VARIETIES.

A Springfield girl has been fooled by a Bavarian nobleman. He brought her to New York, as the Union says, married her, and then ran away with her baggage.

What Idaho men don't know about whiskey generally is not worth worrying over; but they are puzzled about "crooked whiskey," and want to sample a little of "that new kind."

A man in New Hampshire had the misfortune recently to lose his wife. Over the grave he caused a stone to be placed, on which, in the depth of his grief, he had ordered to be inscribed: "Tears cannot restore her—therefore I weep."

Hon. W. A. Richardson died at Quincy, Ill., Monday morning, aged 64. He served five terms as a Representative in Congress from Illinois, and was chosen U. S. Senator, in 1860, for the unexpired term of Stephen A. Douglass.

Mary Fister, aged seventy-four years, died suddenly at Pottsville on Monday. Her death, it is believed, resulted from eating an apple or orange, a portion of which is supposed to have lodged in her throat.

A business house in Columbia has conspicuously displayed in its show window a man's skull, and printed in large letters across the forehead are these words of warning to the daily swarm of traveling salesmen: "This man was a bummer."

The Louisville Courier-Journal says that a poetical New Yorker, learning that the late M. P. Willis named his residence "Glen Mary," after his wife, concluded that that was just about the thing to do, and so he calls his house "Glen Matilda Jane."

The Rev. Mr. Mitchell preached a forcible sermon, in the Methodist Church at Aneram, N. Y., about hypocrites. Brother Porter believed that he was alluded to, and replied from the pew that the pastor was a liar. The service ended in disorder.

Bret Harte went to visit a relative in a suburb of Troy, N. Y., while the family was absent. He was muddy, and a servant mistaking him for a tramp, reluctantly admitted him to the kitchen, and left a coachman to watch him until her mistress came.

A Chinaman at Truckee, California, being detected the other day in an attempt to steal a piece of rubber hose, was kicked around the entire block by the irate owner, and after he had thoroughly exhausted himself and worn out the seat of the Celestial's pantaloons, John calmly propounded the following question: "You no likee lendum?"

Revivalist Hammond illustrates an argument with a horse-shoe magnet and nails of various sizes, from a tack to a railroad spike. He likens the magnet to Jesus. The tack typifies little children, and he shows how readily they cling to the magnet. A simple touch, too, attaches the shingle nail, which he likens to a youth. The larger nails are less and less affected, until the big spike—a tough old sinner of the most intractable kind—will not stir under the influences.

A book agent called on a farmer the other day, and was told that the farmer was too busy to talk with him. "But," said the agent, "your farm work is all done. You have nothing to occupy your time?" "Yes I have, too," retorted the farmer; "I've got to plant my foot and raise a book agent." And he did. He raised him about four feet.

The officers who searched the baggage of the wife of Joyce, the whiskey frauds convict, expecting to discover Government bonds, found a small tin box in a trunk; "Ah! here they are," said one; and Mrs. Joyce's request that they would not open it confirmed the impression. It was eagerly opened, and was found to contain a nursing bottle and other things for a baby.

An economical Japanese family can live on six cents a day at home; but to obtain the six cents is what causes the suffering.

In Japan a sun-shower is called "the Foxes' Wedding." In New England the natives mysteriously remark, "The devil is whipping his wife with a cod fish tail."

Some men are always lucky. A hunter of Brainerd, Minn., while out in the woods recently, discharged his gun to clear out the barrel, and unknown to him a fine buck happened to be in range and was shot through the heart.

Many British manufacturers and other employers, have lately changed pay day from Saturday to Monday for the sake of the workmen, many of whom have been in the habit of squandering their wages in dissipation on Sunday. A similar change is talked of in New England.

New Orleans is mystified by the sudden appearance of a young stranger who casually dropped into a billiard saloon the other day, said he'd try a game or two with the proprietor, "though he did'nt play much," and since that time has used up every good player that town can produce. He says he is "Mr. Drew, from Texas," but that sounds apocryphal.

We had always supposed that behind the screens one sees strung across the back end of a dressmaking establishment, was where they keep the wood box and coal scuttle, and innocently enough we started to go behind one the other day, to spit. No, it wasn't a ghost, for ghosts don't yell so, or jump over a cord of boxes, and try to hide behind a spool of thread, but there was enough of some-thing behind them to keep us in the front part of the shop after this.

The Concord (N. H.) Monitor says: "C. W. Moore received an application for a policy on the life of a man in Lancaster, a few days ago, which furnished the following remarkable record of longivity on both sides of his ancestors: Grandparents—On father's side: Grandfather, 110 years; grandmother, 95 years. On mother's side; Grandfather, 100; grandmother, 98 years. His mother is living, aged 105 years, and the father died at 103 years. He has eight brothers and sisters living, of the following ages: 70, 68, 66, 64, 62, 60, 58, and 45 years respectively. Five children died in infancy."

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