

The Corner.

The Grand Duchess Marie.—The Paris correspondent of the New York Evening Post writes: "The Grand Duchess Marie, sister of the present Emperor of Russia, has just gone to Compiegne. She and her suite have been occupying one end of the Louvre Hotel. One feature of her domestic arrangement was unique. She was the widow of the Duke of Leuchtenberg when she married her present husband, a young officer who pleased her, but in whose veins ran neither royal nor noble blood. Her father, the late Emperor Nicholas, was very much enraged when he heard of the marriage, which was altogether clandestine—that is the polite way of putting it—and he would not permit the children of this second marriage to share the privileges of the royal family. The consequence is that they have establishments, nurses, and teachers, entirely distinct from the children of the previous marriage, and never associate with them at any time, not even in their amusements. At the Louvre Hotel here one stock was bestowed on one side of the wing allotted to the family, and the other stock on the other side. Though they all call the same person mother, they never recognize in one another brothers and sisters. Indeed, neither the second stock nor the second marriage is mentioned in the Almanach de Gotha.

The Nouvelle, of Rouen, narrates the following curious anecdote: "M. Bota, son of one of the professors at the Academy of Caen, undertook a journey to China, and lived for some time at Canton. This was prior to 1830. He used to wear there a heaver hat in the European fashion, which suited him so well that he was unwilling to change it. However, when it was worn out, he applied to a Chinese hatter, and giving him all sorts of directions, told him to make another like it. The man went to work, and in a few days brought a hat of the required shape, not of heaver, but of some stuff very soft and glossy. M. Bota, on his return to France, preserved this curious specimen of Chinese workmanship, and wishing to have it repaired, trusted it to a hatter, who examined it carefully, and was much struck with its mode of fabrication, and a short time after, the present fashion of silk hats came in. The inventor patented his discovery, and made a large fortune, but held his tongue about the debt to the Chinese tradesman, who, seeking a substitute for the heaver which he could not procure, devised the plan of replacing it on the light tissue of silk which at present almost universally constitutes the outward covering of the modern hat.

Bells.—The invention of bells is attributed to Polonius, Bishop of Nole, Campania, about the year 400. They were first introduced into churches as a defense against thunder and lightning; they were first put up in Croyland Abbey, Lincolnshire, in 945. In the eleventh century, and later, it was the custom to baptize them in the churches before they were used. The earliest bell was established in 1078. It was rung at night in the evening, when the people were obliged to put out their fires and candles. The custom was abolished in 1100. Bellmen were appointed in London, in 1556. To ring the bells at night and cry out "Take care of your fire and candle; be charitable to the poor, and pray for the dead.

It is said that when a Frenchman has to wait he smokes, a German meditates, an Italian sleeps, an Englishman takes a walk, and an American invents some new contrivance of his limbs, and tries to put his feet higher than ever. In Livy we find it written that Hannibal said to Scipio: It had been a blessed thing for you and us, if God had given that mind to our predecessors, by which you had been content with Italy and we with Africa.

Tox Moon said to Peel, on looking at the picture of an Irish orator "You can see the very quiver of his lip." "Yes," said Peel, "and the 'arrab' coming out of it."

Four hundred years have elapsed since the invention of printing, yet books are not in circulation all over the globe; while the use of tobacco became universal within fifty years of its discovery.

A person having occasion to notify his doctor to visit his wife, said to him as he was stepping into the chaise; "Now, doctor, you'll drive to kill, won't you?" "Yes, certainly," replied the doctor.

The following is good advice to persons visiting offices and other business places: Shut the door, and when you are done talking, serve your month in the same way.

A gentleman who was requested during a late convention, to entertain some of the members, replied, that it would be impossible for him to comply, as his parlors were entirely dismantled and his kitchen de-ranged.

It is undoubtedly a duty to acquire riches, not for the condition which they make, but for the power they confer. The wisdom, however, proper to employ them demands even more earnest and honest endeavor.

Some men are indolent by nature; the marrow works out of their bones in infancy. Give them a streak of sunshine, and an empty barrel, and they will fall asleep at mid-day.

Such mental viands as are proper and wholesome for children should be seasoned with sugar, and such as are dangerous to them with gall.

Well, Captain, hi'm afraid we'll have a blow pretty soon—there's a storm brewing in the "ea-ens." "Brewing? What is it brewing?" "All."

"Caught in her own net," as the proverb is, she saw one of the fair ones who had bewitched her.

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