

"No, I don't want none of your lightning rods," said a Kentucky farmer, last week, to a man who had stopped at his house to put up patent lightning conductors. "I ain't afraid of lightning, it's the thunder I believe's going to knock us all endwise, some day." "You don't seem to comprehend," said the peddler; "these are silver-tipped rods are lightning rods, and the gold-tipped ones are thunder rods—just what you want," and he persuaded the old man in ordering up the gold-tipped rods.

"A heated altercation" is the mild way in which a Tennessee paper puts it when one gentleman shoots another gentleman through the head because the second gentleman's cattle trespassed on the first gentleman's wheat field; and the way in which the courts put it is that the first gentleman is "bound over to appear at the next term of the Circuit Court in June."

It was 12 o'clock at night when Mr. Berger, of Macon, Ga., discovered a colored preacher in his stable untying a horse, and the preacher only observed—"Jess what I said all de time, Mistah Berger, your horse is bay sure enuff, and dat 'spite between me an' Brudder Jackson is settled."

A newsboy, seated on the post office steps, counted his pennies over and remarked: "Seventeen cents in all. That's five for the circus, three for peanuts, four for a sinking fund, four I owe to Jack, and there's one left to support a widowed mother on until Saturday night."

"We read in de good book," says a colored Baptist brother down South, "of John de Baptist—nebber of John de Methodist." And that, says a Charleston correspondent of the New York Observer, is the reason most of the colored Southern people are Baptists.

A man was indignantly exclaiming that his knife had been stolen, when at last one of his neighbors, whose garden had been robbed a short time previous, said to him, "I found your knife among my cabbages; how came it there?" The man was struck dumb.

Mrs. Rose, of Connecticut, said she would hang herself if Rose wasn't home at eight o'clock. When he came in at night she was suspended to a beam, cold and dead, and he rubbed his hands and whispered: "There's a woman who couldn't tell a lie!"

A Western contemporary, chronicling the suicide of a melancholy agriculturalist, who hanged himself from a rafter in his barn, asks itself "if the wretched man had any thought of a hereafter?" Manifestly he must have thought of this here rafter.

"Oh! my friends," exclaimed a temperance orator, "that I had a window in my heart, that you might all look in and see the truth of what I tell you!" "Wouldn't a pain in your stomach do just as well?" asked a small boy.

At a teachers' institute in Ohio recently a lady teacher was given the word "hazardous" to spell and define, and did it in this style: "H-a-z, has-a-r-d, ard-e double s, cas—hazardous, a female hazard."

A sheep-breeder of Clark county, Ky., is willing to make affidavit that he killed fourteen dogs in two shots a few nights ago; which, as Jeames might remark, is shooting to some purpose.

"Kill him! kill him!" shouted a crowd in Virginia City as they gathered around a hotel. "What for?" inquired a stranger. "He's got on alligator boots and a velvet coat. Mash 'em."

There was once a legislator who laid by \$30,000 in one session. When he was asked how he managed this with a salary of \$1,000, he said that he saved it by doing without a hired girl.

A little girl happening to hear her mother speak of going into half-mourning, said, "Why are we going into half-mourning, mamma? Are any of our relations half-dead?"

"Have I not offered you every advantage?" said a doting father to his son. "Oh, yes!" replied the son; "but I could not think of taking advantage of my father."

They have laid out a new city in Iowa, you can tell when you come to it easily by a sign sticking up in the mud with the name of the place written in charcoal.

A candidate for county clerk in Texas offered to register marriages for nothing. His opponent undismayed, promised to do the same and throw a cradle in.

A wag, seeing a door nearly off its hinges, in which condition it had been some time, observed, that when it had fallen and killed some one it would probably be hung.

"Mr. D——, if you will get my coat done by Saturday, I shall be forever indebted to you." "If that's your game, it won't be done," said the tailor.

A gentleman observing the sign of "Caswell" upon a business establishment, remarked that it would be "as well without the C."

Wisconsin papers report that the spirits of the Adventists are down because their bodies didn't go up last month.

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| | am | pm | am | pm |
| Pittsburgh | 7:20 | 10:05 | 3:00 | |
| W. Penn. Junction | 4:02 | 8:50 | 8:30 | 1:30 |
| Elk Lanes | 4:50 | 9:40 | 7:45 | 12:35 |
| L. W. June | 5:40 | 10:30 | 7:00 | 11:40 |
| Brady Bend | 6:30 | 11:20 | 6:00 | 11:25 |
| Parker | 6:40 | 11:35 | 5:30 | 10:35 |
| Emulston | 7:05 | 12:00 | 4:48 | 10:10 |
| Scrubsgrass | 8:12 | 1:10 | 3:52 | 9:19 |
| Franklin | 9:05 | 1:55 | 3:05 | 8:33 |
| Oil City | 7:00 | 9:45 | 2:15 | 7:45 |

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| Oleopolis | 8:00 | 2:40 | 12:12 | 7:03 |
| Eagle Rock | 8:17 | 3:00 | 11:45 | 7:23 |
| Tionesta | 9:05 | 3:20 | 10:57 | 6:56 |
| Tidoute | 10:25 | 4:15 | 9:24 | 6:09 |
| Irvineton | 11:45 | 5:00 | 7:45 | 5:20 |

Rouseville 10:05 2:55 1:32 7:28
Tyrusville 11:10 3:50 12:53 6:25
Corry 6:10 11:15
Mayville 7:00 9:47
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