

"Oh, hush; for God's sake keep quiet! you'll alarm the city."

"Oh, you dreadful man!" and the shrieks waxed more loud and piercing, and the angry little hands beat the water around her into a foaming cascade like a miniature Niagara.

By this time the whole house was alarmed and the patter of running feet was heard through all the corridors. The man couldn't get out, because he was not dressed. He couldn't remain, because it was immodest. The husband by this time was thundering at the door, and inquiring in far from calm accents, what the devil was the matter?

"Help me! help me!" screamed the bride. The hurried husband heard in reply: "Wait till I get my clothes on and I'll go!"

He could endure no more, but bursting open the door, rushed like a demon into the room, crying frantically for "Mary? Mary! My God, what's the matter?" But at the same time his eye lighted on the stranger, turning madly in ineffectual efforts to resume his apparel. On him he seized, and, with his fist raised, demanded the meaning of this intrusion.

It was uttered in a trembling tone, which disclosed his sense of the peril. The lady got into the wrong bath; he was not aware of her presence until he undressed; he meant no offense. For mercy sake, let him out!"

The explanation proving satisfactory, the unfortunate stranger fled, and the bride was left to the consolations of her lord.

**DANIEL WEBSTER AND HIS BILLS.**—Our readers are aware that the late Hon. Daniel Webster, was not so careful in his pecuniary matters as some men, and this fault was at times taken advantage of. At one time a man sawed a pile of wood for him, and having presented his bill it was promptly paid by Mr. Webster. The laborer took sick during the winter, and a neighbor advised him to call upon Mr. Webster for the payment of his bill.

"But he has paid me," said the man. "No matter," replied the dishonest adviser, "call again with it. He don't know and don't mind what he pays. It is a very common thing for him to pay much smaller bills over twice."

The man got well, and carried in his account the second time. Mr. Webster looked at it, looked at the man, remembered him; but paid the bill without denouncing.

The fellow got "short" some three or four months afterwards, and happened to be of the generous and loose manner of Mr. Webster in his money matters; and a third time he called and this time he again presented the bill for sawing the wood. Mr. Webster took the account, which he immediately recognized, and scanning the woodsawyer a moment, said—

"How do you keep your books, sir?" "I keep no books," said the man, abashed.

"I think you do sir," continued Mr. Webster, with marked emphasis; and you excel those who are satisfied with the double system. You keep your books on the triple entry plan, I observe."

Tearing up the account Mr. Webster added—"Go sir, and be honest hereafter. I have no objections to paying these little bills twice, but I cannot pay them three times. You may retire."

The man left the room, as though he was suffocating for want of air. He had learned a lesson that lasted through life.

A good old Massachusetts doctor met a sexton in the street one day. After the usual salutations the doctor began to cough. "Why, doctor," said the sexton, "you have got a cold. How long have you had that?"

"Look here, Mr. Sexton," said the doctor with a show of indignation, "what is your charge of interest?"

"One dollar," was the reply. "Well continued the doctor, "just come into my office, and I will pay it. I don't want to have you around, so anxious about my health."

The sexton was even with him, however; turning round to the doctor, he replied: "Ah, doctor, I cannot afford to bury you yet. Business has never been so good as it has been since you began to practice."

A good story is told of Theodore Parker and Ralph Waldo Emerson. A confident Millerite meeting Parker just as he was leaving Emerson's house, said to him:—"Friend, do you know that the world is coming to an end next week?" Parker replied, "Oh? that don't concern me; I live in Boston." Passing on, he saw Emerson, and asked the same question. Emerson's answer was—"Well, let it come to an end; we can get along full as well without it."

**THE POPE'S STOCKINGS.**—A young man recently arrived in Rome and presented himself before the Pope. "Six months," said he, "I had a swelling in the leg; the doctors condemned it to amputation, but I applied a piece of one of your old stockings to the swelling and it immediately disappeared." His Holiness, who happens to suffer from a swollen leg himself, was stupefied at this sudden cure. The Pope's old stockings have ever since been at high premium.

# Elk County Advocate.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 29, 1870.  
J. S. BORDWELL, Editor.  
THE EIGHT-HOUR LAW

The following bill was offered in the United States House of Representatives by Dr. Cox, of New York, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary:

Section 1. That on and after the passage of this act, eight hours shall constitute a day's work for all laborers, workmen, and mechanics who may now be employed or who may hereafter be employed by any officer or agent of the United States, or by any person or persons contracting with any officer or agent of the United States.

Sec 2. Any officer of the United States who shall evade or attempt to evade any of the provisions of this act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and on sufficient proof thereof be removed from office and place by the President of the United States, and any person or persons contracting with any officer of the Government of the United States who shall evade any or attempt to evade any provisions of this act, shall be deemed guilty of a violation of the same, and on conviction thereof in any United States court, forfeit such contract, and in addition thereto shall be fined not more than ten thousand dollars nor less than one thousand dollars.

Sec 3. The act entitled "An act constituting eight hours a day's work for all laborers, workmen, and mechanics employed by or on behalf of the Government of the United States," approved June 25, 1868, is hereby repealed.

The remains of the late Mr. Peabody were submitted to Dr. Fay, a distinguished English physician, to a novel preservative process, which consisted in first injecting all the arteries with a solution of arsenic and corrosive sublimate; and after the lapse of twenty-four hours, with a saturated solution of tannic acid. By these means the softer tissues are actually converted into leather, and decomposition effectually arrested. Into the cavities of the chest and abdomen there was also introduced a paste of arsenic camphor, and spirit; and the coffin was lined with a layer of animal charcoal. It is expected the Peabody fleet will arrive during the first week in February.—*Western Pennsylvania.*

It having been long well settled that aliens cannot hold real property in England, and it is rather surprising to find that the late Mr. Peabody was the owner of certain real estate in that country. It is held that this land now reverts to the crown, and possession of it has been taken by the crown officers. It is quite useless to expend any indignation upon these public servants, who have merely done what their oaths required them to do. Even if they had not acted the title in the crown would have remained the same. We reserve our wrath, until we find that Parliament has not by act afforded relief to the executors, though we are by no means sure of the power of Parliament to act in the premises; and whether the crown can alienate crown lands, we are not learned enough to determine.—*N. Y. Tribune.*

WASHINGTON, Jan 24.

Prince Arthur and suite, accompanied by Minister Thornton, visited the White House today and was introduced to the President, his wife, Secretary Fish, Generals Dent, Porter, Babcock and Bourdeau and Colonel Douglas. The visit was entirely informal, and nothing was said beyond the interchange of pleasant compliments and well wishes. The Prince had an agreeable confab with Mrs. Grant, who no doubt gave him some motherly advice and perhaps warned him to steer clear of the gold corners and Jim Fisks. Later in the afternoon the distinguished party visited the Senate chamber and took seats in the diplomatic gallery. Mr. Howe was speaking on the currency bill at the time. Hon. Chas. Sumner, of Massachusetts, looked as though he would like to address the Senate on the Alabama claims and astonish the Prince. Charles considers himself the nearest approach to royalty than any other man in the Senate. The Marquis of Michigan was also restive under the princely gaze; this was perhaps owing to the comparison of titles.

Anna Rebecca Green, the daughter of a colored barber in Oil City, was found dead in the barber shop of a negro named Adams, at that place, on Wednesday evening. She is the victim of an attempt to procure an abortion. Adams and his wife were arrested.

George Francis Train's appointments for the next ten days as follows:—Newburgh, Jan. 21st; Wilmington, 22d; New York (at Tammany Hall), Sunday, 23d; Oswego, 24th; Penn. Yae, 25th; Genesee, 26th; Williamsport, 27th; Jamestown, 28th; Buffalo, grand Fenian demonstration, 29th.

A number of gentlemen are about stocking the Juniata river with bass. Three hundred bass, brought from the Potomac, were placed in the Juniata, above Huntington, on Saturday last.

**THE NEW COUNTY.**—Mr. Lowry reported that the new County bill from the Senate Committee last Thursday with amendments. It is now called Petrolia and does not touch Forest County. In this county it takes South West, Eldred, a part of Spring Creek and leaves Deerfield out. The committee was made to pass it, Lowry rushed it through without ceremony. One of the venango County Commissioners was there to be heard and was refused the hearing he asked!

Against this injustice, Senator Allen and one more of the committee, protested and voted, but in vain. Putting it through is a part of the bolting programme, and what care they if men travel four hundred miles to record the people's protest! It has passed the Senate year after year, but never with such indecent haste and disregard of the people's rights. Verily the first success in electing the Treasurer, makes them eager to finish the whole dirty job.—*Warren Mail.*

### NEWS ITEMS.

Ohio has twenty three thousand more boys than girls.

The Massachusetts whaling fleet lost \$200,000 last year.

The Governor of Rhode Island had only a two column message.

A Clergyman in Ohio has sued his congregation for \$95 back salary.

Seventy five thousand people in London are said to be actually starving.

A Virginian, whose father recently died, last week married his stepmother.

The "uncounterfeitable" new fifty cent note has already been counterfeited.

Punch, alluding to elegies, says a girl seems now all head, till you talk to her.

The New York Leader says the "fishermen's best luck" is "the net proceeds."

Six hundred bills already press upon the attention of the House at Washington.

In a recent duel in Kansas City, the weapons were a pitchfork and a butcher knife.

Velvet boots the color of the dress, are worn in Boston with drawing room costumes.

Mr. Thornton will represent the Queen at the Peabody obsequies in America.

Emmanuel C. Reigart, of Lancaster Pa. who died recently, aged 74 years, first nominated the Hon. Thaddeus Stephens for Congress.

Hon. H. Duerer Swoope has been nominated by the President for U. S. Attorney for the Western District of Pennsylvania, vice Carnahan. Of course he will be confirmed.

The danger of insurrection in Paris, seems to be over. The troops which were concentrated there, are ordered back to their original quarters.

The people away down East, are having much more severe weather than this section. On Friday, at Bangor, Me., the thermometer was 14 degrees below zero.

Some idea of the new hotel being built in Saratoga, may be inferred by the fact that, \$40,000 worth of French mirror plates have been ordered for it.

A decision has been given in the Supreme Court, that a business man is not compelled to show his books, if the Assessor of Income Tax, doubts the correctness of his report.

The Red River troubles appear to be on the increase. The rebels have taken possession of the Hudson Bay Company's Treasury; and an Indian massacre by the Sioux is threatened.

Iowa has elected Mr. J. B. Howell, editor of the Gate City, to fill Senator Grimes' unexpired term in Congress. Also, Geo. I. Wright, of Des Moines, for the full term of six years succeeding.

The House of Representatives has passed Burham's bill, admitting Virginia to representation in Congress, by a vote of 98 to 65.

Queen Victoria has been not only a profuse, but a provident woman. It is stated that she has saved from her salary and perquisites \$10,000,000. There is a widow worth going for.

When paper babies out at nurse die in Brooklyn, living substitutes are borrowed, to be used as vouchers for the collection of the board bill.

There are rumors at Washington that the Spanish government is now open to propositions for the sale of Cuba to this Republic, for \$100,000,000. But the offer has not yet been made.

Dangerous counterfeits of the fifty cent notes of the new Lincoln vignette issue are making their appearance. The backs are exact counterparts of the original; but the faces are rather darker and have a more bluish cast. Keep an eye on them.

The President, on Wednesday, 19th inst., stated to Mr. George H. Stuart, of Philadelphia, that he had long ago decided to nominate Judge Strong, of Pennsylvania as Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, in place of Justice Grier, whose resignation takes effect February 1, and that he would send his name to the Senate very soon.

Go to George Walker's for your boots and shoes.

**A GENEROUS HUSBAND.**—Perhaps fifteen or seventeen years ago, in a very good state, I saw a woman with a pleasant Quaker face, under a simple Quaker bonnet—I rather liked it—and her Quaker husband sitting by her with his broad brimmed hat on. They had spent many years together, you could see by their faces. He was just bidding her good bye as the train was starting, and I heard her ask him for a little money. I did not at all wish to hear what they said, but I heard that he had bought her a ticket, and saw he had taken her satchel politely on his arm. She bated to ask him for money; a good many other women have hated to ask for it, too. She began to say, "I wish I had a little"—she did not want to finish, thinking that he would think of it and give it to her; but he did not. So out it came all at once: "Maybe I'll want a little money while I'm gone." The good, honest Quaker turned his face toward her with surprise, and said:—"what hast thou done with the quarter I gave thee last week?"

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