attending to the solemn ceremonies three hundred pounds each, and to manufactor the grave, some hungry dogs seemed the sausages and were not long in tracking them. system is undoubtedly the best, where all the pasture is needed for cows and sheep and where large quantities of manure are needed

to be proteched.

After the servicin was finished, the injuster cases wild in the woods and doring a large halted to make some remarks to his congregation, when a brother, who wished to have an little prized and the only value of the pig is appointment given out, ascended the pulpit his flesh, when slaughtered. Without computers and gave the minister's coat a little to mitting ourselves at all to this method of makget his attention. The divine, thinking it a ing pork, it is conceded, that under certain dog having a design at his pocket, raised his circumstances it is desirable to have swine

ing at the work he had done, "for I could not | liable for a few months; and if sown at all, that dog has been trying to grab them ever since I came upon the premises."

Our readers may judge of the effect such an announcement would have at a funeral.

Simple Cure for Some Throat.—The edition of the Farmer and Gardener states that a funeral.

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There is unoused by the first states that a funeral. living like pigs in clover" and whatever past. seeds are sown, clover should have a prominent place among them. It furnishes a larger amount of leaves, than any of the grasses, and is greedily eaten by swine. They are not very particular as to the kind of green food they have, and a farmer may consult his own convenience as to the kind of grain, or grass

ter than any one kind. After the pasture is stocked, it would be an save him a thousand pounds.

Out came the master. "What is that, sir, unless their noses are jeweled to keep them. from rooting. It should not be fed closely. A frequent change from one field to another is desirable, both for the thrift of the plants the first of Sept., and keptin close pens. They can then be keptvery economically upon corn out by the rootts, for 2 months, and finished off in November with old corn, or nical.

Where a regular rotation is pursued, the last year of a field of grass may be devoted to the swine pasture. As the field is to be taken. and of the animals. Pigs to be fattened, in the Fall for wheat, .ye, or some other grain

> destroyed by the rooting of the swine. At one time during the fight at Boone ville, when bullets were flying thick, and Gen Lyon was at the head of the column mounted. ic undertook to dismount, that his position might be a trifle less conspic ous, when his horse suddenly jumped with fright, throwing the General to the ground, but without inju ring him seriously. The rumor suddenly spread through the ranks that General Lyon had been shot from his horse, and the indignation and cries of vengeance were terrific.

it will be of little consequence if the turf b

An eloquent negro orator thus concludes an account of the death of a colored brother: De last word dat he was heard to say, de last word he was known to utter, de last syllable scene on the death of the fourth bull. he ebber heabed, de last idea he ejaculated; yes, my bredderin, de berry last word he eber

IMPURE WATER .- "Set a pitcher of water in a room, and in a few hours it will have ab gases in the room, the air of which will have wards, happening to ride over the same or 1929, he resumed, the conversation by saving, "How?" "Poached, sir," was the reply,—by reducing the water to the temperature of by reducing the water kept in the room a while Here the conversation terminated. Hence water kept in the room a while is always nufft for user. For the same reason is always nufft for user. For the same reason is always nufft for user. For the same reason is always nufft for user. For the same reason is always nufft for user. is always unit for use: For the same reason and the water in a pump stock should always be oaded it, but was afraid to five Ale, however, pumped out in the morning, before any is a liked the fun of loading, and so put in an 2 used. Impure water is more injurious than

service of the government; and sternly to pund of the forest before, the Prassians would linve and whenever and wherever it makes shock time to arrive. It is swithout resource. It is swithout resource. It is swithout resource. The flee at of Wallington's above all things, his duty to keep important against would have been peace, the rappes of allows, and the recognition of the forest before, the rappes are the public service. It is swithout resource. The flee at of Wallington's niver yesterday." "The bannisters gone to discharged it. The recognition of the forest before, the rappes of the bannisters gone to discharged it. The recognition of the forest before, the rappes of the bannisters gone to discharged it. The recognition of the forest before, the rappes of the bannisters gone to discharged it. The recognition of the forest before, the rappes of the bannisters gone to discharged it. The recognition of the forest before, the rappes of the bannisters gone to discharged it. The recognition of the forest before the law and the last ban represent the sold leady, on her bands are still discharged it. The recognition of the forest before the law, which will never except the discharged it. The recognition of the forest before the law, which will never except the discharged it. The recognition of the forest before the law, which will never except the discharged it. The recognition of the forest before the law, which will never except the discharged it. The recognition of the forest before the law, which will never except the discharged it. The recognition of the forest before the law, which will never except the discharged it. The recognition of the forest bank and the last bank a

#### The Lancaster Examiner says, one of Dr. Dixon, in his New York Monthly Socilour florists sends us the following, with a repell states that a gentleman of the "highest veracity" related to him the following snake carefully read and practiced by every cultivator of plants:

How to WATER PLANTS .- As a rule, water

should never be given until a further with-bolding of it would be detrimental to the plants. Habitual watering does, in the majori-y of cases, more harm than good. Plants left to battle with drouth, send their roots down deep in search of moisture, and when rain does come, they benefit more by it than those that have regular waterings all along. If the ground is dug deeply, and kept in goo kerchief, in his hand; then gently laying the heart, plants that have once got established backcof his hand on the cushion, he slid the will bear drouth for any length of time, but hat and its contents off and comenced his dinner The attention of my hat; and his sur-prise greatly increased the friend was irresi-stibly direct towards, the reader may well Succulent vegetables, too, which ought to be imagine, on observing the head of a siezable kept growing quick, must have abundance and of course, plants in pots must of necessi ty have sufficient. There are two important points to be attended to in giving water; one is to expose the water to the sun before using it, to render it soft and warm, and the other to give the ground a thorough soaking at once ifficient to keep the ground moist for a week Supposing the supply to be limited, but regular, the best way of economizing both wa ter and time, is to take the garden piece, by piece, watering each piece thoroughly every evening, and then beginning again as at first.

> GROUND RICE PUDDING .- One pint nev nilk, 3 spoonsful of ground rice; stew it over the fire till of proper thickness; then stew one-quarter pound of butter, and grate in the rind of lemon. When cold, add three eggs well beaten; sugar to taste. A little brandy will improve it. Bake with crust round the

Delicious Tea, Cake. Beat to cream ounces of sweet butter; beat to a stiff froth t 1 pound of flour, together with the butter and a half of nutneg, grated: Bake in a pan lined with buttered papers. Almonds blanched and pounded may be substituted for the

To CLEAR COFFEE .- First, take the quantiy of coffee required, and pour on boiling water, then strain it, and add the white and shell of one egg, well beaten up. Boil for a few ininutes. If a strainer be not at hand, two tablespoonsful of cold water noured in the very gentle.

Tomaro Carsup. To a gallon of ripo to matoes put four tablespoonfuls of salt, four or ground black pepper, three tablespoonful of allspice, half a spoonful of cloves, three red pep-pers ground fine; simmer the whole slowly, with a pint of vinegar, three or four hour then strain through a serve, bottle and cork tight. The catsup should be made in a tin or porcelain utensil, and the later in the sea son it is made, the less liable it will be to

Botted Indian Pudding .- Take 6 cup sour milk, two eggs, 1 tenspoon heaping full of salaratus, 3 tablespoonfuls flour, 5 cups Indian meal, 2 tablespoonfuls molasses, or half cup sour-cream. Raising, or dried What sort of pasture shall be prepared for fruit, improve it very much. It is good quires a cup more meal, and 1 spoonful more four than when steamed.

tionably a good foundation for the proverb which he had been suffering for many years

Mr Smith, you said you once officiated

in a pulpit; do you mean that you preached? "No sir: I held the light for the man that

did." "Ah I the court understood you differently.

They supposed that the discourse came from "Me sir! I only throwed a little light upon

"No, levity, Mr. Smith. Crier, wipe your

Punning-A gentleman, named Dunlop, being present at a party where one of the company had made several puns on the names of persons present, remarked that he had never h erd his name punned upon, and didn,t believe it could be done, 'There is nothing in the world more easy sir, replied the punser. Just lop off the name, and it is Dun

During the first four mounths of the year the British importation of foreign bread-stuffs amounted to ninety mi lions of dollars. In 1860, for the same period, there were but twenty-two millions five hundred thousand.

The Empress of Austria has been atending a Spanish bull fight, in which eight eighteen horses and two men were bulls, eighteen horses and two men were killed. She withdraw, however, from the

When the English Parliament began was known to breave forth, sound or articulate, was Glory!" Such amplified perorations are sometimes to be heard from orators of renown.

IMPURE WATER—"Sate witches of making the first such as with a s "God and the Commonwealth are on different

> ILT An old buchelor being ill, his sister resented him a cup of medicine. What is it?" he asked.

She answered—
"It is clixir asthmatic, it is very aroman tic, and will make you feel ocstatic."
"Nancy," he replied, with a smile, "you are very sister-matic.'

An Irishman remarked to his companion on observing a lady pass, "Pat, did you ever see a woman so thin as that before?" "Thin," replied the other, botheration, I won a woman thin as two of her put together, I have."

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# Odds and Ends

Пот.—The weather.

Gen. Cass, now in his 78th year is said to have yet to taste the first drop of intoxica

Those who take no account of their sine in life may expect to be brought one day to a 'dead reckoning."

Some of the Wisconsin papers claim that the wheat crop in that State this year will reach twenty millions of bushels. The public speaker, who depends on

rhetoric instead of logic, fights with his open hand instead of his elenched fist. Why is a married man like a candle? Because he sometimes goes out at night when

The boy who was caught looking into he future, has been arrested for trying to see the show without paying.

"How did you like your visit to your weet heart?" Oh, I don't like the footing with which I was received by her father."

The only lash that a man does not object to being laid on his shoulder, is, the eye-lash of a pretty girl: "I believe, Miss, that you think I am "22 as old as Old Time in the primer." "Yes, sir, older; you haven't even a forelack."

A practical joker ought to be the best of auctioneers—jüdging by his success in selling his friends.

An empty bottle must cortanly be a very dangerous thing if we may judge from the fact that many a man has been found doad with one at his side. When Sheridan was asked at an ama-

teur play which performer, he liked, best he replied, "The prompter; for I saw less and heard more of him than any one clso?" A Scotchman visiting a church yard ith a friend, pointing to a shady quiet cook,

said, "This is the spot where I intend to be laid, if I'm spared." DA dancer once said to a Spartan, "You cannot stand on one leg so long as I can."
Perhaps not," said the Spartan; but any

True heroism consists in passing the ottle when you see that there is but one glass

wine left in it. The ocean, which is forever sounding, motimes gets sounded

The man who planted himself on his good intentions has not yet sprouted. Fame is like an cel-rather hard to

itch and a good deal harder to hold. By forgetfulness of injuries we show ourselves superior to them. The Richmond, Va., City Council has

ought a mansion in that town for \$50,000, or Jeff Davis as president of the Southern Confederacy. Ba Simplicy, refined and chaste, has boan-

y's charm to minds of taste. In the darkest hour of misfortune, there

a nana to guide, a love to save When malicious dames gather at a tea party Satan can afford to take a sucoze.

Many a man keeps on drinking till he liasn't a coat to either his back or his stomach. If every man and boy were to get all that they descrye, forests would soon run short

Tupper says, tis the horse and not the wagon that wearies. But we are very cor-

ain that we have seen a wagon tired. A nogro onco asked if his master was a christian. "No, sir, he's a member of Congress," was the reply.

It is said that Hon. Emerson Etheridge a candidate for Secretary of the U.S. Senate with a fair chance of being chosen. A celebrated author says that in sleep

we are especially open to heavenly influence. How about the nightmare.

The firmest friends ask the fewest fa-A negro was once asked if his master was a christian. '" No, sir, he's a member of Congress," was the reply.

If you think you are too, tall, marry an extryagant woman, and you will find yourself short enough. An editor down South apologises for

delay in the issue of his paper, as he had an extra "malo" to attend to during the week, The editor of the Charleston Mercury plains that his water pipe has been cut. Pity

In selecting a lawyer or doctor, take ne who has business enough to give him conidence, and not enough to make him care-Later Court of

Well Johney what kind of cake do you "Why I like sponge oake, and pound cake, and plum cake, and any kind of cake but stomach cak that I don't like at all, I

The pleasantest things in the world are pleasant thoughts, and the greatest art in life s to have as many as possible.

When we have a snug, comfortable theory, appear to us a very much attached they appear to us as a very much attached they will not square with it. If women seek distinction in fashiona-

le display, we should at least do their the justice to remember that this prety much the only avenue to distinction open to them. As there is much beast and some devil

in man, so is there some angel divinity in him.

The beast and the devil may be conpuered but in this life never destroyed. Day If you love others; they will love you.

If you speak kindly to them, they will speak kindly to you. Love is repaid with love and hatred. Would you hear a sweet and pleasantly yourself: captain of m.canal boat, ut West has just been, presented—with a service of five years in the penitentiary, in consideration of the distinctial guished ability with which he plundered a a passenger and kicked him dverboard.

"If you marry," said a Römku consul 'I to his son, "let it be a kyoman who has judged ment and industry enough to get a meal of of

victures, taste enough) to dress neat, pride enough, to wash before breakfast and sense enough to hold her tongue.