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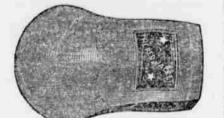
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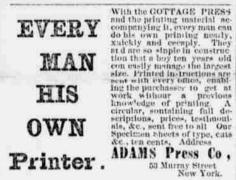
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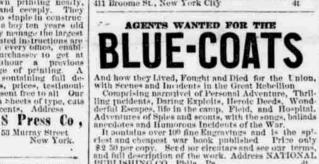
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BY J. L. BATES.

"A mere type setter!"-still a man The world, perchance, may well revere; Unknown, unnoted, one who can

Have nought to hope and nought to fear; Yet, where's the kingly sceptered hand, The brow that wears a princly gem,

That wields so well a wide command-Whose "stick" may match a diadem.

"A mere type setter!" Let us see: Who gave the glorious stripes to air,

That mark the banner of the free, And bound the stars that glimmer there? Who turned the bolt of heaven aside,

And conquered its othereal fire? Who bade the lightning harmless glide

Along its magic wand of wire?

"A mere type setter!" Search the past, The records of each battle-field :

Who nailed our colors to the mast, An died because they wold not yield? Who taught our band to strike the blow, Through toil, and danger, and distress, That severed England's chain of woe-Who, but the masters of the Parss?

"A mere type setter!" Name of fear, To bid the slave to freedom wake -That tyranny should quake to hear, And old oppression's empire shake!

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When empires crumble, and their fame Has sunk in worse than nothingness,

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MURLER.

His Statement and Acquittal.

On Monday, the Mumler mystification closed. Mumler was acquitted. We give his statement below:

In 1861, in the city of Boston, while engaged in business as an engraver, I was in the habit of visiting a young man who was employed in a photographic gallery, kept by a Mrs Stewart, on Washington street. Oc casionally, I would experiment with the instrument and chemicals. One Sunday, while entirely alone in the gallery, I attempted to get a picture of myself, and then it was that I first discovered, while developing it, that a second form appeared upon the plate. At this time I had never heard of spirit pictures, al-though I had been somewhat interested in the doctrine of spiritualism. At first I labored under what is now the general impression, that the plate upon which the picture was tion that prevails in society. If we were of the New York EXPRESS) in which we find taken could not have been clean, and that the healthy and manly breed we should extol the above announcement, the annexed is pubthat the plate upon which the picture was form which showed itself beside my own must have been left on the glass, and I so stated point of praise and honor, thankful that huto my employers and others. Subsequent attempts, however, made under circumstances which preclude such a possibillity, have con firmed me in the belief that the power by which these forms are produced is beyond human control, and the experts that have been called by the people have failed to pro duce a picture made in that manner. I wish to state that at the time I developed the shadow or form above alluded to, I was a complete novice in the art of photography, and had no experience whatever in the composition of chemicals used in the business; and that my use of them in my experiments was in conformity with what I had seen my friend do while himself engaged in business. After getting the form on the plate, at the suggestion of several friends to whom I showed the plate, I made other attempts and generally with most remarkable results. I then determined to leave my own business and devote myself to photography, and particularly my success, became the theme of NEW YORK WEEKLY. every tongue, and I was overrun with people of inquiring minds, and obliged to go over and over again, for their pleasure, the rou-THE MOST INTERESTING STORIES tine of taking and developing the pictures. For a long time I never refused any person who came to investigate. It soon became apparent, however, that I must either stop YORK WEEKLY. it or cease to support myself; for, as a general thing, these savans, while greedy themselves for intellectual food, seemed entirely oblivious to the fact that I myself was a ma-terial body. [Laughter.] However, I can truly say, that I have never refused intentioually, any persen who desired to have a picture taken, from making every examination or inquiry he choose to make; and had lieve the story, in spite of the winning face I been allowed in this examination to have produced evidence from abroad, could have seen too much of stow-aways to be easily deproduced evidence from abroad, could have shown by scientific men, whose names would have satisfied every one, that the most careful and minute examinations have often been made into all the details of my business while I have been engaged in taking pictures. I solemnly assert here that I have now but comparatively little knowledge of photography, or caemicals, or science of any kind, further than is absolutely needed to take ordinary photographic pictures. I positively assert that in the taking of pictures on which these forms appear, I have never used any trick or device, or avail myself of any deception or fraud in producing them; that these forms have appeared in each and every instance when they have been presented without any effort, except my will-power to produce them. In regard to the testimony of Mr. P: T. Barnum, I would say that I can solemnly make oath that I never communi-cated with him verbally or in writing, nor did I ever know that he had written or was writing anything in regard to spirit photo-graphy; and I further say, that if he had any graphy; and I further say, that if he had any pictures taken by me, he must have received them from some other person. In regard to the testimony of Mr. Tooker, I have only to suffused them. When eight minutes had fled say that he came to my gallery apparently in the mate told him he had but two minutes

had ever taken. I am now satisfied from the , trembling like a reed shaken by the wind .manner in which he came there, under as as-sumed name, more valgarly speaking, with a and noble little fellow, this poor waif whom lie in his month, and with the purpose, which subsequent events have shown, that he what was promised him, L.E., the spirit nearest in sympathy with himself. In regard to my conversation with him, I can only say that I have never, under any circumstances, guaranteed to any one that a spirit would appear. As to my refusal to entertain propo-sitions from the self-appointed committee of from strong, hard hearts, as the mate sprang photographers who appeared in my rooms since my arrest, and who desire, as I am in-formed by Mr. Guay, to make me take pic-

tures for them, whether I would or not. I have only to say that since my arrest I have placed myself entirely in the hands of my the truth of his own word.-[N. Y. Sun tures for them, whether I would or not. counsel, and have been guided by his advice; and 1 am pleased to say that one of the first cautions he gave me was to refrain, during the examination, from being led into any trap of that kind. Having been charged with a crime which, temporiarly at least, places me before the public in the same cate-[Judge Dowling here interrupted the prisoner by saying: "was applied to have your ment was seized, during the war, the act was regarded as an arbitrary one. I disapproved of that act, theu, and I disapproved of any similar one, when applied to your case."-The prisoner then proceeded.

If I had been engaged in such nefarious practices as I am charged with, the implements themselves would have been strongest evidence against me. They were not touched; they have stood ever since in the posi-tion they have always occupied in my gallery; and for the safety of others, who may hereafter be called to occupy my place in a court of Justice, I sincerely hope that such pro-

ceedings may cease. At the close of the argument, Judge Dowling said: "After a careful and thorough analysis of this interesting, and 1 may say, extraordinary case, I have come to the couclusion that the prisoner should be discharged. I will state that however I may be morally convinced there may have been trick and de ception practiced by the prisoner, yet as I sit as a magistrate to determine from the evidence given by the witnesses, according to law, I ara compelled to decide that I would not be justified in sending this complaint to the grand jury, as in my opinion the prosecu-tion have failed to make out their complaint. I therefore dismiss the complaint and order he discharge of the prisoner.

The fleroism of Humble Life.

We have heard of numerous instances of bravery and heroism among people whose business it was to be brave, who were paid for it, and in whom cowardice would have been a suicide of reputation and social posiblack or castaway, even when he has manifested the highest attributes of courage and devotion.

This comes of the snobbish shoddy educaall examples of this kind to the highest manity was capable of such excellence. But we are a lame lot, blear-eyed and diseased with conceit and selfishness from top to toe.

society owned not, and whose own step-father could not care for him-there he knelt

forward to the boy and clasped him to his bosom, and kissed him, and told him how he sincerely believed his story, and how glad he the truth of his own word .- [N. Y. Sun.

Sad Accident.

The Russian papers record a distressing accident which recently took place near Dor-pat. Wolves had appeared in unusual numbers. A hunter determined to kill some of gory with gamblers and men of that like, I have been deprived of the privilege of having my utensils seized at the time of my arrest. woods, to draw the wolves. The night was Armed with several rifles, he took dark. tools and apparatus seized; but I refused to his stand under the covert soon after night I recollect that when Mr. Gurney's establish- the horse's carcass. Sure it was a wolf, he aimed and fired. Instantly he heard a despairing shriels, evidently from a human be-ing; which gave him the greatest uneasiness. He went up and found a poor woman mor-tally wounded and in death's agony. She told him she was the mother of three children dying of hunger; she had observed the car-cass during the day but was ashamed to be seen taking a portion of it, so she had waited till nightfall to cut a piece of it for her starving children. She had a kitchen knife, and lying by her was a stew-pan which she had brought to receive the meat. Her story was investigated and found to be true in every particular. The investigation led moreover to the discovery of the existence of great distress among the peasents of the neighborhood. The neighboring authorities at once took measures for the support of the three orphans. One of them was given to the hunter, the involuntary cause of their mother's death. He undertook to bring it up and launch it well in life. The village undertook the care of another. The authorities order-ed the head of the village to take charge of the third, "because he should have ascertained the distress of the victim and her fam-

Break-Neck Performers.

ily; and have prevented her, by his charity,

from being driven to the cruel extremity

which crused her death.

While our law-makers tactily encourage break-neck performers, the rage for the exhibitions given by those poor fools increases. An exchange says:

"A wonderful horse, which rides through flames from the stage to the flies, with a young woman on its back, is to be a forthcoming attraction at one of the London theatres."

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AGRICULTURAL.

The committee appointed by the Pennsylvania Agricultural Society to select a place for holding the next State Fair, have fixed with clasped hands and eyes turned to wath heaven, while he repeated audibly, the Lord's Prayer, and prayed the dear Lord Jesus to hibitions in one locality. The next fair will commence on the last Tuesday of September commence on the last Tuesday. They have also adopted the Missouri plan of free entries, and every entry, whether article, animal, or invention, must be registered at the office of the society. This rule will be general, ex-cept in cases of horses entered for speed, where an entry fee will be charged.

railroads offer the usual facilities and reductions. Three dogs went mad at Yardleyville, Pa., on Saturday evening, and were killed. One of them, belonging to Charles Shoemaker, was atta ked with convulsions in the barroom, and showed evident symptoms of hy-drophobia. He was seized by the neck by

Lewis Shoemaker, and dragged out before any one was injured, and then shot. Another dog at Shoemaker's, one at Devlin's, and one at Capt. Lovett's, were killed. having given indications of the disease. It is said that all these dogs were bitten by the one shot by Isaac H. Hillborn a short time ago .- [Bucks County Intelligencer.

The pea-nut is cultivated in the counties of Sussex, Isle of Wight, Surry, Southamp-ton, and Prince Georgia, which, although very poor, and paying a better revenue to farmers than any counties in the State. The probale number of bushels raised last year was some 350,000, yielding an income of nearly \$1,000,000. The Virginia pea-nut is bought in Northern markets in preference to any other, and the command continues much greater than the supply. The planting commences about the 1st of May. -[Virginia paper.

The Cedar Rapids TIMES claims the championship for a young girl, "sweet sixteen," of Linn county, Iowa, as follows: for six weeks last winter, she attended forty-eight head of sheep, eight head of horses, fifteen head of cattle, and two calves, besides milking three cows, driving the cows one quarter of a mile every day to water, cleaning the horse stable, doing the house work, and tak-ing care of her sick parents.

The DIXIE FARMER says that wheat clubs have been organized in different parts of the South. Each member pays so much into the treasury, and all the money thus paid in is to be given to the man who harvests the best acre of wheat this year. The members all pledge themselves to complete for the pre-We are glad to see our Southern mium. friends holding out all the inducements they possibly can for improvement in the agriculture of their section. The wheat clubs will doubtless do a good work.

The Grass Valley (Cal.) NATIONAL insists that fruit raising is profitable, and in proof of the assertion remarks, "there is an exten-sive home demand for frants of all kinds; many engaged in the business have already become wealthy, as Lusk, of Alameda county, and Briggs, of Marysville, and others are rapidly growing rich. Thousands of men in the vicinity of Oakland, Fruit Vale, San Lorenzo, San Jose, and other good localities are amassing fortunes solely from the raising and selling of fruit."

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STEET & SMITH. to the form which appeared upon his picture. The mate said nothing, but nodded his 'Be jaber No 55, Fulton St., New York. which I then thought the most villainous I head and turned as pale as a ghost, and jist ate it?'

to keep him in my remembrance, my memory

so that we can see no good thing that is not stamped with the seals of respectability, and born with a silver spoon in its mouth.

And yet examples are not wanting in the uneducated, laboring classes, so-called, which, for generous courage, fortitude, and valor, are an honor to human nature. There avas that brave Newport girl, the best sailor on the coast, as Higginson says, who pushed her boat the other day into a sea that threatened to overwhelm her, at the cry and signal of distress and saved three of her fellow creatures from a death that seems inevitable!-Was not that a deed worthy of being set forth in story, illuminated in history among the worlds heroisms? And there are scores of such continually happening, of which no reccord is made, which are performed as duties, and things natural and befitting.

But perhaps the finest of these modern instances occurred two weeks ago on board an English steamer. A little ragged boy, aged aine years, was discovered on the 4th day ot the outward voyage from Liverpool to New York, and carried before the first mate, whose duty it was to deal with such cases -When questioned as to the object of his being stowed away and who brought him on board, the boy, who had a beautiful, sunny face, and eyes that looked like the very min had an aunt who was well off, and to whose house he was going. The mate did not beceived by them, he said; and it was his firm conviction that the boy had been brought on board and provided with food by the sailors. The little fellow was very roughly handled in consequence. Day by day he was questioned, but always with the same result. did not know a sailor on board, and his father alone had secreted him and gave him the food which he ate. At length the mate wearied by the boy's

persistence in the same story, and perhaps a ittle anxious to inculpate the sailors, seized him by the collar and dragging him to the fore-deck, told him that unless be confessed the truth in less than ten minutes from that time, he would hang him from the yard-arm. He then made him sit down under it on the deck. All around him were the passengers, and sailors of the mid-day watch, and in front of him stood the inexorable mate with his cronometer in his hand, and the other officers of the ship by his side. It was the finest sight, said our informant, that we ever the same way that other strangers were wont to come. As there was nothing particular truth and save his life; but he replied, with truth and save his life; but he replied, with utmost simplicity and sincerity, asking the in regard to him is stronger in its aplication mate if he might pray.

lished:

"A circus performer in Illinois broke his back while practicing the other day, and the strange scene ensued of a clergyman performing the last offices of religion by the side of a dying man in tights and spangles, stretched on the saw-dust of the ring.

Here we have another accident to a breakneck performer: What they call a "professional velocipedest" in San Francisco advertised to ride a velocipede over a tight-rope stretched across a lake. On the first attempt velocipede and rider rolled off into the water. The man was not drowned, but swam ashore. again mounted the velccipede and rope, and accomplished the feat amidst the cheers of the people. While the newspapers daily publish accounts of like accidents, the authorities by their silence give encouragement to foolish men and women, not only to risk their own lives, but to put in peril those of mere children hired for the purpose. Of course, the rage increases, and will increase until stopped by the law. No fatal accident nor any number of fatal accidents will end

Almost daily such accidents are reported, and still the authorities are silent.

A VERY OLD MAN DIED. -At his residence in Sandusky, Cattaragus County, April 5th, Daniel Frederick Beakman, aged 109 years and six months. Some particulars of his life may be of interest. He was born in Albany County, N. Y., and served in the Revolutionary war as minute man and team-

ster under Capt. Vanarnum. He was of Dutch descent and on account (no doubt) of a defect in spelling his name, he did not obtain a pension, until voted on by Congress a short time since, of \$500, yearly, in semi-annual installments.

At the age of about twenty-two years he was married to a Miss Susan Brewer, she being two years senior. They lived together eighty-one years. She died September, 1863, aged 105 years, eight months and eight days. After a residence of a few years in Albany County, they moved to Herkimer County, near the Mohawk river, where they lived forty-two years, thence to Catarraugus County, where they both died. Mr. Beakmau was very patriotic, was the first man to fire a salute on the Fourth of July-sometimes starting out at 1 o'clock A. M., and continuing firing t a gun (a piece he used in the army) until a ylight-never having failed his yearly salute until three or four years past. His habits were always regular.

There was five generatians at his funeral. His oldest son died in Michigan at the age of eighty years-the next younger at Sandusky, aged seventy-nine years.

SUSPICIOUS IRISHMAN .- A raw Irishman just over, went into a restaurant, and was asked by the waiter what he would have. 'Why, somethin' to ate, av coorse,' was

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the reply. A plate of hash was placed before him. 'Fot's that?' demanded he.

'That's wittles,' was the answer.

He eyed the compound suspiciously for some time, and finally exclaimed: 'Be jabers, the man that chewed that can

rommon Such ariteles can be sent safely for a long distance, properly packed. The contents of each package should be plainly marked on the wrapper to entitle it to seed postage rates, which is two cents for each four ounces and fraction of an ounce. Four pounds is the limit of weight in one package.

The Utica HEBALD Says: "Averaging the results of several careful experiments in feeding corn to hogs, shows that two bushels of corn in the ear, or one bushel of shelled corn, made nine and seven-twentieths pounds of pork, while the same amount ground into meal and mixed with water made eleven and one-eight pounds of pork.

The Power of a Word.

A mother on the green hills of Vermont, was holding by the right hand a son sixteen years old, mad with the love of the sea. -As she stood by the garden gate one morning she said:

"Edward, they tell me, for I never saw the ocean, that the great temptation of a seaman's life is drink. Promise me, before you quit your mother's hand, that you will never drink.

"And," said he (for he told me the story,) "I gave her the promise, and went the globe over, Calcutta, and Mediterranean, San Francisco, the Cape of Good Hope, the North and South Poles. I saw them all in forty years, and I never saw a glass filled with sparkling liquor, that my mother's form by the gate did not rise up before me, and to-day I am innocent of the taste of liquor."

Was not that sweat evidence of the power of a single word? Yet that was not half. "For," said he, "yesterday there came into my counting room, a man of forty years, and asked me:

"Do you know me?"

"No.

"Well," said he, "I was once brought into you presence, on ship-board, drunk; you were a passenger; the captain kicked me aside, you took me to your berth, and kept me there till I slept off my intoxication; you then asked me if I had a mother. I said I had never known a word from her lips. You told me of your promise at the garden gate, and to day I am master of one of the finest packets in New York; and I came to ask you to come and see me.

How far that little candle throws its beams. That mother's word on the green hill of Vermont! O, God be thanked for mighty power of a single word!

A youngish man, who had seen better days, asked a gentleman for a "triffe," which would be most "welcome" to assist him on his return to his native place. He was told that the Stranger's Friend Society would help him to a passage to Ireland. "Och. sir," he exclaimed, "I'm not an Irishman at all, at all! It's quite a mistake your honor's making." The gentleman persisted in his persuasion that he was an Irishman, and appealed to his brogue. "Ha!" the man re-joined, "I was in a large mercantile consarn in London for many years, where they did a dale of business with Irelan; and as I was correspondin' clark, may be I caught the brogue that way."