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A BUDDING HUMORIST.

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Merry Memories of a First Meeting With Artemus Ward.

On going into the Cleveland Plain Deater editorial rooms one morning I saw a new man, who was introduced to me as Mr. Browne.

He was young, cheerful in manner, tall and slender, not quite up to date in style of dress, yet by no means shabby. His hair was flaxen and very straight; his nose, the prominent feature of his face, was Romanesque—quite violently so—and with a leaning to the left. His eyes were blue gray, with a twinkle in them; his mouth seemed so given to a merry laugh, so much in motion, that it was difficult to describe.

It seemed as though bubbling in him was a lot of happiness which he made no effort to conceal or hold back. When we were introduced, he was sitting at his table writing. He gave his leg a smart slap, arose, shook hands with me and said he was glad to meet me. I believed him, for he looked glad all the time. You could not look at him but he would laugh. He laughed as he sat at his table writing. When he had written a thing which pleased him, he would slap his leg and laugh.

I noticed that George Hoyt and James Brokenshire at their tables were pleased with his merriment and induged in broad smiles. As I bade him and the others good morning he said, "Come again, me liege." I thanked him, said I would and went my way, thinking what a funny fellow he was.

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RAILWAY TIES.

The Swedish government is disposed to adopt electricity on its entire rail-way system.

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Prussla's recent action in making all railway return tickets valid forty-five days has been promptly followed by Saxony and Baden.

Tourists in Egypt can now take a trolley car in the main street of Cairo direct to the pyramids. In a short time a line will be built, equipped with American cars, to run from the ocean front at Pirsus to the Parthenon at Athens.

Athens.

The Pennsylvania railroad proposes spending millions to extend its line to Montauk Point, at the eastern end of Long Island, so that the ocean voyage may be shortened. The tunneling of East river and the bridging or tunneling of the North river are enterprises included in the scheme.

HAPPINESS.

Man makes his own misery. So does

Happiness depends upon the attitude

The highest forms of happiness are the easiest obtainable.

Men understand much better the art of happiness than women.

We cultivate our misery at the ex-pense of our capacity for happiness.

The kindness of rown is aftern the The kindness of men is oftener the expression of their own satisfaction than the desire to please.

The power to please comes with practice only. Everybody knows how to be disagreeable.—Sarah Grand.

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Threw Up the Sponge.

His Loving Spouse (who has been talking for five minutes without a break)—I'd like to know, now, what you've got to say for yourself. When you went down town I told you exactly the kind of bath sponge I wanted, and you wrote it down, and now you bring me this miserable, pitiful, good for nothing. What are you throwing that sponge up in the air for?

Mr. Meeker—My dear, it's the only thing I can do.—Chicago Tribune.

WASHINGTON LETTER

Ispecial Correspondence.]
Dr. P. M. Rixey continues to visit the White House delly, as he used to do during the administration of President McKinley. President and Mrs. Roosevelt have made no selection of a family physician, and Dr. Rixey occupies that position. Whether he will remain in that capacity when he becomes surgeon general of the navy is not known. The late Dr. Bates, surgeon general of the army, was the first physician to President and Mrs. McKinley. When he died, Dr. Leonard Wood, now General Wood, was designated to the position. He remained until the breaking out of the war with Spain, when he went to the front as colonel of the rough ridgers. Dr. Sternberg, surgeon general of the army, was next looking after the health of President and Mrs. McKinley, but only for a short time, when he went a surgeon general of the army, was next looking after the health of President and Mrs. McKinley, but only for a short time when he was succeeded by Dr. Rixey The latter called at the White House daily for three years.

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Currency to Send Through Mails.

The recent robbery of the Chicago postoffice and the possibility that the robbers will dispose of \$74,000 worth of stolen stamps has called attention afresh to the need of some kind of subsidiary currency which can be sent through the mails. It was never incheded that stamps be used as money, yet the enormous growth of the mail order business has really brought that result about. The mail order conorder business has really brought that result about. The mail order concerns accumulate large quantities of stamps, and to convert them into money often have to sell at a discount. Thus a "stamp trade" has sprung up which enables burglars to dispose of stolen stamps with little danger of detection. The next congress will doubtless be called upon to consider plans for relieving this situation.

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Miss Roosevelt's Chums.

Miss Harriet Wadsworth of New York, daughter of Representative Wadsworth, will be a close contemporary of Miss Roosevelt, as will be also Miss Helen Mackay-Smith and Miss Mathilde Townsend.

Miss Mackay-Smith is the eldest daughter of Rev. Dr. Mackay-Smith, who is in charge of the quaint colonial church at Washington, St. John's, which has been the scene of so many historic ceremonies and is one of the principal places of interest to all sight-seers in Washington.

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Miss Townsend will make her debut in December, and has just returned from Europe, where, with her mother, she has spent the past six months, having been much admired in Paris and at the German baths.

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The District Budget.

The District commissioners have transmitted to the secretary of the treasury their estimates of the appropriations that will be needed for the support of the government of the District for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1903. The sum asked is \$10.430,881.87. The sum asked for the preceding year. The sum asked for the preceding year was \$9,080,703.94, and the sum appropriated was \$7,532,519.31. The secretary of the treasury will forward the

estimates to congress.

In making public the estimates Commissioner Macfarland stated that the missioner Marchanda stated that commissioners had followed this year, as last, the policy of asking for what is really necessary, regardless of the possible deficit due to the diversion of District funds by congress to street extension purpose. sion purposes

Isthmian Canal Commission

The isthmian canal commission got together here and is now hard at work together here and is now hard at work finishing up its report, which it promises to have in the president's hands long enough in advance of the meeting of congress to enable him to make use of it in preparing his annual message. The president of the Panama Canal company is here trying to get the commission to report in favor of buying his canal. It will be remembered that it spreliminary report made to President McKinley last year the commission declared against such a purchase.

President Garfield's Wildow.

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President Garfield's Widow.

Word comes from the Mentor (O.) farm of the Garfields that the widow of the former president, who is now well on in years, is in a serious condition of ill health. Her only daughter, the little Mollie of the White House years ago, now Mrs. J. Stanley Brown and the mother of several children, has gone with her family and mother to California for the possible benefit of the latter. They have leased for the winter a beautiful cottage on Orange Grove avenue in Pasadena. in Pasadena

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The Bonapartes.

Mrs. Jerome Bonaparte and her son, Mr. Jerome Bonaparte and her son, Mr. Jerome N. Bonaparte, arrived at their Washington home the other day, after a visit of several months to the Count and Countess de Moltke-Huit-feldt, at their estate in Glorup, Denmark. Mr. Bonaparte is the third of that name to be known in this country and is the great-grandson of Jerome Bonaparte, the Corsican, and younger brother of Napoleon I., who, in 1803, married the beautiful Baltimorean, Miss Elizabeth Patterson.

By building some bedchambers in the attic for women servants the presidential family have contrived to settle themselves comfortably in the White House and reserve one commodious chamber for guests. Doubtless there will be times when it would be convenient to have two or more guest chambers but the Roseevits may be trusted

Never Touched Him Shorts-The papers misstated so details of that accident today.

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Longs—How so?

Shorts—They stated that the tramp
who stole a ride on a mud scow was
washed overboard. He wasn't. I saw
him when they pulled him out, a.d he
was just as dirty as when he left the
boat.—Harlem Life.



or from diseases which they contract because the are in a weak and feeble condition from bowel troubles.

Mothers who are seeking the ideal and proper medicine to give their little ones for stipation, diarrhoza, colic and simple fevers will find LAXAKOLA the great family

It is the best and most effective laxative for children. BEST because it is safe and made entirely of harmless ingredients. BEST because it is non-irritating and never gripes or causes pain or irritation, BEST because it is sure and never fails. BEST because "Children like it and ask for it."

It is a dangerous thing to give little babies violent remedies that rack and renotheir little bodies. DON'T DO IT-give them LAXAKOLA.

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A few drops can be given with safety to very young babies and will often relieve coile by expelling the wind and gas that cause it, and it also will check simple fevers, break up colds and clear the coated tongue.

Great relief is experienced when administered to young children suffering from diarrhoa, accompanied with white or green evacuations, from the fact that Laxakola neutralizes the acidity of the bowels and carries out the cause of fermentation, aids digestion, relieves restlessness, assists nature and induces sleep.

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THE WAY OF A TORNADO.

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"A tornado that was remarkable both in appearance and in action was one that traveled from Texas across Oklahoma and Indian Territory in May, 1806," says Earl W. Mayo in Ainslee's.

"A man in Sherman, Okla., who had exceptional opportunities for observing the storm, inasmuch as he was caught up in it and carried several hundred yards before descending to earth again, is certain that it was not funnel shaped. He says of it:

"It looked to me like a great ball of vapor rolling over and over toward me. When I first saw it distinctly, it was at a hill perhaps an eighth of a mile away. It seemed to be about 250 yards wide and 100 feet high. The moton was that of a ball rolling over and over, not spiral, and it came on rather slowly, perhaps thirty miles an hour. Whatever the ball of cloud struck was lifted right off the ground.

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"I saw it pick up house after house between the hill and me, and the cloud seemed to be full of flying boards and timbers. When the ball reached Mrs. C.'s, the house nearest me, it went straight up off its foundations. The house remained intact until it was about twenty or twenty-five feet from the ground, then it burst open and the fragments flew in all directions. It looked like an exploding bomb. The corn and cotton standing a hundred feet on either side of the storm's path were uninjured, but whenever the cloud struck the higher ground it spread out, covering a wider strip of the surface.

surface. 'When the cloud struck me, I went when the cloud struck me, I went up lightly and easily and the sensation was not unpleasant, but I came down hard and was badly shaken up, al-though not seriously injured. On the highway north of Sherman fence wires were torn from the posts and pounded into the hard surface of the road a dis-tance of two or three inches."

THE WOMAN WHO FAINTED A Lesson on Courtesy In a Crowded London Theater.

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Here is an example of the courtesy and good feeling of the twentieth century. How are we to account for it? The worst of it is that in such a case the innocentsuffer for the guilty. When a woman does really faint, there will be some hesitation before she receives a seat, consolation and brandy.

In an overcrowded pit of one of the London theaters the other night a lady, who was standing, suddenly became very faint, and another lady sitting near kindly offered her her seat. Not only this, but, seeing that she did not recover quickly, she went and fetched some restoratives from the refreshment room, whereupon the lady quickly recovered and began to thoroughly enter into the spirit of the play, apparently quite oblivious of her benefactress.

As time went on she was asked by her benefactress if she would object to her sitting down again. But the other would none of it. "Now I have a seat I mean to keep it!" she replied. Whereupon her benefactress gently reminded her that she had paid for her seat and thought that she had every right to return to it. But no amount of talking would apparently move the former.

A gentleman sitting near, having watched the episode, leanned forward and said, "Do you intend to give up your seat?" "No." was the reply. Up he sprang and gently lifted her out of it. An onlooker said to a lady next to fer, "I like that man." "Thank you,"

he sprang and gently. Hited her out of it. An onlooker said to a lady next to her, "I like that man." "Thank you," was the reply; "he is my husband." There seems to be no limit to the re-sources used by some people to secure what they have not paid for. The lady was no more faint than any one else in was no more faint than any one else in the audience.—London Free Lance.

The Necessity of Salt.

Although in treaties on dietetics salt figures as a condiment, it is universally recognized to be something more; indeed it is an indispensable element of known authority asserts, says The

Medical Press and Circular, that when ever the annual consumption of salt falls below twenty pounds per head of population the public health is likely to suffer. The deprivation of salt does not produce a definite disease, but reduces the vitality of the organism as a whole, so that the victims of adminis trative measures which restrict the consumption of salt more readily fall prey to prevailing epidemics, as as to endemic maladies.

FLOWER AND TREE.

Never buy a plant in bloom Never water plants in flower from

In planting out an orchard do not plant more than can be manured and cared for well.

A yard or lawn always looks barren

without some choice ornamental trees and shrubs. On this account every lawn should contain a few choice speci-mens of these ornamental trees. Scale insects on plants, such as the oleanders, the fragrant olive, roses etc., are among the most difficult pests

to overcome. A mixture of white helle-bore powder with dissolved soap rub-bed in is a good remedy.

Keeping all young trees carefully staked leads to the formation of clean, staked leads to the formation of cleans, straight stems. These in their turn are conducive to the growth of large, healthy, fruitful heads. One stout stake should be placed by each tree when it is planted.

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Crocus must be planted in October to insure spring blooms. It makes a fine appearance if thickly planted upon a lawn. Make a cut with a spade three or four inches deep in the sod, tuck in a couple of bulbs and press the sod back into place, with the foot

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Habits of Seals.

The habits of seals are very interesting. The very young seal is helpless in the water until he is taught by his mother to swim. She takes him into the water daily on her fin and dumps him in, and when he gets tired of floundering about places him on her fin again and returns to her camp. When the young seals are well grown, they suddenly disappear with their mothers and the bull seals. No one knows where they go, and their return is equally as sudden as their departure. The bulls are the first to put in an appearance at the campling ground. When they arrive, they commence at once to prepare a camp for their mates, which they stake off, and for which they fight until they die. In the meantime the female seals remain quite a distance from land, floating lazily on the water and seemingly having a good time. the water and seemingly having a good

time.

Round to Sound Their "H."

The English middle classes have bad so much fun poked at them for dropping the letter "h" and for carrying it forward and placing it where it should not be, possibly thus to obey the laws of compensation, that they have become sensitive on the subject, and many aspirate the "h" with double force when the letter should be aspirated. Instead of saying "before him," as Americans do, with a light aspiration, they will say "before him," taking a full and deep breath when they utter the second word, shooting it out as if it came from a popgun. Dropping the "h" is not new for ordinary English folk. It is a new trick to aspirate it with double the force required.—New York Commercial Advertiser

Oyster Shells.

One thousand bushels of shucked oysters leave about 1,100 bushels of shells, which accumulate in great heaps about the shucking houses. The oyster shells landed on the shores of Maryland during the last ninety years have been reckoned at 12,000,000 tons—a quantity twice sufficient to overload and sink every sailing vessel, steam vessel, barge and canalboat in America.

Soda water-all flavors-at Kelper's.



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is doing. How would you like to reduce your shoe wants to two pairs a year? How would you like to wear the custom-made \$5.00 kind for \$3.50 a pair? Made in the custom way, of choicest selections of leather, they are the snappy, thoroughbred, 20th Century Shoes. It's a pleasure to show them.

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Our Assortment of Men's and Boys' Underwear

embraces every variety in the market. We have all weights and qualities and can suit you at any price from \$1.50 per garment down.

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our stock is by far the largest in the town. We carry the latest styles in these goods and sell at reasonable figures. All people pay the same price at this store, and the child receives the same service as the man.

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South Centre Street.



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ARRANGEMENT OF PASSENGER TRAINS.

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For further information inquire of Ticket

Trains leave Deliton for Harwood, Granterry, Tomhicken and Deringer at 60 a m, daily except Sunday; and 707 a m, 238 p m, Sunday; and 707 a m, 238 p m, Sunday; and 707 a m, 238 p m, Sunday; and 707 a m, 258 p m, Sunday; and 853 a m, 422 p m.

Trains leave Deringer for Tombicket, Cranberry, Hai wood, Hazleton Junction and Roma at 500 p. m., daily except Sunday; and 307 am, 507 pm, Sunday.

Trains leaves Sheppton for Oneida, Humboldt Road, Harwood Road, Oneida Junction, Hazleton Junction and Roan at 711 am, 1240, 528 p. m., daily except Sunday; and 511 a. m., 344 p. Trains leaves Sheppton and Standay; and 511 a. m., 344 p. Trains leaves Sheppton and Standay; and 511 am, 344 p. Trains leaves Sheppton and Standay; and 511 am, 344 p. Trains leaves Sheppton and Standay; and 511 am, 344 p. Trains leaves Sheppton and Standay; and 511 am, 344 p. Trains leaves Sheppton and Standay; and Standay Sheppton and Shep

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