NEWS PARAGRAPHS.

General Prim's father was a butcher. General Grant had 16 votes for coroner in Jasper county, Illinois. Ben. Wade says the Vice Presidency

is all in the family, at any rate.

Henry A wise has nothing better to do than write his autobiography. There is a wine cellar in London ex-

tending eleven acres under ground. Cheyenne, a local paper says, offered Parepa \$1,000 to "switch off there and

sing a song." The Pope has a navy of thirteen vessels. Its principal cruising ground is in

the Holy Sec. Nasby says that it is a curious fact that Grant's first battle was at Belment

and his last conflict was with Belmont. A Boston paper says of Mrs. Scott-Siddons that "as far as personal pulchritude is concerned, the lady is an indu-

bitable success.' The 300 hands engaged by the Merrick Thread Company, in Holyoke, (Mass.) turn out 3,000 dozen spools of cotton daily.

is one one of \$3 for the best child under der came for the guard to keep the seven years old. Several flowing oil wells have been

strike has created quite an excitement in each soldier and the order was obeyed. that part of the country. A young lady named Hill was shot and

killed by a young man named Grimes, in Girrard county, Ky. The Charleston Courier of the 1st announces the arrival of the steamship

Golden Horn from Liverpool, the first on the new line. Kernesville, North Carolina, with scarcely a hundred inhabitants, has sent North this fall nearly \$100,000 worth of | trol it."

dried fruit. the shape of an immense anchor, weighing 9,000 pounds, has been raised, and is on exhibition at Norfolk, Va.

A child born at Woodstock, without arms, is to be carried to the agricultural fair to receive alms.

J. D. Cow and M. P. Bull have gone into Company to publish the Commercial. The yearly issue will be bound in calf .-Vancouver Register.

The Tampa, Fla., Peninsular, says the Seminole Indians are about to leave Big Cipress and go to Lake Okechobie, where it is more healthy.

A modest old lady in Lowell, Mass., characterized her canine, when she applied for a license, as "a boy dog of the black spaniel variety."

Taking the total vote cast at the recent election as a basis, (counting six inhabitants to every voter), the present population of the State of Illinois is estimated at 2,686,314, which is an increase of

974,561 since 1860. and furnishing his house here ready for occupancy next spring when he expects to come here as Secretary of the Navy under Gen. Grant. He is now in command of the Naval Schools at Anuapolis."

On the Virginia side of the Potomac. opposite the Alexandria aqueduct, a tract of land has been purchased by the Alex-

Columbus, Kentucky, is a hard place. An old farmer who had been badly swindled there, said of it:

"If the angel Gabriel happpens to light at Columbus, there'll be no resurrection, for they'll swindle him out of his trumpet | nectar in comparison. before he can make a toot!"

A young Albany girl, after receiving the attentions of a young man for several months, abruptly asked him when he intended to marry her. The young man then said he was not on the marry. She then broke a tea-pot, filled with boiling water, over his head. Too bad, to waste a tea-pot!

Here is a family puzzle: In the family of Stephen Herrick, of Middlesex, grandmothers, one great grandmother, three daughters, two grand-daughters, one great grand-daughter, two wives, one widow, two husbands, two fathers, two were able to go soberly enough to their sons-in-law, and one grandfather, and homes. only six in the family.

PASSIONATE, BUT HONEST .- The Cork Reporter describes Mr. John Mitchell as "passionate, suspicious, and implacable by nature;" but it says "his faults are counterbalanced by one great virtue. He is one of the honestest men that ever lived. He hates a lie with a refreshing hatred, and is at the throat of him who utters it, be he friend or foe."

We should judge from the following paragraph which we clip from the Dalles Mountaineer, that its editor, our old bachelor friend, Wm. M. Hand, was living in clover. We are glad to know there is one place where editors are cared for. The editor says: We have received a number of presents this week, and we feel we are very fortunate for having so many friends. Among the list were several bottles of champagne, two of port, one box of apples, a large fine oured ham of venison and a large fruit cake. For all of which the donors will please accept our sincere thanks.

Grant's Justice to Soldiers.

We glean the following interesting incident of the late war from Phelp's Life of Grant:

When the steamers ran into Vicksburg after the capture of that city by our forces, for the purpose of carrying the furloughed soldiers home, some of the Captains took advantage of the soldiers' eagerness to charge the most outrageous rates. One of these heartless money grabbers was brought to terms by Grant in the following manner:

The steamer had its decks crowded with soldiers. Grant asked a man standing on the wheel-house and giving orders

"Are you the Captain of this boat?" "Yes, General." "How many soldiers have you on

board ?" "About twelve hundred and fifty."

"What have you charged for fare to Cairo?" 'From ten to twenty-five dollars each,

"Ten to twenty-five dollars each! Is that all? Why that is too moderate! It is a pity that you should have to take the boys for so small a sum. You had better wait awhile."

Speaking to the officer on board, he walked away. Then the steam whistled, the bell rang, and the wheels began to move slowly, but for some reason she was Among the premiums offered by the not cast off. The men could not under-Stratford (N. H.) Agricultural Society stand it until, in a few moments, the orsteamer until the Captain paid back all over seven dollars taken for fare from struck near Port Angel, Mexico. The each officer and all over five dollars from The men knew that they had been victimized, but felt helpless. When they learned what the General had done, they gave three cheers for Grant with a will

Grant said to one of his staff: "Fil teach these steamboat men that the boys who have opened the river for them are not to be plundered of their hard earnings on their first trip home. If trade is to follow that flag so soon, it immediately, he felt so lonesome. shall be honest trade so far as I can con-

A relic of the famed ram Merrimac, in A Marriage Feast-Singular Customs in Normandy.

A wedding dinner in Normandy is a serious affair to undertake, and demands both time and patience on the part of a novice. As for the habitus, they seem to enjoy it very highly. The company sat down to eat at noon, and when we left at noon the next day they had not yet left the table, but proposed staying another twenty-four hours. Although there was occasionally some sleepiness among the conviver, there was no lack of gayety. Roguish old uncles detailed all the old staple wedding jokes, more or less indecent, which were laughed at as heartily as if they had never been heard of before, and teasing old aunts and grand dames told or hinted all the old ing on 'em all to bits." scandal that might hector or bring the blushes to the faces of any of the young

fellows present. Incessantly the unfailing bottles passed round from hand to hand, the glasses clicked together, and the health of every body was toasted over and over again. The New York Sun's Washington During the festivities it is the duty of special says: "Admiral Porter is refitting the groomsman to sit by the bride and see that she is served with everything on the table; also, he must watch, or at the moment when his eyes are turned away, or when he has left her place for an instant, another will steal away the bride, take her to another seat and assume the honors of groomsman. This causes a great many stratagenes and furandria Canal, Railroad and Bridge Com- nishes from time to time a laughing pany, where they propose laying out a scene. The company would often leave site for a town. wine and that favorite of the Norman gentleman who is ashamed to be seen countrymen apple brandy. The latter is, undoubtedly, the most villainous liquor in the world; forty rod whisky is

The farmers distill their own brandy, and make it of a very high proof, from 7 to 10 per cent. higher than other brandies. Again, it is used when quite new, and, in consequence, harsh. For any one whose stomach is not already well cauterized with drink, a single glass of brandy is enough to make him sick for a a week. How the people at the wedding were able to do so, I cannot understand, but I know that for 24 hours they continued to drink at short intervals of Vermont, there are three mothers, two this brandy, alternately with wine and cider, yet nobody was seriously intoxicated, and I venture to say they continued the operation for 24 hours more, yet

Wedding festivities, especially when there is dancing, often lasts for three or four days of a continual carouse, during which nobody sleeps, unless it is to take a nap in their chairs, at the table, or, perhaps, lay down for a couple of hours. The happy pair usually quit the com-pany at the end of 24 hours or so, and eave them to feast and frolic until fatigue compels them to go home.

To DRIVE OFF RATS.—Take a bunch of matches and soak them over night in a teacupful of water with Indian meal kinds of exterminators with poor success about my premises, and make short stops when they call, and go away with a terrible squeak, and a terrible gripping in the stomach.

A butcher let a sailor have a shoulder of mutton on trust; but finding, in a day or two after, that he had gone to a foreign

"My word! but if I had known he never intended paying, I would have tice of the Louisville Journal, is ancharged a penny a pound more for it!" nounced.

VARIOUS ITEMS.

The man who was caught napping is supposed to have been a hatter. If you would look "spruce" in your

age, don't "pine" in your youth. Laugh at no man for his pug nose; you never can tell what may turn up.

Quilp suggests hair pins as the only preventive against bair falling off. A chemist, even in the streets, is known by his lineaments.

Heavy charge of the light brigade-The opposite of the seeds of discontent

-caraway seeds. Was any barber ever applied to to shave

the beard of an oyster? A popular work of art-drawing one's

Good men to attend auctions-men whose faces are forbidding. "You make my blood boil!" as the live lobster cried out in the saucepan.

A burden which was thoughtlessly got must be patiently borne.

"La, me, they don't send the paper, but they send the writing in a fluid state. The question is raised whether the grief of a mullatte can be considered yel-

A bore-the man who persists in talking about himself when you wish to talk about yourself. The new moon reminds one of a giddy

much reflection. It may be a fair question whether a man can be said to be wedded to cel-

girl, because she is too young to show

True in one sense-A writer may be said to be more free than a King, inasmuch as he can choose his own subjects. The object some wives have in blowing up their husbands is doubtless to have

them come down. . The man who minds his own business was in the city a few days ago, but left

Mr. Pollywog says there is no danger of being capsized if you only go to the Wheels, like men, are often tired, and

very frequently from a kindred cause-

going round so much. The noblest sight on earth is a man talking reason and his wife listening to

What is the difference between a hen

and an idle musician? One lays at pleasure and the other plays at leisure. Slander not others because they have slandered you, bite not a reptile because

you have felt his bite. If a gentleman marries, the lady must be won before they are married-after they are both one. "Well, wife, I don't see how they can

send a letter on them wires without tear-The lady who took a fancy, concluded

What is more natural that sentimental young ladies, when they get married, should cease to be pensive and get ex-

pensive. When no prognostics of rain can be observed, if we see a lot of young fellows turn into a tavern, we may be certain there will be a few drops, even in the dryest weather.

Humble persons-The husband who does his wife's churning, the wife who blacks her husbands boots, and the man who thinks you do him much honor.

Gentle people—The young lady who lets her mother do the ironing for fear of spoiling her hands, the miss who wears two, around the streets. The drink was thin shoes on a rainy day, and the young walking with his father.

A painfully religious old woman being asked her opinion of the organ in a church, the first time she had ever seen or heard one, replied:

"It is a pretty box of whistles, but oh! it's an awful way to spend the Sabbath." A good story is told of two young ladies who were visiting some friends in the eastern part of Maine. One day a young gent took them out to ride. Of course they must make a display of their rural knowledge, discussing volubly upon various objects as they rode along. Coming in sight of a field in which some grain was in the bunch and covered with hay caps, one of them exclaimed.

"Oh, what a funny grave yard!" to which the other responded: "O, you goose, that's nothing but a flock of sheep!"

TOBACCO DEALERS .- Under the Internal Revenue Act of July 20, 1868, it is provided that all taxes on tobacco and snuffs shall be paid by stamps attached to the packages containing the same. The following is an extract from Sec. 28: "After the first day of January, eighteen hundred and sixty-nine, all smoking, fine cut chewing tobacco of snuff shall be taken and deemed as manufactured after the passage of this act, and shall not be sold or offered for sale unless put up in packages and stamped as prescribed by this act * * * and any persons who to a stiff dough, adding a spoonful of shall sell or offer for sale, after the first sugar and a lttle lard, and lay it about day of January, 1869, any smoking, finethe premises where the rats and nothing cut chewing tobacco or snuff not so put else will get it. I have tried different up in packages and stamped, shall on conviction be fined not less than five hununtil I tried this. Rats are now strangers | dred dollars * * and imprisonment not less than six months." Sec. 70 says, "The absence of the proper stamp on any package of manufactured tobacco or snuff shall be notice to all persons that the tax has not been paid thereon and shall be prima face evidence of the non-payment thereof, and such to-

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