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17 In Switzerland the progress of drunkenness is so great, that in many agricultural and manufacturing communes, the municipal revenues are absorbed in relieving the wants of families whose heads have become habitual drunkards. In several places houses of correction are being built for the purpose of confining the poor wretches who have failen victims to this disease. It is stated, on good authority, that in ten years there has been an increase of public houses in the single canton of Geneva amounting to thirty-four per cent., and that there is now one place where intoxicating drinks are sold for every seventy-two inhabitants.

Inauguration of the Mont Cenis Tunnel.

The official inauguration of the Mont Cenis tunnel took place on the 17th inst., all inaugural arrangements being carried out with marked success. A train, consisting of twenty-two carriages, occupied by various dignitaries including representatives of France and Italy, the directing engineers of the work, and many other officials, was run in safety through the tunnel, occupying about twenty minutes in passage.

Telegrams announcing the inauguration of the tunnel were afterwards sent to the French and Italian governments, and replies were received, congratulating the directors upon the successful termination of this gigantic enterprise.

The New York Muddle.

One of the most remarkable legal fights of the century is now going on in New York. The injunction asked for by the people's committee to prevent the paying oat of money by the Controller and Mayor has been granted. Then before the investigation could be commenced a large number of vouchers were stolen from the Controllers office. The Mayor insinuates that these were stolen by Connolly the Controller and consequently asks his resignation, which Connolly obstinately refuses. The Mayor then tries to turn him out, and offers the place to Gen. McClellan, who refuses to take any part in the matter. In the meantime Connolly hunts up a clause in the law which gives him authority to appoint his own deputy, for a specified period who shall exercise all the powers of Controller. He consequently appointed Mr. Andrew Green who has-what is not often found among politicians-a reputation for honesty and integrity, besides being a good financier, but unfortunately for the Mayor and the Tammany ring, he belongs to the other wing of the party. And now when people remember the saying as to what thirty inches long, was recently sold by happens when thieves fall out, the honest John Thompson & Co., of New York, for portion of the community take fresh courage, and are instituting vigorous measures to ascertain how much has actually been stolen and who is the thief. May success attend their efforts.

O'Brien menagerie troupe has just been discovered in Stormville, Dutchess county, where the troupe performed on Thursday night. Connected with the troupe is a performer known as Ataline, the man of the iron jaw, and a French woman, who is called the strong woman. They had a little boy, seven years of age, who, it is said, was purchased in Paris for \$100 as an auxilliary to them in their performances. The little fellow was thrown about by the man in various ways at the peril of his life.

Starved to Death.

In one scene he was fastened to the ironjawed man by a bolt, and the two were drawn from the ground to the top of the tent, where the man fired a pistol and was let down ; then in the same way the little fellow was hoisted up the same distance, hanging by ingenious contrivances from the man's jaw. He was also required to aid the French woman in a scene where she placed a six-pounder on her shoulder, and he got up on it and discharged it. It was therefore necessary that he should not beome too heavy for the business.

While the company was in Stormville the French woman is alleged to have tied the little boy's hands behind him and shut him in a room alone. Staggering to the window, he begged of the cook to put up a ladder and give him a piece of bread and butter. She had to throw it on the floor, and he snatched it up and devoured it eagerly. Another boy, said to be the real son of the French woman, noticing the movement, informed her of it. She at once flew into a a rage, and going to the boy's room, beat him unmercifully, saying, "How dare you do so, when I told you if you did I would pound you?" The little fellow begged of her not whip him, for he would not do it again. He did not look as though he had a drop of blood in his body. When his condition was ascertained, a Dr. La Mont was called in, but he died the same night and was buried the next morning. The doctor said he died of starvation.

The monsters were once arrested in Philadelphia for cruelty to this same child, but they managed to escape punishment.

Choked to Death by a Tree.

A very sad accident occurred near West Salem, Wisconsin, on Saturday, the 16th inst., whereby a workman by the name of Oleson, in the employ of Mr. John Odell, met with his death. Mr. Odell is a well-todo farmer living in Salem, and on Saturday was hauling wood and timber from his farm, Oleson chopping it for him.

He left Oleson in the timber and went into Salem with a load. On returning he found that Oleson had cut a tree down which had fallen on him, a limb about the size of one's wrist striking him on the throat, and holding him down on his back. Oleson was dead, the limb having choked him to death, and grass was torn up on both sides as far as he could reach, where he had vainly endeavored to free himself from the death clutch of the fatal limb.

Mr. Odell said he could not have been absent more than half an hour before returning after another load, and found his hired man dead. His body was not bruised or hurt in any way except by the limb that held him down to sure death.

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Where is the Difference?

This is a curious world. Two months ago oue B. F. Simmons eloped from St. Paul with a married lady, both of them leaving families behind them. Both were in "good society." Both were excrecated. The other day they both returned. The woman was met with reproaches and epithets. Old friends cut her on the streets. A divorce was demanded by her aggrieved husband. She was voted an outcast. How about Simmons? Simmons was a man, you see, and that makes a difference, you know. His wife and weeping friends welcomed him with embraces-the poor, misled prodigal. His cronics laughed with him gaily on his gallantry. That night he drove around town with his family, behind dappled greys, and bowing and smiling patronizingly.

Mrs.--- no matter about the other name, is literally spurned and driven from her home by all who know her, while her paramour and the equal criminal has not even for a moment lost his business footing, and is just as much the favorite in society as ever. For he is a man, you know. Why is this? It is wrong. One of three things ought to come to pass. Either a woman's lapse from virtue ought to be regarded with more charity, or else the man who drags her down ought to be held to an equal punishment-or else polygamy ought to be established at once, and Brigham Young elected President. It is simply shameful that women should be punished ten times as severely as men for the same sin.

A Terrible Explosion.

A correspondent says that a terrific explosion occurred at Fall Creek coal company's mines, on the morning of the 16th inst., occasioned by a miner entering the powder house (a wooden structure) and emptying his tobacco pipe upon the floor, where some loose powder was scattered. At the time of the casualty, powder was being issued by Mr. W. K. Taylor, clerk from the store, and there were present five miners with tin cans, waiting to be served with powder preparatory to entering the mines

Mr. Taylor (clerk,) and Burns and Lawler, miners, are in a very critical condition, and their recovery is considered extremely doubtful. Their clothes were nearly all burned off, and the flesh on their faces, breasts, arms and hands is literally roasted having the sinews and bones exposed. Their condition is heart-siekening and painful to witness. The other three miners, Andrews, Lulhier and Whalan although badly burned and otherwise injured are convalescing. A man who don't know any better than to empty a pipe in a powder magazine ought to be blown up, or, kept in a lunatic asylum.

An Unlucky Sleep.

One day last week a lady was picked up beside the track of the P. and E. railroad badly injured. She was a passenger on a train, and supposed she fell off while asleep. She states that she has no recollection of the accident, other than that she was dreaming of cutting sugar for her children, and, having given out the last, started for more. This, she asserts, was the last she could recall to mind before finding herself in the sad plight by the track. Persons who walk in their sleep had better tie themselves into the seat before indulging in a nap in a milroad train.

Fortune Hunters.

James Neely, living near Ripley, Ohio, died recently, leaving a fortune in money supposed to amout to \$15,000, but as no one knows where the old gentleman kept his treasure the heirs are left to the task of hunting it up. They have gone to work vigorously with pick and shovel, and have dug the farm on which Neely lived from center to circumference. On his death-bed Neely refused to give his children information as to where he had secreted the money.

A Balky Pair.

The Legislature of Illinois, it is reported, will be placed in an embarrassing situation by the action of the presiding officers of the two bodies of which it is composed. The Speaker of the House of Representatives, it is asserted, intends to summon that body to meet in special session in Chicago, on November 15th, and Licutenant Governor Dougherty intends to summon the Senate to meet at Springfield, the State capital on the same day.

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There is no more sense in individuals holding diverse political notions letting that fact cause personal dissentions than there is in persons quarreling because they belong to different churches. A free government, like our own, is based upon the fullest toleration of sentiment in regard to political matters. A citizen who would proscribe or ostracise another for holding opinions differing from his own, is not fit to be free himself. If he had the power he would be a despot, and banish, imprison or guillotine his opponents as is done in Prance. A man that has not moral courage enough to utter and to act out, by voting, his honest convictions in regard to this or that party, is to be pitied. He should remember, "it is a base abandonment of reason to abandon our right of thought," and of action also.

Dog Treeing a Catfish.

possible, continues.

The following, says a Germantown Telegraph writer, will sound somewhat odd, yet it is literally true : Some years since the Missouri river was unsually high, when the finny tribe ventured far out on what is usually dry land. In a bottom a few miles below us, a farmer was out in the woods, after the flood had subsided, when his dog began barking furiously at a large log, some distance off. On going there what should be find but a catfish of fifteen pounds, fast in the end of the log, which was partly closed at that end and still contained water. The fish evidently went in to get food but miscalculating his horns got fast.

A Man Dies of Glanders.

A Hagerstown special to the Baltimore Sun says: A farmer residing near Weavertown on the Potomac, died from having been poisoned in consequence of getting the virus of a glandered horse into a small sore on his finger. He survived only six or seven days, breaking out in the meantime all over with putrid sores, suffering intense agony until mortification supervened. His attending physician had no doubt of the malady being contracted as above stated. So offensive, fearful and repulsive was the corpse that with great difficulty could any one be induced to go near it to aid in its interment.

Wholesale Escape of Convicts.

An outbreak occurred on the 18th ins in the Nevada State prison. Five of th guards and Lieutenant Governor Deny were wounded in endeavoring to quell t disturbance. Matt Pidley, the propriet of the Warm Spring, was shot and kille Twenty-nine prisoners escaped.

The fight was one of the most despera on record. Nearly every officer and guar and several of the prisoners, were wounde Lieutenant Governor Denver was sh through the hip, and now lies in a critic condition.

Explosion of 300 Kegs of Powder.

On Saturday the 16th, inst., nearly t whole town of Pioche Nevada was destro ed by a powder explosion and fire th followed. Three hundred kegs of powd were kept in the cellar of Teisanthal & Co. who supplied the miners of that vicinity, and the whole anfount exploded scattering the timbers of the premises for half a mile, shaking every building in town and totally destroying a great number. The loss is over a quarter of millions of dollars.

Explosion of Fire Works.

Last week one day as a truckman was loading a truck with fireworks, packed in boxes, in front of the fireworks depot, at 126 Beekman street, N. Y., a sudden explosion occurred, which blew the truck to pieces, killed two men, and seriously injured a number of others. The dead were taken to the station-house, and the wounded to the hospital.

13" On Sunday the 17th, inst., while playing with a number of companious on the highway, at Forrestville, James Doyle, a boy seventeen years of age, was pushed against the end of a rail which penetrated his skull, causing almost instant death.

13 On Sunday at Black Heath, near Minorsville, a young son of Michael Foley, while chestnutting, fell from a tree upon a pile of stones, fracturing his skull and causing death shortly after.

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