

Home Reading.

WHAT THE BULLET SANG.

Oh, joy of creation, To be! Oh, rapture to fly And be free!

IS FRIDAY UNLUCKY?

An exchange has compiled some facts to show that the popular superstition against Friday, as an unlucky day, is an error.

It was on Friday, the 3d of August, 1492, that Columbus sailed from the harbor of Palos, for the new world.

It was on Friday, the 12th of October, that he first saw land after sixty-five days of navigation.

It was on Friday, the 4th of January, 1493, that he started on his return to announce the result of his search.

It was Friday, the 15th of March, 1493, that he disembarked in Andalusia.

It was on Friday that he discovered the American continent.

It was on Friday that Henry VII gave John Cabot his dispatch from the voyage which resulted in the discovery of North America.

On Friday, September 6th, 1565, Wenzel founded St. Augustine.

On Friday, Nov. 10th, 1620, the Mayflower first disembarked a few emigrants on American soil, at Provincetown, and on Friday Dec. 22, 1620, that the passengers finally landed at Plymouth Rock.

It was on Friday, Feb. 22, 1732, that George Washington was born.

It was Friday, June 16th, 1775, that the battle of Bunker Hill was fought and on Friday, Oct. 7th, 1777, that the surrender of Saratoga took place, the event which decided France to give her aid to the colonies.

The treason of Arnold was discovered on Friday. Yorktown surrendered on Friday and on Friday that Richard Henry Lee read the declaration of independence to the continental congress.

A PLEASANT STORY.

There has lived in Oakland, Cal., the past few years a quiet, modest gentleman by the name of Peter Miller. He has resided in California twenty years, worked in the mines, and part of the time at his trade carpentering.

After years of absence his mother kept writing for him to return, but like other old Californians he was proud and did not desire to go back until he had sufficient to "show" that he was from the Golden State.

He wrote to his mother that he could not conceal his pride any longer, and stated the situation; if he had money he would return, but he had to make it. Monday last he received a check for \$500, and in the letter was stated that the money he had been sending home for years had been invested in real estate, and that he had better come back and take charge of his property which was worth over fifty thousand dollars.

TO BE WELL.

Here is a remedy for the ills of the flesh and spirit, composed of leaves, plants and roots, which, if taken without a wry face, will make any man respectable and happy.

Leave off drinking. Leave off smoking. Leave off chewing tobacco. Leave off snuffing. Leave off sweating. Plant your pleasure in the home circle. Plant your business in some honorable employment.

Plant your faith in Truth. Root your habits in Industry. Root your feelings in benevolence. Root your affections in God. For direction see the Holy Scriptures.

If you have a friend that loves you and has studied your interest and happiness, be sure to sustain him in adversity. Let him feel that his former kindness is appreciated, and his love was not thrown away.

Always try to have a worthy competitor. Set the bare to run with the tortoise, and he will probably fall asleep and lose.

Music is an invisible dance, as dancing is a silent music.

SOMEBODY'S MOTHER.

Such wild eyes! Such matted hair! Such strange thoughts as came to her half-crazed brain as she staggered along the street!

"You wouldn't hurt an old woman, would you?" "I wouldn't dare hurt you," replied a lad of eight or nine. "You are somebody's mother—you may have a boy just as big as me!"

"Mother—boy?" she muttered, trying to steady her gaze. "So I have got a boy—so I have!"

"And won't he be afraid when the dark comes?" innocently asked the lad.

His words seemed to touch a chord in her heart. She drew herself up, reached out a trembling hand to the children, and there were tears in her eyes as she whispered:

"I'd forgotten that I had a boy. He will be waiting at the gate. I'm going right home!"

Her step was still unsteady, but she did not fall again; and as her form was lost in the twilight the children sat on the grass and whispered to each other:

"What will her boy say?"—Detroit Free Press.

AGRICULTURE IN GREECE.

Agriculture is depressed in Greece. A French traveler says: "The Greeks assert that they were not born for agriculture, and I am afraid they are right. The Greek finds himself in the right place at the door of a shop, or on the deck of a vessel. Greeks who cultivate the ground feel themselves humiliated."

PARADISE.

Paradise is not so lost as is sometimes thought. The garden of Eden is now spread out into the width of the world. Our homes are bowers in it; our roads are walks in it; and always within reach, hang forbidden fruits though now they are such as often bring their punishment in the eating—apples of Sodom, golden on the rind and dust inside. There is in the garden still the tree of knowledge of good and evil, and of this we may eat, and by the eating of it we have our eyes opened and are liable to recognize the very tree of life.

Avoid disputation for the mere sake of argument. The man who disputes obstinately, and in a bigoted spirit, is like the man who would stop the fountain from which he should drink. Earnest discussion is commendable; but factious argument never yet produced a good result.

It is not generally known that the good custom of keeping birthdays is many thousand years old. It is recorded in the fortieth chapter of Genesis and twentieth verse: "And it came to pass the third day, which was Pharaoh's birthday, that he made a feast unto all his servants."

At best, life is not very long. A few more smiles, a few more tears, some pleasure, much pain, sunshine, and song, clouds and darkness, hasty greetings, abrupt farewells—then our little play will close, and injured and injurer will pass away. Is it worth the while to hate each other?

Well-mated lovers are like the two wings of a dove, bearing one heart between them; and always moving harmoniously.

Men of quick fancy more easily reconcile themselves to the loved one when she is absent than when she is present.

Great books are dead men, yet glorified ones, and their pupils will ever hold themselves as their living relatives.

If you would render your children helpless all their lives, never compel or permit them to help themselves.

The loud tones in which some people appeal to reason imply that reason is a great distance from them.

Love can excuse anything except meanness; but meanness kills love, and cripples even natural affection.

The door between us and heaven cannot be opened if that between us and our fellow-men is shut.

The envious man grows base by contemplating the success of another.

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H. R. STEVENS, Boston, Mass.

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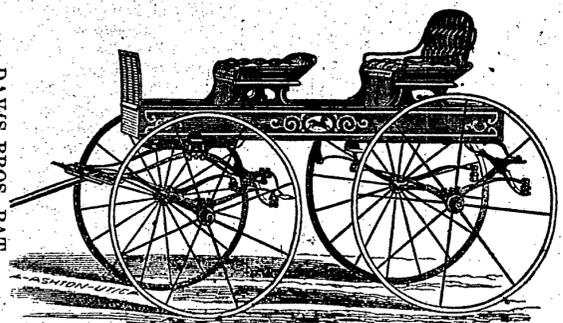
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