

Crazy Visitors at the White House.

"In General Grant's time," said Mr. Dunn, "we were greatly bothered by Abraham Jolia, a crazy Dutchman, who used to present himself when the gates opened in the morning and spend the rest of the day in trying to get access to the President. He was the most persistent and persevering man I ever saw. In his second term, a big wicked-looking negro—he was over 6 foot and built in proportion—came to me and asked me to let him see the President. He was an evil-disposed looking villain, and had a trick of only showing you the whites of his eyes. I suspected he was not all right and questioned him pretty closely. While I was talking to him I noticed that he kept his right hand in his left breast-pocket, and I was afraid he had a revolver there. I made an excuse and got away so as to call Officer Kearney, to whom I imparted my suspicions. The officer, under the pretext that he would lead him to the President, enticed him from the house and caged him in the police station. Search showed that his left breast-pocket contained a loaded revolver of large size. I don't remember his name or what was done with him."

"Can you remember any other crazy man?" "Not by name. Well, yes; have you ever heard of John Biggins? No? Well, he was a big Irishman about 6 feet four, and as strong as a yoke of oxen. He was a rough-looking chap, too, and had a hand like a leg of mutton. He was as crazy as a loon, but only on one point, and that he never showed until the occasion arrived. He was one of President Grant's visitors. One day he called, looking as sober as a judge and as quiet as a lamb, and asked to see the President. His name was sent up stairs, and after waiting awhile he was shown into the President's reception room.

"What can I do for you, Mr. Biggins?" asked the President. "President Grant," said Biggins, his craziness breaking out for the first time, "I wish you to understand that I don't want you peeping through the keyhole of my bedroom door any more. If you do it again I'll shoot you dead, as sure as my name is Biggins."

"So would I if I were you," replied President Grant, not a muscle of his face moving; "I can assure you it will not occur again." "The coolness of the President probably saved his life, for Biggins was armed and desperate. He is now in the insane asylum."

A Wonderful Filly.

The greatest achievement of the celebrated breeding stallion Middletown, now at the Speedwell stock farm, Lebanon county, and one that has placed him in the very front rank of trotting sires, is the production of that wonderful filly "Parity" that has shown on a half mile track with sharp turns and a heavy grade 2:22 and repeated in 2:23, which is fully equal to 2:19 on a good mile track, a truly remarkable performance and one that has rarely been equaled by a five-year old. Parity is a dark bay with black points full fifteen hands, but appears much larger, is a highly formed substantial and muscular looking mare, that plainly shows the blood of her Abdallah dam, has an unusually fine disposition, showing no excitement whatever when in company on the track, and has a long steady stride that carries her to the end of the mile without skip or break with the greatest possible ease. In fact she possesses all the desired qualities necessary for the reliable track horse, and should she fall into skillful hands will have a most brilliant future.

Badly Mixed.

A sad case of "mixing up" is the topic on the West Side just now, which brings Little Buttercup's confession to mind, without the onus of intentional cheating accompanying it. The son of a West Side justice is possessed of a very pretty daughter, 2 1/2 years old. A friend of his has also a daughter of the same age, and the likeness existing between the two is so marked as to occasion comment among their acquaintances. About a week ago the two families went to a moonlight picnic in Douglas Park and at its close the usual maternal skimish for roaming little ones ensued, after which the friends parted. Arrived at home the wife of the gentleman referred to discovered that she had taken her friend's child for her own, and no time was lost in seeking to make the exchange. To her astonishment, however, the other mother claimed that she was in possession of her own child, and that she was convinced that the lady must be mistaken. The latter, however, is equally convinced that she has got the wrong baby; and so the matter rests.

A Wife Deserts Her Infirm Husband.

JERSEY CITY, N. J., July 25.—Ann Devere, who resides in Johnston, Penn'a., where it is said she has three sons in independent circumstances, brought her husband, an old, infirm man here yesterday and left him on the street and started

back for Pennsylvania, when she was arrested by Capt. McKay at the instance of the Overseer of the Poor. This morning, when arraigned before Judge Peloubit, she positively refused to take her husband away with her, and the Judge ordered her to be locked up until she shall give some guarantee that her husband will not become a charge of the city.

A Maine Whirlwind.

PORTLAND, Me., July 27.—A whirlwind passed through Cumberland Centre and Yarmouth Foreside last night, mowing a path a quarter of a mile wide through fields, fences and orchards, destroying crops and snapping off trees six inches in diameter. No buildings were in the track, but many houses had glass shattered by the heavy hail which accompanied it. About fifty farmers lost their crops, valued at from \$200 to \$400 each.

John Sheppard, an infidel of Orion, Neb., built a platform alongside a Methodist camp meeting ground, and made daily speeches against the doctrines preached by the Methodist ministers. He was a great annoyance to the Christians, and they tried hard to convert him, but all in vain. One day an impulsive clergyman prayed that, if Sheppard could be silenced in no other way, he might be removed by death. That evening the infidel died very suddenly, and it would be difficult to convince the people thereabout that he was not killed in direct answer to prayer.

The Johnstown Tribune of Tuesday says: Mr. Job Wetzel, who resides on a farm in the vicinity of Mineral Point, was driving across the track of the Pennsylvania railroad at that station this evening when the way passenger train, westward-bound, came along. The engine struck the vehicle and the gentleman named was thrown out, sustaining injuries which will probably prove fatal. His son, who is aged some 12 years, was dragged with the wagon over forty feet, when he was tossed out, without serious injury.—The harness broke, and the horses escaped uninjured.

A gentleman traveling in Scotland on Sunday came across a curious instance of Scotch piety. Accompanied by three friends, he entered a hotel and asked for four small whiskies. "We dinna mak sma' glasses on the Sabbath!" was the waitress' shocked reply.

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Certainly a strong opinion, said one of our reporters to whom the following was detailed by Mr. Henry Kaschop, with Mr. Geo. E. Miller, 418 Main St., this city; I suffered so badly with rheumatism in my leg last winter, that I was unable to attend to my work, being completely helpless. I heard of St. Jacobs Oil and bought a bottle, after using which I felt greatly relieved. With the use of the second bottle I was completely cured. In my estimation there is nothing on earth so good for rheumatism as St. Jacobs Oil. It acts like a charm.—Worcester (Mass.) Spy.

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