

The Centre Democrat.

BELLEFONTE, PA.

A Race For a Kiss.

How a Nevada Woman Cared Her Husband of Typhoid.

From the Virginia City Enterprise.

A butter peddler from Honey Lake relates, with great glee, how a neighbor of his was cured of too frequent tipping the gin bottle. This neighbor married a young, handsome and spirited lady, and for a month or two all went well in the house and about the farm; then the husband fell back into his old tricks. The wife remonstrated, and, for a time, the husband reformed. Presently, however, she became satisfied that the "bottle-tipping" was again going on. When she spoke to her husband about the matter he swore that the "aroma" she detected was that of a colic medicine he was taking, he having developed a most intractable colic, for the relief of which he had brought home, and paraded a bottle of medicine.

The wife was confident that there was kept somewhere about the premises a considerable store of a very different kind of medicine. She kept her own counsel, and, at the same time, strict watch. In a day or two she discovered under a manger in the barn the secret hoard. She said nothing of the discovery to her husband.

Soon after the husband had business at a neighbor's some two miles away. On his return he was somewhat surprised at seeing a note pinned upon his front door. He hastily advanced and read as follows:

Ben: You will find the key of the house where you keep your colic medicine. I have taken Kitty and gone home to my mother. Father and Brother Bob will come to-morrow for the trunk in which I have packed my things.

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The husband rushed to the barn. At a glance he saw that Kitty, his wife's mare and the side saddle were gone. Darting to the manger he hauled out his corpuent demijohn of gin, and suspended from its neck found the key of the house.

Securing the key, he sent the demijohn whizzing and crashing against the post of the barn. Bounding forth, he ran to and mounted the horse he had left standing in front of the house.

Away he dashed. It was ten miles to the house of his father-in-law, and he was determined to overtake his wife before she could reach it or kill a horse in the attempt.

Said the buttermilk: "Now I see Ben's wife come over the hill, half a mile south of my house, on her little mare Kitty, and begin to perform some queer abominations. After she'd got over the brow of the hill she paced up and down the road for a time; then she rid up and looked over the ridge for a while. After lookin' a bit she turned about and rid up and down the road a few times; then went up to the brow of the hill again. So she kept doin', and once or twice she got off and led Kitty up to the top of the hill.

"I was puzzled as whether she was waitin' for somebody or had lost some thing while on her way to her father's place some four miles beyond my house. I was just about to walk out that way when I saw her wheel Kitty round from the brow of the hill and began to ply her whip.

"In half a minute she was flyin' past my place like a wild woman. I stood at my front gate by the roadside, ready to holler out at her to know what was up, but, bless you, she never looked towards me. Her eyes seemed set in her head, her face was pale and at every jump she let into Kitty with a whip. I saw, her ridin' skirt fairly cracked as she bounded past.

"Just then I heard a tremendous clatter behind me. Turnin' about, I saw Ben a-comin' over the pitch of the hill on his big black horse, like a wild Comanche. He was ridin' with loose reins, leavin' away for 'ard and diggin' his big spurs into his horse like he'd rip his insides out.

"He passed by, with hair and coat-tails sailin' back in the wind, and never turning his head to right nor left. I thought I seed murder in his eye. I tell you, a million thoughts went through my brain in a second. All stories I'd ever heard about jealous husbands went through my head in a lump, and I do believe if I'd my gun in my hand I'd have taken a wing shot at him on suspicion.

I seed Nell look back once and then lay the whip on Kitty hotter'n ever. Ben was goin' like the wind. I knowed Nell was headed for her father's, and I seed plain as day that Ben would get her 'fore she was safe landed.

"At last he was upon her. It was then neck and neck for a time, with Ben reaching out for Kitty's bridle. At last he got it, and the two horses gradually slowed up until they finally stopped. I mounted my gate post all of a tremble, expectin' to see something dreadful happen.

"They stopped in the road talkin' nigh onto half an hour; then I seed Ben lean over and Nell lean over till their two heads came together.

"What the mischief!" says I, 'kissin' instead of killin'. Well, that sort of fracas gits me!" After the head-bumpin' the pair turned about and came slowly joggin' along back.

"As they passed me I call out to Ben to know what in the living jingo it all meant. Ben began to stammer some thing, 'bout half of which never got through his big beard, when Nell sings out to me: 'Only a race for a kiss!' and givin' Kitty a cut that made her bound ten feet, she called out to Ben: 'Come on! A race to the top of the hill for another!' and away they went.

"That was five years ago, and I never knowed the meanin' of that wild, harum-scarum ride till 'bout three months ago, when the story 'bout the colic medicine leaked out among the wimmin folks. For a good while after the ride, howsumever, I remember of the neighbor men wonderin' what had come over Ben that he had shut down on his gin all of a sudden, and wouldn't so much as take a glass o' Oregon cider.

"To this day no doubt Ben thinks he had a desperate chase after Nell and a narrow escape of her gettin' into the home den 'long with her big brother her father and his mother-in-law; and I've never said a word to him 'bout how she fooled 'long under the brow 'o the hill."

Lincoln at the Theatre.

His Interest in Plays and Players—Recollections of John T. Raymond.

From an Interview with the Washington Star.

"By the way," said Mr. Raymond, "Mr. Lincoln would often come down there at night and sit in the office. There's a point for you, if you want it. He would come in, sit there for an hour and chat, and very often go through the stage entrance into his box, sit there quietly and unobserved, see the performance, and then go back home. He always expressed himself as delighted to get away from business and take an hour of recreation at the theatre. The characteristics of the man were so noble so simple and grand! He seemed to enjoy, when he came to the theatre, his freedom from business and cares of state. I remember," he ran on, "one night we were playing 'Pocahontas,' a burlesque, with Mrs. John Wood. In those days, when they caught a pick-pocket in the streets here the soldiers would placard him, 'This is a pick-pocket' and send him around the streets to the tune of the 'Rogue's March,' so the people would know him, and we were burlesquing that on the stage. Little Tad Lincoln, the son of the president—he is now dead, poor boy! a jolly little fellow, everybody liked him—came down very often with his father, and he was there that night. He was hanging around the stage, and for the fun of the thing I put him in a ragged dress and set him on the stage in the mob in one of the scenes. Mr. Lincoln, who was in his box, saw the boy. Well, he laughed heartily and long, threw his hands up in the air, and let one of them drop over the side of the box. The audience saw the hand and recognized it. There was no hand in the world like Mr. Lincoln's—so long and bony. They recognized it and shouted for him. He had to come to the front of the box and bow. When Tad went into the box Mr. Lincoln threw his arms around him and the scene between the father and the boy was most delightful. The pleasure, the affection of the father was so intense, so spontaneous, and it was glorious to see him. Why, at that time if any body had wanted to seize Mr. Lincoln they could have done it readily. He most always came to the theatre alone. He would go to the box office and then pass on in. Sometimes he would stand on the stage a few minutes. He seemed to enjoy everything he saw, and was a most hearty laugher."

"Did you have much experience with him as a story teller?" inquired the reporter.

"Oh, yes, I heard him tell lots of stories. I cannot remember the stories now, of course. He had a knack of illustrating his points by some comparison which was always effective. Everything he said had a meaning in it, and was expressed so that it would bring its full meaning home to the most ignorant person. He was—if I can use such an expression—the most illustrative man I ever met in my life. He could illustrate by a jest or a little anecdote, which would have a volume of significance."

"Puritanical!" exclaimed the gentleman, who was now half Mr. Raymond and half Major Bob, as he turned around from the mirror at a suggestion of the reporter that some people thought Mr. Lincoln austere and puritanical. "There was nothing of the kind in him. He loved life and its innocent pleasures. He was one of the most liberal and at the same time most thorough men in every respect. He was splendid company, and always jolly

and pleasant on the stage. He was interested in everything he saw and always had a kind word for everybody. He was friendly with all the actors. I think he used to entertain Hackett at the White House. He was a warm patron of the theatre and seemed to love it. When he came down it always seemed to me that he wanted to get away and be alone. He would sit in his box often when the audience had no suspicion that he was there."

The Isthmus Canal.

How the Work is Progressing—Few Obstacles in the Way.

Charles de Lesseps, son of Count Ferdinand de Lesseps, and M. Dauzats and Captain Richter, of the Panama Canal Company, arrived in this city yesterday morning by the steamer Colon from Aspinwall. M. de Lesseps was seen at the Windsor hotel by a Tribune reporter last evening and conversed freely about the progress of the canal company's work on the isthmus. In regard to the time of completing the canal, he said: "It was well known by those who took an interest in the project that the first two years were to be devoted to preparation, and that work was to be begun in the third year, and that 1888 was to see the marriage of the two oceans. Such was the programme of my father, and I have no apprehension but that it will be successfully carried out."

"In what state is the work now?"

"We are now at the beginning of the third year and at the beginning of the work. We have established a line of villages from Colon to Panama. The country has been thoroughly surveyed and the actual work of excavating begun. Two large dredgers are at work at Colon, two ready to begin work, one crossing the ocean, and a third very large one from Philadelphia was met by us being towed into the harbor of Colon as we were coming out. Steam excavators are at work all along the line."

"How many men have you employed on the work now?"

"We have at present 7,000."

"Is there any difficulty on account of the sanitary condition of the country?"

"Well, as to that," said M. de Lesseps, motioning toward himself and M. Dauzats, both of whom are very pictures of health, "we are specimens of what the climate does for Europeans. We have been there three months, and traveled over every part of the line of the proposed canal. Of the 7,000 men employed, only 200 are in the hospitals of the company. Of these, only fifteen per cent. were seriously ill."

"Work will be carried on both sides of the isthmus, will it not?"

"Yes, in a week or so the Franco-American Dredging Company will have dredges at work in Panama. Though excavating and dredging is now going on with all possible rapidity, it will be a year before the work will begin to look like a canal."

"Have the engineering difficulties to be overcome been as great as was anticipated?"

"No; they have been very much less. Some of the hills to be removed, which were thought at first to be solid rock proved to be mostly of soft earth, and altogether it will be a much easier job than was anticipated."

"Do you apprehend any hindrance to your work in consequence of the Monroe doctrine?"

"The control of the canal is a question for nations, not for the canal company. The canal company is a business firm, having nothing to do with international politics. It is universal, and is for all nations alike. We shall simply go on and build the canal as any company would undertake a piece of work."

"Has the Colombian government made any preparations for fortifying the ends of the canal?"

"The company has no connection with the Colombian government, except the contract in regard to the digging of the canal."

Why Judge Black Uses the Weed.

Not long ago Judge Black met a gentleman who pathetically related his endeavors to break himself of tobacco chewing, as it met with the unqualified condemnation of all civilized people. "You'll find it a hard case—a hard case, my friend," replied the Judge with a solemn wink. "I tried to break myself of it once—didn't I ever tell you? Well, it was when I was Attorney General, and I said to myself: 'Jeremiah Black, we've got to stop this thing.' So I made up my mind, and one morning I went down to my office without a scrap of tobacco. I began the day badly, and it got worse by degrees. I never felt so rough like a savage in my life. I dismissed two clerks, bounced a messenger, made a fool of myself three or four times, snapped at everybody and started he me feeling myself to be a total failure and all creation a mistake. On the way I met a man whom I respected very much. He was a religious man. I told him my experience with leaving off tobacco and asked his advice. 'Judge,

he said, 'my experience is the same as yours. I tried to leave off, too. I quarreled with several members of the church. I belonged to, thought the minister was a fool, got tired of my wife, and if I had kept it up I should have been a moral monster—and I determined to circumvent the old enemy by taking up my cherished vice,' and so" continued the Judge cheerfully, "I saw that tobacco chewing was conducive to virtue, and (cutting a quid) I propose to keep it up until I leave it off!"—New York World.

CAPTAIN DeLONG'S CHEST.—To day at the Navy Department, the original inventory of the contents of Capt. DeLong's chest, found by the relief party near the spot where Capt. DeLong and his party perished, was compared with the articles in the chest.

Most of the articles were found in the same condition as when they reached here and were placed in the hands of the Jeannette Board. The chest contains a number of hunting knives, caps, straps, compasses, long memorandum and other books, medicine cases. Some curiosities, such as vultures' teeth, moss stones, etc., picked up at Herald and Bennett Islands and other points on the route taken by the Jeannette. There are among them several little personal trinkets belonging to the crew. They will be placed on exhibition at the Smithsonian Institute.

A Remarkable Case.

DR. HARTMAN.—Dear Sir: I am induced by a sense of duty to the suffering to make a brief statement of your remarkable cure of myself. I was a most miserable sufferer from the various annoying and distressing diseases of delicate persons, which caused me to be confined to my bed for a long time, being too weak to even bear my weight upon my feet. I was treated by the most reputable physicians in our city, each and all saying that they could do nothing for me. I had given up all hopes of ever being well. In this condition I began to take your *Malaria* and *Perna*, and, I am happy to say, in three months I was perfectly well—entirely cured without any appliances or support of any kind.

Yours truly,
MRS. HENRY ELLIS.

No. 500 Scott street, Milwaukee, Wis. 15-21.

Can't Get It.

Diabetes, Bright's Disease, Kidney, Urinary or Liver Complaints cannot be contracted by you or your family if Hop Bitters are used, and if you already have any of these diseases Hop Bitters is the only medicine that will positively cure you. Don't forget this, and don't get some puffed up stuff that will only hurt you. 15-21.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS.

Are you disturbed at night and broken of your rest by a sick child suffering and crying with pain of cutting teeth? If so, send at once and get a bottle of Mrs. WIGGLES' SOOTHING SYRUP FOR CHILDREN TEething. It is valuable. It will relieve the poor little sufferer immediately. Depend upon it, mothers, there is no mistake about it. It cures dysentery and diarrhoea, regulates the stomach and bowels, cures wind colic, soothes the gums, reduces inflammation, and gives tone and energy to the whole system. Mrs. WIGGLES' SOOTHING SYRUP FOR CHILDREN TEething is pleasant to the taste, and is the prescription of one of the oldest and best female physicians and nurses in the United States, and is for sale by all druggists throughout the world. Price 25 cents a bottle. 5-7-ly.

Itching Piles—Symptoms and Cure.

The symptoms are moisture, like perspiration, intense itching, increased by scratching, very distressing, particularly at night, seems as if pin-worms were crawling in and about the rectum; the private parts are sometimes affected. If allowed to continue very serious results follow. "SWAYNE'S OINTMENT" is a pleasant, sure cure. Also for Tetter, Itch, Salt Rheum, Scald Head, Erysipelas, Barbers Itch, Rheumatism, all scaly, crusty Skin Diseases. Sent by mail for 50 cents; 3 boxes \$1.25. (In stamps.) Address, DR. SWAYNE & SON, Philadelphia, Pa. Sold by Druggists. 5-8-ly.

Swayne's Pills—Comforting to the Sick.

Thousands die from neglect to properly treat Impure Blood, Constipation, Dyspepsia, Malaria, Apoplexy, Liver, Kidney, Heart Diseases, Dropsy, and Rheumatism. But to the debilitated, burdened with such serious sickness, we conscientiously recommend "SWAYNE'S PILLS," which contain medicinal properties possessed by no other remedy. Sent by mail for 25 cents, box of 30 pills; 5 boxes, \$1. (In stamps.) Address, DR. SWAYNE & SON, Philadelphia, Pa. Sold by Druggists. 5-8-ly.

New Advertisements.

\$66 a week in your own town. Terms and \$5 out of it free. Address H. HARELETT & CO., Portland, Maine. 15-ly

Gillespie Tool Company, Pittsburgh, Pa. Manufacturers of Drilling Machinery & Tools, for Oil, Gas, & Water Wells. Our new "PENNSYLVANIA" DRILLER is the fastest Drilling Machine in the country. 12-24.

For Sale.

A FARM containing Fifty Acres and having thereon erected a TWO-STORY FRAME BUILDING and outbuildings. The farm is situated on the road to the R.R. station, and is a desirable place for a residence. Address, J. B. ERIEST, Unionville, Centre county, Pa. 15-ly

New Advertisements.

SHERIFF SALES.

BY virtue of sundry writs of Fieri Facias, Levari Facias and Venditioni Exponas, issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Centre county, and to me directed, there will be exposed at public sale in the Court House, in Bellefonte, on Saturday, April 21, A. D. 1883, at 1:30 o'clock P. M., the following described real estate of the defendants, to wit:

No. 11. All those certain messuages and tracts of land situate in Gregg and Miles townships, Centre county, Pa., bounded and described as follows, to wit: Beginning at a store house along land of David Hoy and Christian Houtz, north 20° west 12 1/2 feet perches to a stone, thence along land of said C. Houtz, and thence 24° east 12 1/2 feet perches to a stone, thence 62° west 22 perches to a stone, thence south 70° west 12 1/2 feet perches to the place of beginning, containing 4 acres and 1/2 perches, less measure. Also one other tract or lot of ground situate in Gregg township, adjoining the above mentioned tract of land beginning at a stone, thence along land of David Hoy and Christian Houtz, north 20° west 12 1/2 feet perches to a stone, thence 24° east 12 1/2 feet perches to a stone, thence 62° west 22 perches to a stone, thence south 70° west 12 1/2 feet perches to the place of beginning, containing 20 perches, and one other tract or lot of ground situated in Gregg township, adjoining the above mentioned tract of land beginning at a stone, thence along land of David Hoy and Christian Houtz, north 20° west 12 1/2 feet perches to a stone, thence 24° east 12 1/2 feet perches to a stone, thence 62° west 22 perches to a stone, thence south 70° west 12 1/2 feet perches to the place of beginning, containing 20 perches, and one other tract or lot of ground situated in Gregg township, adjoining the above mentioned tract of land beginning at a stone, thence along land of David Hoy and Christian Houtz, 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