

From Nasby's last letter, it appears that Bascom, in consideration of \$400 which Nasby got for his vote at St. Louis, and turned in on his liquor bill, agreed to fill Nasby's bottle each morning, until the letters of Tilden and Hendricks were issued, read and understood by Petroleum V. The next morning after the letters appeared, he was promptly on hand at Bascom's with his bottle. The rest is in his own language:

"Fill it!" I remark calmly.
 "Not any," said he. "You hev the letters."
 "George Washington B.," I replied, "your promise wuz to keep this bottle filled not only till I hed red the letters, but till I UNDERSTOOD EM. I hev bin applyin my intellek to em for ten hours, and of I know from them letters whether I am to talk Hard money or Soft, Immejite Resumpshen or Personal Postponement, I hope never to be Postmaster."

What did that perfjus wretch do? He telegraphed that very day to both Tilden and Hendrick, ez follows:
 "Shel Nasby, on the stump, advocate Hard money or Soft? Anser to wunst. Important, to save an innocent Dimeocrat from roozin."

And the anwers come prompt:
 FROM TILDEN.
 "Hard money, uv course, but soften it a good deal in the West. Strike boldly, however, for Reform and agin the Corrupshen uv the Republikin party."

FROM HENDRIX.
 "Soft money, uv course, but harden it a good deal in the East. Strike boldly, however, for Reform, and agin the Corrupshen of the Republikin party."

The following is told of Col. Samuel Colt, who, in his life time, was sometimes inclined to be a trifle pompous. When he was building dwelling houses for the workmen employed in his great pistol factory, he one day encountered a boy picking up chips on his grounds.

"What are you doing here?" he said gruffly.
 "Picking up chips, sir," replied the youngster, evidently unawed by the great presence.

"Perhaps," said the Colonel, drawing himself up with great dignity; "you don't know who I am. I am Colonel Samuel Colt, and I live in that big house up yonder."

The boy straightened up, swelled out, and answered.
 "Perhaps you don't know who I am. I'm Patrick Murphy, and I live in that little shanty down yonder," pointing in the direction.

"Sonny," said the Colonel, blandly, patting the boy on the head, "go on and pick up all the chips you want, and when you get out, come back for more."

It is not customary to bestow real kisses on lovers in the performances at the Vienna theatres. A failure to observe the custom in this respect has brought serious misfortune upon a handsome tenor, Bastiano Widmann by name. He saluted the soprano honestly on the lips, much to her surprise. She requested him in future to refrain from such demonstrations, and to make sure of it, exclaimed at the second representation of the same opera, when the kissing time arrived, loud enough for the audience to hear, "I will excuse you from the kiss." This open insult infuriated the tenor, and he retorted coarsely, "Thank Heaven for that! Who wants to kiss such an old thing!" The consequence is that the tenor is now seeking a situation elsewhere, and the pretty soprano is kissed no more in public.

This anecdote is told of Dr. Samuel Johnson and his wife previous to their marriage: He said to her that he very much wished to marry her, but there were three obstacles: First, he was of very humble origin; second, he had no money; third, he had an uncle who was hanged. In reply, she honored no man more or less because of his parentage; second, she had no money herself; and third, although she had had no relatives hanged, she had twenty who deserved to be, and she wished they were.

George Eliot died at Springfield lately, aged seventeen. He did not portray character, but ate for dinner a potato pie, a plum pudding, a sheet of ginger bread, a rice pudding, five squares of Yorkshire pudding and three basins of soup, washing this meal down with three basins each of beer, water and lemonade. The coroner's jury returned a verdict of "death from gluttony."

Brignoli is mellifluously tooting in Boston. He weighs nearly three hundred pounds, and out of his adipose vastness his voice issues like the note of some sweet minstrel inclosed in a beer barrel and trying to sing through the bung hole.

An exchange says that it tries the gallantry of a Frenchman to have a Chicago woman borrow his pocket handkerchief to wipe her poodle's nose with.

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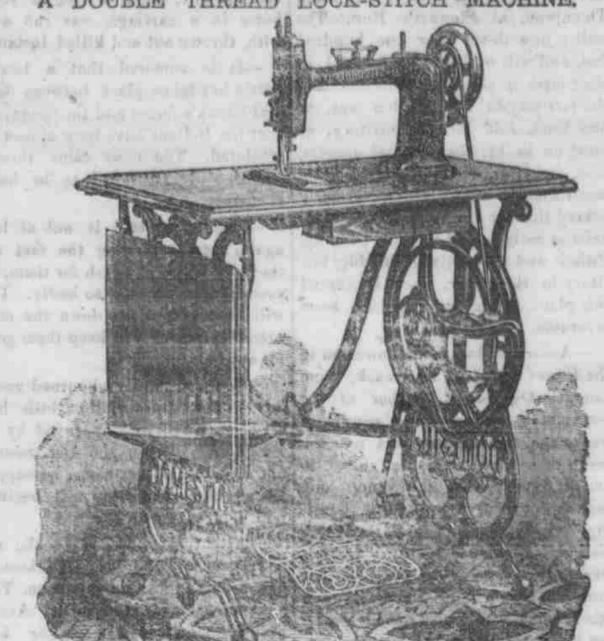
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