

A DARING FEAT.

There is a story of an admiral's son who climbed up to the main royal truck, stood on that giddy height for some moments, and then, finding it impossible to descend by the rigging, would have fallen to the deck had not his father appeared and ordered him to jump into the sea. The boy jumped, and escaped with a good fright and a wet skin. A few days ago, a sailor aboard the ship Dharwar, in the harbor of San Francisco, performed a feat on the royal main truck which takes the shine completely out of the exploit of the boy. The tar, who is an old English man-of-war's man, as the Dharwar was being towed up the harbor, mounted the rigging to the main royal mast-head. Then getting his knees out on the royal truck, a circular piece of wood only eight inches and a half in diameter, he gradually raised himself to his feet, and stood erect on the giddy and dangerous pinnacle. All the time, he remembered the vessel was in motion. He then turned round and made a sort of Mohammedan obeisance to the four quarters of the compass. But this was only a sort of introduction to the extraordinary performance that followed. Jack proceeded to take off a tight undershirt he wore, turned it inside out, and then put it on again. The spectators felt more nervous than the daring old salt, and when he started to put the shirt on again, but few had the nerve to watch him. After this, Jack, by way of a grand finale, descended to the main yard, hung on the footrope by his feet, head down, took off his shirt again, threw it overboard, and then turned a somersault into the water after it. He secured the shirt, swam alongside, and when on board got a glass of rum, for which he had done this foolhardy act.

A FAMOUS CLASS.

The most famous that ever graduated from an American college was that of 1823, at Bowdoin College, which will hold its semi-centennial in June. Rev. J. S. C. Abbott writes concerning it: "George Cheever and I learned our alphabet together; Long-fellow and I were class-mates in school fitting for college. Hawthorne is painted upon my mind's eye as silent, solitary, with melancholy mien, he walked the college grounds; Jonathan Cilley, who might have been one of the greatest men in the nation, but who was early shot by Graves in a duel at Washington, rises before me. In the preceding class was Frank Pierce, with whom I have had many a tussle to see which should throw the other on the bed. Socially he was one of the most loving of men, and his wife, Jane Appleton, the friend of my childhood, was certainly one of the most beautiful and accomplished of women. Pitt Fessenden, a ruddy boy of seventeen, was admitted by all to be the 'smartest' little fellow in his class. Calvin Stowe was the wit. You could generally tell where he was by the roars of laughter. John P. Hale, in a lower class, was an incessant joker. His fund of humor was inexhaustible. He had ability to make a first rate scholar, but his genius led him in other directions. S. S. Prentiss, or 'Little Prentiss,' as we always called him, was a mere boy in college; but he was then brilliant, chivalric and the soul of honor. No one who knew him could be surprised at the brilliant career which opened before him."

A bill which is before the Tennessee State Senate contains the following section: "That bachelorism is hereby declared a privilege, and every male inhabitant of this State, over thirty years of age, being of sound mind and enjoying good bodily health, remaining unmarried at the 1st day of May, 1875, shall pay a fine of \$10 annually." In this State single blessedness is evidently classed among the luxuries, and as such ought to be paid for.

You daren't go into a bar-room at Kansas City, and call out, "Judge, you lie!" Every man in the room would know that you meant him, and you would have to run a mile a minute to get away from them.

Don't sit up nights to see how long that young gentleman stays with the young lady across the street. If she thinks him worth the oil burned it is none of your business. He isn't making love to any of your folks.

Business journals predict that within thirty days there will be a more hopeful feeling throughout the entire country than there has been known since the panic of 1873.

More good manners at Nice. An English lady, the wife of a baronet, cheated a Scotch marquis at cards, and the irascible Scot beat her on the spot.

The leading hotel in Jacksonville, Fla., has just made a cash dividend of thirty-three and a third per cent. for its year's business.

A Kentucky paper endeavors to pay a delicate compliment to a favorite actress by calling her a "sweet little red-haired chandelier kicker."

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