

More than half a century ago, says Porto Crayon, two little boy cousins sat together earnestly speculating on the arrival of a beloved aunt, just from the South, with a big trunk reported to be laden with tropical fruits expressly for the children. Very soon their expectancy was relieved by the receipt of a ripe golden orange each. Now at that day the orange was so rarely seen by us that it was encircled with the glamour of romance—an exotic so costly that when we occasionally got a pale, half-wilted specimen, it was carefully peeled and divided into compartments enough to give every member of the family a taste. But here each cousin held in his hands a whole globe of fresh and succulent delight, to dispose of and enjoy according to his own will. Without pausing for a moment to admire the beauty or sniff the external fragrance of his fruit, the first hurriedly tore it open, and burying his face in the luscious pulp, squirting the rich juice from his hair to his heels, swallowing what he managed to get in about three gulps, threw the skin into the street, and wished he had another. The other cousin meanwhile handled his golden gift as if it had been "a gem too rich for use," tenderly manipulating its yielding plumpness, voluptuously inhaling its refreshing fragrance, and when he could no longer abstain, carefully opened a pinhole in one end, sucking samples of the contents, like a modest gauger, until he had extracted the last drop from the precious cask. The seeds, accurately counted, were kept to plant an orangery, and the skin dutifully delivered to mamma to flavor a promised cake.

As might readily have been foreseen, when these boys became men, the first stuck his two thumbs into this world, recklessly tearing it open as he had done this orange, devouring estate, body and soul in three greedy swallows, dying at twenty-seven, so palled with the flavor of this life that he scarcely wished for another. The careful cousin, now past three score years, is sucking his portion through a pinhole, still straining for the last sweet drop, having squeezed his world until it is flat, stale and unprofitable as a ship biscuit after a long voyage.

**A Plaster on His Nose.**

One day last week a Newark chap walked down Broad street, with a plaster on his nose, and the following criticisms were passed upon him by his fellow citizens within the short distance between Central avenue and Market street:

"Nice looking rooster, that is."  
 "Been on a fearful spree and barked his nose on a lamp post."  
 "You always know a man by his nose."

"Been sassin' his wife and got hit over the nose with a steam pan."  
 "Tried to come it over some fellow and got whaled, and served him right."  
 "Got a lager beer nose and trying to hide it."

"Must have blowed fearful hard on that horn to burst it that way."  
 "That fellow's carrying a plaster advertisement dodge, but the thing won't work."

"Nice old rum blossom that is; if I had it I'd stay in the house and not be seen by anybody."

And yet the subject of all these uncharitable remarks got his nose skinned trying to get into a crowded revival meeting.

A lazy boy makes a lazy man, just as sure as a crooked sapling makes a crooked tree. Who ever saw a boy grow up in idleness that did not make a shiftless vagabond when he became a man, unless he had a fortune left him to keep up appearances? The great mass of thieves, criminals and paupers have come to what they are, by being brought up in idleness. Those who constitute the business part of the community—those who make our great and useful men, were taught in boyhood to be industrious.

There is a good deal of flurry in trade circles, but bustle don't always mean business. The only time when a bustle does unmistakably mean business is when you see it coming for you with a pair of glaring eyes and a steam stick in front of it.

A philosopher says that astronomy is the earliest of the sciences; but the way that a baby gets into short dresses and immediately goes to poking into the mica windows of a stove we thought that the earliest of the sciences was mineralogy.

The dairy maid's ditty—"Tis but a little faded." The butcher's—"Cut me by moonlight alone." The woman's—"Out in the cold world." The merchant's is: "The sweet and buy."

There is a growing feeling among American people that the man who can hear a fellow mortal coming of a cold in the head, and gibberish from telling him what to do for the man who should be the next student.

Regarding school miss: "O, Charley, don't get to be graduated at next commencement." "Graduated, what in?" "Ay, in white tulle."

Time of peace prepare for war, with a nervous man, as he slyly hid his pig.

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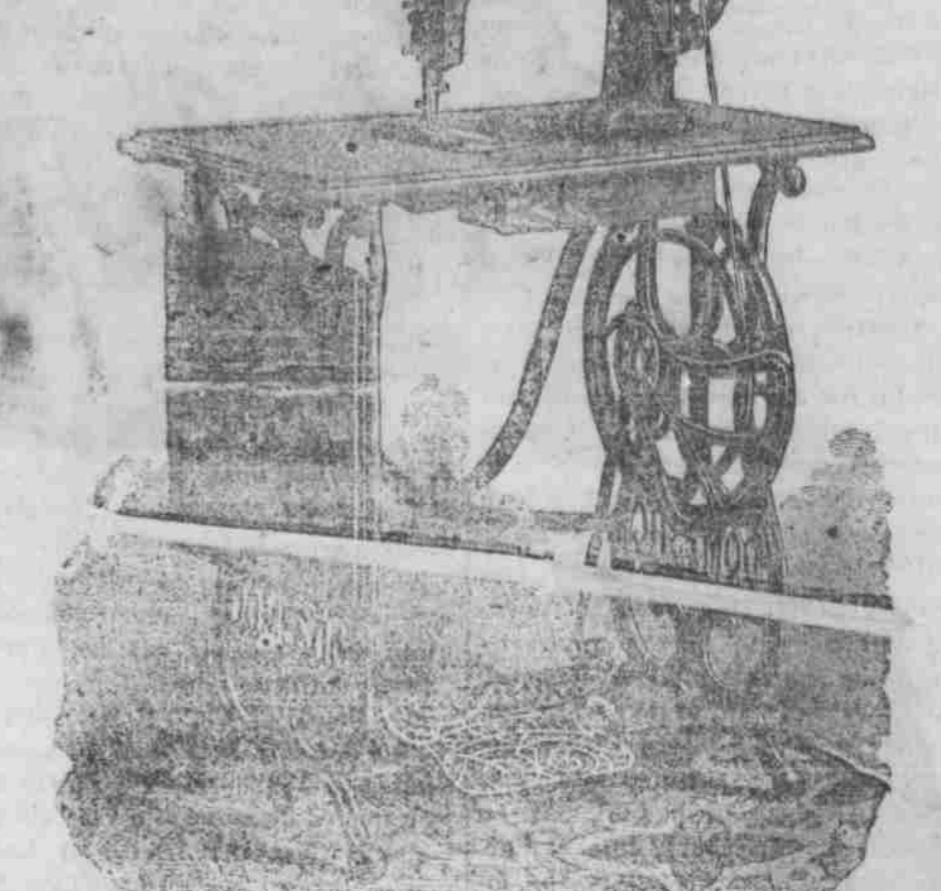
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