

Here is an anecdote told by one minister about another. A certain presiding elder, who was noted for being seldom up to time, seldom very animated, and seldom very brief, once kept a congregation waiting for a long time for his appearance, and when at last he did come, he preached them a very prosy sermon of unusual length, on the text, "Feed my lambs." He had not yet finished, when that original old minister, known as "Camp Meeting Jobb," rose from a seat in the congregation, and said: "Brother, I have had some experience in raising lambs myself, and I have found that the following rules are absolutely essential to successful lamb raising: First, give them their food in season; second, give them a little at a time; and third, give it to them warm."

A family employed a girl to do housework. The mistress of the house observing that her new "help" was much addicted to Methodist hymns, asked her if she belonged to that church.

"No," she replied, "not exactly a member; but I have been taken in on suspicion."

"Probation, you mean?"

"No, I don't—in a sharp accent, and with a dogmatical manner—I know what I mean; I was taken in on suspicion."

During the recent meetings some handbills were printed in one of the neighboring towns headed "Hol for the New Jerusalem." It seems that one of them got over into Saalsbury and created considerable excitement there, as most of the prominent citizens have been writing to ask where the place is situated, and whether if a man went there to work by the day he would be able to get home Sundays.

A Pennsylvanian has bought a small steamer, and will load it at Buffalo, about July 1st, with 30,000 pounds of nitro-glycerine, for delivery at different localities on Lake Superior. If the little fishes in Lake Superior don't wonder what the "rumpus" is before the end of that voyage, we shall lose our faith in nitro-glycerine as an explosive.

Spilkus has discovered that his stepmother has a cousin whose daughter married a man that has a half brother living in Philadelphia in a large, roomy residence quite near to the Centennial Grounds. Proper steps have been taken to establish the relationship, and Mrs. Spilkus has ordered three new Saratoga trunks accordingly.

Many of the female clerks at Washington once ranked with the aristocracy of the land. Among them may be found widows or daughters of army and navy officers of the highest rank, daughters and granddaughters of former members of the Cabinet, Senators, Supreme Court Justices and Presidents.

A book on the "Age of Elizabeth," is announced by a New York house. Elizabeth isn't the only woman about whose age there has been much discussion; but we believe she is the only one whose age has been considered a matter of such importance as to warrant the publication of a book about it.

When a Rochester policeman orders a corner loafer to move on, the loafer takes off his hat, strikes an attitude and replies: "Saddy do I agair take up the weary burden of my life, I leave you in regret, but not in anger. Heaven smile on you and bless you. Farewell." Then he moves.

She was a young lady from New York, and when he asked her if she would partake of an ice-cream, she gently answered, "If it's good square confectioner's cream, I'm there; but if it's strawberry festival slush, count me out."

"Madam," said a trance medium, "Your husband's spirit wishes to communicate with you. No matter," said the widow; "if he's got no more spirit in the ether world than he had in this, it's not worth bothering about."

Mamma asked a precocious youngster at the tea-table the other evening, after a long and yearning gaze towards a plate of doughnuts, "Mamma, do you think I could stand another of those fried holes?" She thought he could.

A merchant went home the other night and said cheerfully to his wife: "Well, my dear, I've failed at last." "Oh, that's good!" exclaimed the wife, with a radiant face; "now we can go to the Centennial, sure."

Harvey discovered the circulation of the blood before he was thirty-four. Yet some editors get to be over a hundred before they can discover the exact circulation of their own newspapers.

This is the time when the boarding house lodger paddles dreamily through his pigeon soup in search of the pigeon, and finally returns the plate with, "No, thank you; I prefer ice water."

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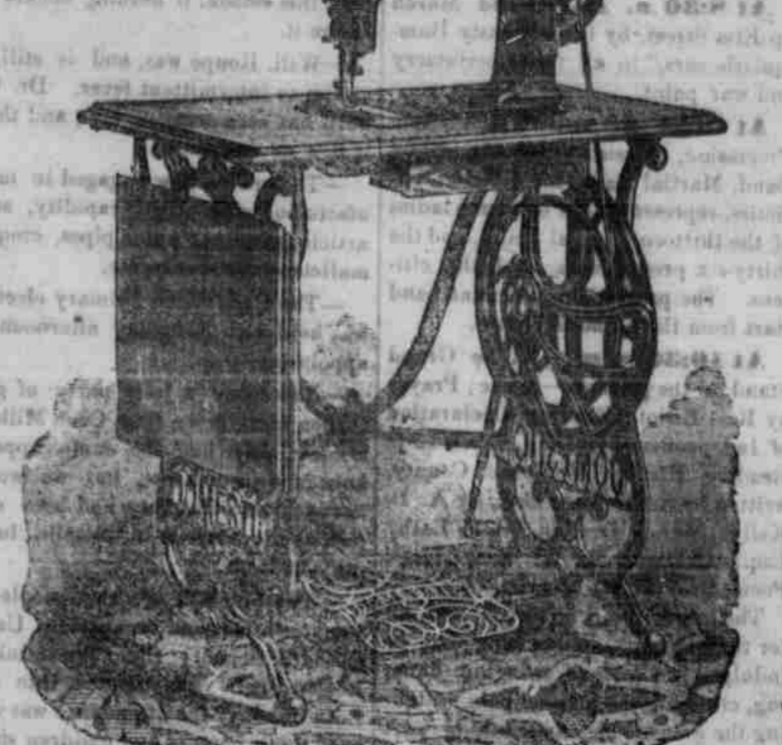
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