

George W. Childs, of Philadelphia recently expressed a small package to General Grant in New York containing a small daguerreotype of the President taken when he was only twenty two years of age. The picture represents a smooth faced, stoutly built young man, attired in the uniform of a second lieutenant. The daguerreotype has quite a history. In 1884, shortly after the General graduated from West point Military Academy, and while stationed with his regiment in Texas, he formed the acquaintance of Mrs. G. B. Bailey, the mother of his most intimate associate in the regiment, and after a short time he sent her the picture with a letter, in which he describes his novel experience in camp and on the march. Mrs. Bailey kept the letter and picture until long after the war, and at her death they fell into the hands of her daughter, Mrs. Lucinda Powers who sent them to Mr. Childs. Several weeks ago General Grant, when recalling the portraits of the earlier days, with a view of securing the possible likeness with which to illustrate his book, he thought of his old friend, Mrs. Bailey, and sent a communication to Mrs Powers, asking for a loan of the picture. The letter was forwarded by Mrs. Powers to Mrs. Childs, and the correspondence, will form a part of the history of the war now being prepared by General Grant.

Bald Heads in the Senate.

Senator Edmunds, the presiding officer of the Senate, has fallen into a habit of wearing a black silk skull cap. He is very bald, and the air of the Senate Chamber is uncomfortably cool to exposed cranial surfaces, causing colds and consequent inconveniences. So he wears this little black cap all the day, in the committee room in the chair of the Vice-President's chamber and in the chair of the Senate as its presiding officer. It looks odd to see the presiding officer of the Senate sit in his official seat with his head covered, while all others of that body uncover their heads in his presence. And there are some other heads in the chamber quite as bald as his. The nearest approach to the system which Senator Edmunds has inaugurated is the course of Senator Williams, the hero of Cerro Gordon. He wears a wig. It is very neat and very well fitting, but he has a way when he has occasion to stroke one side of it of taking hold of the opposite to keep it in place, thus giving the illusion away at once. Senator Coke, of Texas, is one of the balddest men in the Senate. There is a vast expanse of "forehead" extending away over the top of his head and down in the rear so far that there is only a fringe of gray hair running round from one ear to the other. Indeed, the fringe may be said to run clear round, for it is heavier in front, where there is a bunch of white beard. Cameron, of Wisconsin, is quite as destitute of capillary covering as those mentioned. His rather small head and retreating forehead fairly glistened in their nakedness, while on his face, in marked contrast, is a full growth of snowy white beard. Senator Harris, of Tennessee, is another bald one. He has a peculiar shaped head, very wide at the back and narrow in front. The fringe of hair running around the vast expanse of baldness is white as the driven snow. Latham and Sawyer are also baldheads but the other Senators are fairly well supplied with head covering.

Mrs. Minks—"Oh! yes; you can talk about single blessedness; but, all the same, statistics prove, that more bachelors than married men commit suicide."

Mr. Oldbaco—"Yes; that is true." "Oh! you admit it yourself then! Now please explain why they commit suicide."

"They are driven insane by other people's babies."

"YER HONOR, will you excuse me from serving?" "Why should I excuse you," asked Judge Garry.

"I have a good excuse yer Honor." "State excuse," said the Judge, "or take your seat among the jurymen."

"I has ther itch, yer Honor." "Scratch him off, Mr. Clerk," said the Judge.

The Thing in California

CONSTANT USEFULNESS OF THE DICE BOX AMONG THE LEADING CITIZENS.

California's hospitality is more remarkable than that of Germany. I have experienced it in the following impressive and peculiar manner. Any how, the peculiarity is so noticeable that the newcomer is always surprised by it. The other day I called on a leading business man and was engaged with him until noon, and our affairs were not yet settled when he invited me out to lunch with him. As he is a man whose business runs away up into the millions annually, I supposed he would go to some neat restaurant and enjoy a civilized lunch, and the belief was made stronger when he led the way toward the restaurant of the Palace Hotel, the finest place of the kind in America and yet the cheapest. But, alas for human expectations! he turned to the left and entered the bar room. Walking up to the bar he said to the attendant: "Give us the bones."

The bar keeper at once handed him a little round box containing the five dice. He took the box, rattled it awhile and emptied it upon the counter. The bar keeper drew aside two of the dice, put the other three back in the box, and my friend spilled them out again. Then the barkeeper put all of them back in the box and passed it over to me, with the remark, "shake." I shook and spilled the dice, and my friend said, "Will you fill or throw again?" I thought I would throw again, though I did not know what he meant. When I had spilled the dice again he only remarked, "Its on you whiskey in mine." I have been around enough to know that I was to pay for the drinks, which were twenty-five cents each. Then my friend turned around to the free lunch counter and proceeded to fill himself. I feared he was absent minded and remarked to him: "Ain't you afraid you will destroy your appetite for lunch?"

"That's just what I am trying to do or I wouldn't be eating lunch here. What do you have for lunch at bars where you came from?" he asked.

"Usually cloves or burned coffee," I answered, for I had Indianapolis bar room lunches in my mind. Then my friend informed me that this was the lunch that he had invited me to, and that as it was a "stand-up lunch" it was quite popular with all classes.

Later in the day I was sitting in the office of another leading merchant when a fruit peddler came in with his basket full of truck on his arm.

"Want anything to-day?" he asked.

"Yes give me a shake," said the merchant. The peddler at once drew a dice-box from his pocket and they proceeded to shake and I knew the merchant was head, because the fruit dealer remarked "Oh h-l pick em out. The merchant took two large apples from the basket, and handing me one, remarked, as the peddler passed out:

"I don't pay for half the fruit I eat; in fact, I nearly always come out ahead of those fellows."

Upon inquiry I learned that this practice of gambling is quite general and that even sober business men who are active and liberal in church and Sunday school affairs do not regard it as at all improper.

Important Sales of Timber Lands.

Mr. George Schwem, of this place, recently sold an eleven hundred acre tract of timber land on Big Run, Jefferson county, to P. Billmyer & Co., of Lewisburg, Pa. The property is heavily timbered with pine and hemlock. Mr. Schwem has also disposed of a one hundred acre tract on the North Fork, in the same county, to P. B. Crider, of Bellefonte. This about all pine and it is estimated it will cut about five million feet. The amount received for the two tracts is about \$74,000, and Mr. Schwem realized a handsome sum on the sale. He has purchased seventy-five acres of white pine on the North Fork from E. Darrah, of Brookville, and one hundred and twenty-five acres on Stump Creek, of Jacob Smith.

Messrs. P. Billmyer & Co., the purchasers of the Big Run tract, are extensive lumbermen. They recently purchased the Anthony lot on the East Branch, in the same vicinity, and having leased the McClure mill at Big Run are putting it in perfect order, and it is very probable they will erect another mill at that place. In addition to the purchases spoken of they have bought 100,000 feet of square timber from T. Pantall & Co., which they intend cutting into bill stuff for the eastern market. Being live enterprising men, we welcome them to this section, and predict that the lumber interest will receive a lively impetus reason from their coming.—Du Bois Express.

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Frances C Miller, by her next In the Court of friend John Gibbooy, Common Pleas of Centre Co., Jackson's Harrow Miller, No 248, Ang. T, 1884, SUBPOENA IN DIVORCE.

The undersigned, a commissioner appointed to take testimony in the above stated case, will attend to the duties of his appointment, at his office in Bellefonte, on Friday, the 24th day of April, A. D. 1885. A. WILLIAMS, COMMISSIONER.

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James Dunn, of 1370 Gay street, St. Louis, has suffered from catarrh since 1870. The gentleman told the reporter the following straightforward story of his case. "I took the disease in Memphis. It commenced in my head and extended to my throat, and a bad cough followed. I went to a number of physicians, and they told me my trouble was liver disease, and one said it was palpitation of the heart that caused the cough. For the last year I have been practically worthless. I could not ascend a flight of stairs without suffering from shortness of breath and fast beating of the heart, and my appetite was very defective. After eating I often coughed so hard that I would throw up everything in my stomach. I could not walk any distance without panting. Five weeks ago I went under the care of Dr. Hartman, and now my cough has disappeared and I feel like a new man." PERUNA was his treatment.

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