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If a country girl should come to town and act like some town girls do when they go to the country, it is likely she would be arrested.

It is no great matter to live lovingly with good natured, humble and weak persons, but he who can do so with the froward, willful, ignorant, peevish, and perverse hath true charity.

To make jest on sacred things requires no high order of ability and is no mark of superior wit. Such achievements are within the compass of the faculties of a fool. No man of culture and prudence would do it.

When the new law requiring assessors to record all births and deaths in their districts at the prothonotary's office goes into effect there will be the beginning of the end of giddy girls palming themselves off as "sweet sixteen" for a decade or more. Reform is coming sure.—Ex.

It is said that grass hoppers were never so numerous in the section of the country around Nittany Valley, near Lock Haven, as they are at present. One farmer states that the hoppers are destroying his corn, and are literally stripping the blades from the stalks. On some farms the hoppers are devouring everything in the line of vegetation.

In whatever branch of business you fall, always aim to do your level best, and stick to your aim, if you walk on your uppers and dine at a free lunch counter. The man who can do two dollars' worth of good work for one dollar will never get out of a job so long as there is a job in creation. He may rise slowly, but it was not the tortoise that lost the famous go-as-you-please.

Various cosmetics and washes for the skin usually contain zinc, bismuth, lead or mercury. They are really nothing but poisons, and are not only injurious from poisonous metallic substances they contain, but they fill up the pores of the skin, and thus increase the troubles they are supposed to remedy. A bad complexion is usually dependent upon constitutional causes, and can not be improved by outward applications.

Shall the boy intended for business be sent to college? This question cannot be answered "yes" or "no." There is no use in sending a boy to college who shows no signs of appreciating it—the idler, who floats through on his father's money and influence, whose occupation is dissipation and flirtation, and who studies only enough to avoid expulsion. But the boy who plainly has the making of a man, and has the strength and application to master his preparation, may well be sent to an institution of technology, or to a university. If intended for business, such a boy will be self-made, if he is ever made at all, as really as the man who taught himself to read by the light of a pine knot.

Have you never gone out in the morning with a heart so depressed and saddened that a pall seemed spread over all the world, but on meeting some friend who spoke cheerily for a minute or two, if only upon indifferent matters, have felt yourself wonderfully lightened? It is a blessed thing to speak a cheerful word when you can. "Every heart knoweth its own bitterness" the world over. Even the strangers we meet casually by the way, in the travelers' waiting-room, are unconsciously influenced by the tones we use. It is the one with pleasant words on his lips to whom a stranger in a strange land turns for advice and direction. Take it as a compliment if some wayfarer comes to you to direct him which street or which train to take; your manner has struck him as belonging to one he can trust.

Street fakirs now-a-days make an apology for their appearance. They do it, you know, just to advertise their medicine, &c., because it is a cheaper way of advertising than in the daily papers, and the laboring classes, whom these fellows are so friendly towards, gets the benefit of the saving on this way of introducing whatever they are selling that "the people cannot get along without." These fakirs are greatly interested in the human family—that portion which they have to provide for. It is remarkably strange how these fellows will discommode themselves to travel through the country to save a few pennies for the laboring people, that is to take their statement for it. But if it was not for the almighty dollar they gather in poor humanity might suffer or spend their cash with the faithful family physician.

WILL HAVE A FINE * LINE * OF * GUNS! in a few days. Before sending away for guns call and see my guns and get prices. Full line of ammunition in stock. ALEX. RISTON.

CALL ON C. F. HOFFMAN, Specialist in Lenses for the Eyes. SCIENTIFIC EXAMINATION FREE. NEW GOODS! * * * NEW STYLES! We have received this week a New Line of Fall : : Dress : : Goods, and those desiring rich and stylish Fabrics will find them on our counters. Come and See. BING & CO.

A Disgusting Vice.

One needs only to walk on the streets of Reynoldsville to be convinced that profanity, one of the most disgusting and prevalent vices, is growing to an alarming extent. We believe that it is the duty of every journalist, who is not vulgar enough to use it himself, to help suppress profanity—meaningless, vulgar profanity. It does not require a close observer to discover that its use is confined to no age, sex or position. It pollutes alike the conversation of youthful strength and decrepit age. In the highways, and byways, the counting room and workshop, and too often in the social and family circle the ear is dinned by conversation interlarded with profanity which neither dignifies, emphasizes nor embellishes. The stripping of our town vies with the man of business in the interjection of his oaths, and long before he reaches man's estate has acquired a detestable habit which becomes second nature, and has secured his proficiency as a professional swearer for the term of his natural life; so that go where he may his foul mouth becomes a veritable cesspool of slime—a standing menace to the welfare of society.

Leaving moral or religious considerations entirely out of the question, is it not time that this abominable, ungentlemanly practice was abandoned. The vernacular of the blackguard, under all circumstances reprehensible, is especially out of place in the family circle, business or social conversation or friendly greeting; and yet the practice referred to prevails to a greater or less extent in all of them. It is high time to call a halt, to put the penalty of social ostracism on the individual who indulges in it. Peculiarly apropos in this connection are the lines of Cowper:

Maintain your rank, vulgarly despise; To swear is neither brave, polite nor wise.

Fire Meeting.

All members of Hose Co. No. 1 are requested to meet at Hose room Thursday, August 17th, at 8.30 P. M. Business of importance to transact. All committees will report without fail. F. J. BLACK, Pres.

E. T. MCGAW, Sec.

All persons indebted to me will please call and settle before Sept. 1st and save cost of collection. DR. JOE S. MCCREIGHT.

Do You Need Shoes?

We have the latest styles at popular prices. REED'S SHOE STORE.

Dish pans for 20, 25 and 35 cents at H. J. Nickle's.

Two for One.

We are making a special offer to each of our readers paying a year's subscription to the STAR in advance, and to all new subscribers paying in advance, we will give them the best local paper in Jefferson county and will give them free, either the *Woman* or *American Farmer*, for one year. The two papers above mentioned are excellent monthly papers and the subscription price of each is \$1.00 a year. This offer is made only to those in Pennsylvania.

A new line of necklaces and scarf pins at H. J. Nickle's.

Buy your baby moccasins at Robinson's.

The Old Story.

[New Bethlehem Vindicator] Barton Ecker, of Limestone township, is the victim of a first-class fraud. Some time early in the spring an agent came around introducing a new feed for stock. He at once struck Mr. Ecker, who keeps quite a lot of stock, and induced him to take 200 weight as a trial order. The feed did not arrive, but a short time ago a notice from the New Bethlehem Bank did, asking him to pay his note for \$200, when Mr. Ecker awoke to the fact that he had been swindled.

The people of Reynoldsville and vicinity know when they have a good thing; that accounts for the great increase in business at Reed's shoe store. Henry is a worker and knows how to buy and sell good footwear.

Five Cents a Line.

All cards of thanks and resolutions are charged for at a rate of five cents per line.

Ten pin hat racks for 10 cents, at H. J. Nickle's.

The American Farmer or Woman-kind free to all cash subscribers.

Shoes for style, shoes for wear, shoes for comfort at Reed's shoe store.

The Pumps of the Egyptian.

A representative piece of mechanism occurs frequently on the sculptures of early Egypt. It has the appearance of and is generally believed to be that of a portable pump. The hydraulic screw is also attributed to this people, but their main reliance seems always to have been the Shadoof, seen everywhere along the banks of the Nile, an invention so simple and so well adapted to their needs that it remains today substantially the same as it has through all the centuries since history began.

The same may be said regarding the chain pump in China, an invention the origin of which antedates the Christian era. This simple machine, which seems never to have been improved upon, is in such common use that every agricultural laborer is in possession of one. Where irrigation is conducted on a larger scale the chain pump is made proportionately larger and moved by a very simple tread wheel, and still larger ones are operated by yoking a buffalo or other animal to a suitable driving machine.

The application of steam to raising water is of uncertain origin. Long before the Christian era certain applications of fire to vessels containing water, by which effects were produced calculated to astonish ignorant worshippers, were practiced by the priests of Egypt, Greece and Rome, but their knowledge seems never to have been turned into any channel of secular usefulness.—Engineering Magazine.

We Owe the Hat to Asia.

We owe the hat to Asia, for it was in that country that the art of felting wool was first known, and from the most remote periods the art was carried on by the orientals. In India, China, Barmah and Siam hats are made of straw, of rattan, of bamboo, of pith, of the leaf of the Talipot palm and of a large variety of grasses. The Japanese made their hats of paper. The modern hat can be traced back to the petasus worn by the ancient Romans when on a journey, and hats with brims were also used by the earlier Greeks.

It was not until after the Roman conquest that the use of hats began in England. A "hatte of beiver," about the middle of the twelfth century, was worn by one of the nobles of the land. Fraisor describes hats and plumes which were worn at Edward's court in 1840, when the Garter order was instituted. The merchant in Chaucer's "Canterbury Tales" had "on his head a Flaunderish beaver hat," and from that period onward there is frequent mention of "felt hatte."—Washington Star.

No Law Against Removing a Dead Body.

"Where in the world," asked the lawyer who volunteered information without a retaining fee, "do people—especially people in the country—get the idea that one cannot touch or remove a body until the coroner has arrived? That is almost a general belief in the country, and there never was a more ridiculous and absurd piece of nonsense than this. I have seen a body lie in everybody's way because the people thereabout thought that it was unlawful to touch it. This foolish tradition amounts almost to a superstition, and you may be sure no coroner takes the trouble to enlighten stupid ignorance upon the subject. The coroner is only too willing to aggrandize his influence and power, and therefore rather encourages than discourages this silly superstition."—New York Tribune.

An Umbrella is Good For a Shower.

A man was once advised to take shower baths for the general improvement of his health. A friend explained to him how to fit up one by the use of a cistern and colander, and he accordingly set to work and had the thing arranged. Subsequently he was met by the friend who had given him the advice and was asked how he enjoyed the bath.

"My dear fellow," said he, "it was capital. I liked it really well, and what do you think? I kept myself dry too."

"Whatever do you mean?" exclaimed his friend, in natural surprise. "How-ever could you manage to take the shower and yet remain quite dry?"

"Why, you can't think for a moment I should be so stupid as to have a shower bath without an umbrella!" was the innocent reply.—London Tit-Bits.

In Mrs. Bismarck's House.

The Princess Bismarck conducts her house on the most delightful free and easy plan. Breakfast is served at all hours in the morning, each member of the family and each guest appearing only when ready. Dinner is supposed to be served at 3.30 o'clock, but it is generally 4 o'clock before the party is gathered around the board. Then they have coffee, and about 8 o'clock a promiscuous supper is served.—Philadelphia Press.

Why Will They Do It?

A Massachusetts minister pathetically said to a newspaper man the other day, "Why don't some of you reporters get up an article on 'Why women stand at the door (especially the screen door in fly time) for the last words after they have taken five minutes to half an hour indoors to say goodbye?' The poor man has suffered, as his wife admitted at the time, and spends half his leisure in summer fighting flies.

List of Jurors.

Following are the jurors drawn for the next term of court, commencing Sept. 11th, for Reynoldsville borough and Winslow township:

Grand jurors: Reynoldsville, Geo. Warnick, R. H. Wilson, Winslow township, F. G. Corbett. Petit jurors: Reynoldsville, James Fultz, C. Henry, Prof. W. H. Stamey, Sam'l E. Wiser, Winslow township, Robt. Adams, O. H. Broadhead, P. F. Finsel, Abraham Foy, Ed. Hughes, Pat. McCloskey, L. Stroup.

An entertainment will be given in the Mission Chapel at Pancoast on Thursday evening, August 17. The entertainment will consist of instrumental music by the band, vocal music, recitations, &c. Admission 25 cts., children 10 cts. Doors open at 7.00, entertainment will begin at 7.30. Proceeds to apply on minister's salary.

Horses for Sale

At reasonable prices. I will sell one heavy mare and colt four years old, one horse four years old, one horse three years old, two mares eight years old, one mare colt two years old. M. C. COLEMAN.

Go to Riston's for ammunitions of all kinds.

When in need of shoes go to Henry A. Reed, "the shoe man." He can suit you to a T.

Of Course he can Preach.

[Brookville Democrat.] Rev. J. H. Jelbart, of Emerickville, preached two good sermons in the Brookville M. E. church last Sunday. His evening sermon was especially fine. His success as a preacher is remarkable when it is considered that eight years ago he was a coal miner at Reynoldsville. He was a little embarrassed in the morning, but spoke with ease and freedom in the evening, and to the evident pleasure and edification of his large audience.

Go to W. C. Schultze & Son's for "Minnehaha" flour, the only place where it is sold in town.

Ten piece decorated toilet set for \$3.50 at H. J. Nickle's.

Bargains in tan shoes at Robinson's.

Lodging at the World's Fair for sale at the STAR office cheap.

"Fire! Fire! Fire!"

REYNOLDSVILLE, PA., July 5, 1893. To all whom it may concern: My dwelling house on Hill street, Reynoldsville, Pa., was struck by lightning on June 25th and was insured in N. G. Pinney's agency, Brookville, Pa., by Walter Spry, solicitor. The loss was paid Thursday and I can recommend Pinney's agency as prompt and reliable.—10-6. JOHN WILLIAMS.

CAUTION NOTICE.

All persons are hereby cautioned not to meddle or interfere with the following personal property, to-wit: One horse, 1 cow, 1 set harness, 1 sleigh, 1 buggy, 1 organ, and household furniture, now in the possession of John W. Wylam and Mrs. Anna Wylam, as the same belongs to me, having bought it Aug. 10th, 1893, and is left with them subject to my orders. W. A. CATHERS, Rathmel, Pa., Aug. 12, 1893.

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Every Woman Sometimes needs a reliable monthly regulating medicine. Dr. PEAL'S PENNYROYAL PILLS. Are prompt, safe and certain in result. Sold by H. Alex. Stoke, druggist. Mrs. Ida M. Winkup Has been introducing to the Public a soap known as The Physicians and Surgeons FINE TOILET SOAP AND COMPLEXION CREAM. Her many customers can now be supplied with those most beneficial articles by calling at the store of Wm. Copping and the drug store of J. C. King & Co., East Main street; the stores of M. J. Coyle, Mrs. J. McEntire, Reynoldsville; Wm. Burgo and D. B. Stauffer, West Reynoldsville. SUBSCRIBE FOR "THE STAR" and get all the home news. Seeley, Alexander & Co., BANKERS. Organized in 1884. Paid up Capital \$60,000. Stockholders: Geo. G. Sprague, Thos. McCreight, L. P. Seeley, E. D. Seeley, W. B. Alexander.