

SUNBURY AMERICAN AND SHAMOKIN JOURNAL.

All Sorts of Items.

TAKING TOLL.—The St Louis Reveille is publishing a tale, purporting to give some adventures in the life of a young physician, from which we take the following extract:

A snow having fallen, the young folks of the village got up a grand sleighing party to a country tavern at some distance; and the interesting Widow Lambkin sat in the same sleigh, under the same buffalo robe with my self.

"Oh, oh—don't!" she exclaimed, as we came to the first bridge, catching me by the arm, and turning her veiled face towards me, while her little eyes twinkled through the gauze, in the moonlight.

"Don't what?" I asked; "I'm not doing anything."

"Well, but I thought you were going to take toll?" replied Mrs. Lambkin.

"Toll! I rejoined. That's what?"

"Now do tell!" exclaimed the widow, her clear laugh ringing above the music of the bells. "Dr. Mellow pretends that he don't know what toll is!"

"Indeed, I don't then," I said, laughing in turn.

"Don't know that the gentleman, when they go a-sledding, claim a kiss, as toll, when they cross a bridge? Well I never!"

But shall I tell it all! The struggles of the widow to hold the veil were not sufficient to tear it, and somehow, when the veil was removed her face was turned directly towards my own, and the snow, glittering in the moonlight, and the horse trotting on of himself, the toll was taken for the first time in the life of Dr. Mellow.

Soon we came to a long bridge, but the widow said it was "no use to resist," and she paid up as we reached it.

"But you won't take toll for every span will you, doctor?" she asked. To which the only reply was a practical negative to the question.

Did you ever, reader, sleigh-ride with a widow, and take toll at the bridges?

Henry, love, I wish you would throw away that book, and talk with me—I feel so dull." (A long silence and no reply.) "Oh, Henry, my foot is asleep!"—"Is it—well, don't talk, dear, you might wake it!"

Day.—The spirit of the Times, says—the Allegheny river is so low at present, that they have to leave it in to keep the cows from drinking it entirely dry!

Russia produced, in 1848, according to official return \$19,000,000 in gold, \$26,000,000 in silver, 9,000,000 pounds of copper, and 150,000 tons of wrought iron.

It is reported that Gen. Taylor has been offered \$3,000 for the use of "Old Whitey" for one year, the object being to exhibit him in the Eastern cities, and that the General declined.

LOUIS NAPOLÉON has written a letter to the Emperor of Russia, congratulating him on his success against the Hungarians.

CINCINNATI.—There are 400 licensed drinking establishments in Cincinnati, of which about 140 are kept by Americans, and 360 by foreigners.

THE MEDICAL TIMES says that the use of chloroform, has now become established in medical practice.

If you say another crooked soul, I'll knock your brains out," said the blacksmith to his wife. "Ram's horns, you dog, if I do it!" was the very gentle reply of the affectionate spouse.

CEMENT FOR MENDING MARBLE.—Mix the white of an egg with finely powdered quick lime.

NATIVE WINE.—Mr. R. B. Hyde, of Mobile, has succeeded in making a really delicious wine from the Scuppernong grape.

M. E. BROWN of Boston, has succeeded in liquifying hydrogen gas.

To the Poor Man poverty greater than his own never appeals in vain.

A Wise Man makes more opportunities than he finds.

POLAR BEAR SHOT.—An immense white or polar bear was recently shot by the captain and crew of a fishing vessel, on the Northeastern Coast of Labrador. He measured 16 feet and weighed 2500 pounds.—The skin was taken to Halifax to be stuffed.

PSYCHOLOGY.—An association has been formed in Troy, N. Y., to test the efficacy of "Electrical Psychology" in the cure of diseases.

FACTORIES STOPPED.—The Phenixville Pioneer learns that a number of factories and mills have been stopped in that vicinity.

Taffetas and Chinese crepes are fashionable articles of dress.

The first mistake in public business is the going into it.—Poor Richard.

It is estimated that 10,000 slaves have died of cholera in the Southern cities.

The daughter of the Queen of Sweden, who is about to marry Louis Napoleon, has a dowry of £4,000,000 sterling.

PASTE BLACKING.—Ivory black, 60 parts; vinsgar, 12 parts; and the oil of vitriol 12 parts. Mix them together for 30 minutes, and then add 9 parts of India rubber oil. This is a patent blacking, and is of no small value as a receipt.

MONDSTY.—A lady friend thought that she should avoid a certain dry goods store, because they advertised undressed linens.

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