

An Excited Elephant.

Out at Twenty-second and Bolton streets yesterday transpired another terrible combat with an infuriated beast in which a human life was nearly sacrificed.

Yesterday morning Mr. George Forepaugh, keeper of the celebrated elephant "Romeo," who is known to be the most vicious animal ever publicly exhibited, and whose title among showmen is the "champion man-killer," entered the building as usual to attend to the wants of his huge pet.

The brute was apparently in the best of moods, and Mr. Forepaugh apprehended no danger. However this fancied security while peering through an aperture at the performance of some member of the troop who was exercising in the ring attached to the building, Mr. Forepaugh was reminded of Romeo's presence and dangerous instincts by suddenly finding himself entangled in the coils of the trunk of the animal.

The unlicked man was hurled through the air with tremendous force, in his ascent reaching the roof of the stable. Fortunately he fell on a pile of blankets. But he was in more imminent danger than ever—directly under the feet and completely in the power of the infuriated beast.

He visited us the other day in our sanctum with a—"How do you do, old fellow?" "Hallo, Tom," said we, "where have you been so long?" "Why, sir, I've been down on Severn River, in Anne Arundel county, Maryland, taking Shanghai notes on the chills and fever."

"Ah, indeed," said we, "are they very bad down there?" "Rather bad," said Tom, drily. "There is one place where they have been attempting to build a brick house for eight weeks—well, the other day the bricks preparatory to finishing it, they were taken with a chill, and shook the whole building completely down, and kept on shaking till the bricks were dust of the finest quality. Just at that juncture, the chills came on with renewed force, and they commenced shaking with such gusto that they were utterly obscured for hours, and the people of the neighborhood thought the sun was in an eclipse."

"Not at all," said Tom. "Why, I was sixteen miles further down the river the other day, and saw four men carrying a big pine log from on board a schooner to the shore. The chills came on, and they shook the log, which was thirty feet long, all up in pieces of the proper length for fire-wood, and then taking a respite of it, split and piled it up, at the same time shaking all the knots out of it!"

"Can't believe anything like that Tom."

"It's a fact," said Tom, and he resumed—"There's a farmer down there who, in an apple-picking season, banks his niggers out to the orchard, and sets one up against each tree. In a short time the chill comes on, and every apple in the orchard is shaken off the trees onto the ground."

"Incredible," said we, holding our sides with both hands. "Fact," said Tom. "They keep a man alongside of each negro to take him away as soon as the fruit is off, for fear that he will shake the tree down!"

Tom continued: "Mr. S., a friend of mine, and a house carpenter, was engaged a few days ago in covering the roof of a house with shingles. Just as he was finishing the chill came on, and he shook every shingle off the roof. Some of them are supposed to be flying about yet!"

We then prevailed upon Tom to desist, who did so with the understanding that he was to give us the balance at some other time. Persons who think of emigrating to Anne Arundel county will please take notice.

To Drive Rats Away Without Poison.

We know of three methods: First, the old French plan; this is followed chiefly in Paris by men who make it a special business. They take a deep tub with water on the bottom, and a little elevation in the middle like an island, on which is only a place for just one rat to sit. The top is covered and has a large balanced valve, opening downward; on the middle of this valve a piece of fried pork or cheese is fixed, and when a rat walks on it to get the cheese, the valve goes down, drops the rat in the water, and moves back in position. A road is made from a rat-hole to the top of the tub, by means of a piece of board rubbed with cheese, so as to make the walk attractive for the rats. In the course of a single night some ten, twenty, or even more rats may go down, and if the island was not there they would be found most all alive in the morning quietly swimming round; but the provision of the little island saves the trouble of killing them, because their egotistic instinct of self-preservation causes them to fight for the exclusive possession of the island, on which in the morning the strongest rat is found in solitary possession; all the others being killed and drowned around him.

Second, the New York plan, invented by one of our friends. The floor near the rat-hole is covered with a thin layer of moist caustic potash. When the rats walk on this it makes their feet sore; these they lick with their tongues, which make their mouths sore; and the result is that they shun this locality, not alone, but appear to tell all the rats in the neighborhood about it, and eventually the house is entirely abandoned by them—notwithstanding the ignominious manner by which they are treated. Third, the Dutch method; this is said to be most successful in Holland; we have however, never tried it. A number of rats

est, and that the lessee was accustomed to empty it two or three times a week. The officers also learned that several months ago O. D. Lee mailed a large number of letters to various parts of the country, and in a little while numerous letters addressed to Dennis & Co., began to arrive, and were taken by Mr. Lee, who afterward mailed books to many persons. Further investigation showed that Mr. Lee was really laboring as an agent of the Bible Society, although the society would perhaps object to his method of advertising the New Testament, which he forwarded to the numerous correspondents of "Dennis & Co.," in acknowledgment of "55 cent," which each letter undoubtedly contained.

Of course no recipient of one of these Testaments could help acknowledging that "every back," or "any other man," "should read it before retiring to his couch," but still it is likely that other feelings than those of devotion must have greeted the discovery of the character of the books, and the sight of the Maloons holding the infant Jesus would scarcely have added to his devotion when he sought for a "rich and peculiarly interesting picture, executed in the highest style of French art."

As Mr. Lee received many letters, the Testaments delivered for the 85 cents did not cost more than 15 cents, he probably made a large sum out of his speculation. At the solicitation of the police, he promised to give up the business. This Yankee trick throws the wooden lewis and nutmeg of Connecticut quite into the shade.

Some Shaking.

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are left together to themselves in a very large trap or cage, with no food whatever; their craving hunger will, at last, cause them to fight and the weakest will be eaten by the others; after a short time the fight is renewed, and the next weakest is the victim, and so it goes on till one strong rat is left. When this one has eaten the last remains of any of the others, it is set loose; the animal has now acquired such a taste for rat-flesh, that he is the terror of rats, going round seeking what rat he may devour. In an incredible short time the premises are abandoned by all others, which will not come back, before the emulated rat has left or has died.

A match to Dickens's Fat Boy.

The Louisville Ledger, of a late issue, contains the following strange case: About the middle of January a German named Jacob Wilhartz hired a house and opened a general furnishing store on Fourteenth street, near Portland avenue. His stock of goods was well selected, and Wilhartz had the appearance of an industrious and respectable gentleman. It was soon noticed, however, that his store was frequently closed up for several days together, and during these intervals, Wilhartz was never seen. Then he would suddenly make his appearance, open the store, and attend to business for a few days. His singular conduct attracted attention, and soon became a subject of comment in the neighborhood, and suspicious grew up that something was wrong about the man.

Olliver Slater, of the Fourteenth Street Depot, heard of the case, and went to work with his usual vigor to investigate it. His investigations elicited the following facts: Wilhartz is subject to remarkable periods of somnolence. His landlord stated that at one time his house had been closed for sixteen days, during all which time Wilhartz had not left his house or bed. The landlord called several times for his rent but found the house closed, the windows and doors securely bolted, and was unable to gain admission. Finally, by peering upon the doors and windows, and making a great noise, he succeeded in arousing the occupant, who lives entirely alone. Wilhartz came to the door muffled up in a long strip of carpet, and presented a most sleepy and bewildered appearance. He paid his rent, and again retired to bed, where he had been for nearly a week before being aroused.

Olliver Slater states that during these intervals of somnolence he has carefully watched the house of Wilhartz, and is certain he never left the room in which he sleeps. He has now been asleep nearly five days, and at the hour at which this is written he still slumbers as profoundly as if he had only been in bed a few hours. During these spells of somnolence the sleeping man, of course, partakes of no nourishment; and how his life is preserved during such long periods of fasting is a mystery, and the most remarkable feature in this truly remarkable case. He is said to be in excellent health, and rather improves physically during his long naps.

A Man with a Harry Tongue.

A reporter of the Cincinnati Enquirer has discovered a negro with a bizarre tongue, at Covington, whom he thus describes: "On opening his mouth he protruded a long tongue, on which half an inch long was growing thickly. The color was a sandy red, and as the hair sloped backward, it gave him pain while speaking. At the root of each hair the flesh was blue. He has no hair on his face, though he says he is fully forty years old. His wool is like that of any other turkey—black and kinky. He is perfect in every limb and feature, except his tongue; and what is also remarkable, he has grey eyes. On questioning him, he gave the following facts: He was born in Xenia, Ohio, of a white woman, his father being black. On the breaking out of the war, he entered a colored regiment as corporal, and was wounded at Petersburg, and at the end of the year returned to Ohio, from whence he came to Covington about a year ago. He has none of the idioms of the negro, except a certain thickness of speech, caused by the growth of hair on his tongue, his pronunciation is perfect. He is employed by Blik & Phillips as a coal heaver, and any one wishing to do so can see him and his tongue. He has no hesitation in making faces for those who call on him. Very few persons in Covington know of this free show."

Horace Greely says: "Show me a drunkard that don't use tobacco, and I'll show you a white black-bird."

New To-Day.

To the Citizens of Brownsville and Vicinity.

THE UNDERSIGNED WOULD ANNOUNCE that they are INDEPENDENT CANDIDATES for the purchase of all the WOOL they can get, for which they will pay the Highest Market Price in Cash or Goods. Also, they have a full stock of GENERAL MERCHANDISE on hand, which they offer at lowest rates for CASH or PRODUCE.

KIRK, BURN & CO. P. S. Call on us before closing for your wool. Brownsville, March 25, 72-9m3

Notice. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the co-partnership heretofore existing between W. J. Hiltabridel and David Andrews, is this day dissolved by mutual consent, W. J. Hiltabridel paying all debts and receiving all money due said firm.

W. J. HILTABRIDEL. DAVID ANDREWS. Albany, March 25, 1872

New Barber Shop.

NOTE THIS: HALE BACKENSTO has opened a new Barber shop on First street, three doors west of Conner's Bank, where he will be glad to receive all gentlemen needing his services. Shaving, hair-cutting, hair-dressing, etc., done in the most satisfactory manner. Albany, February 24, 1872

MISCELLANEOUS.

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Advances made on Grain, Wool, and other approved merchandise consigned for sale here, or for shipment to Portland or San Francisco.

GRAIN and WOOL Taken in store, or purchased at the highest market price.

WOOL! WOOL! WOOL! WANTED! 500,000 pounds of Wool!

For which we will make liberal advances, and pay the highest market price in cash.

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Upholstery Goods, First St., 3 doors below Conner's Bank, ALBANY, OREGON, Keeps constantly on hand for sale Black Walnut Parlor and Chamber Sets, Painted Chamber Sets, Dining room and Kitchen Furniture of all kinds;

SOFAS, LUNGERS, SPRING MATTRESSES, PULL & EUREKA BEDS, ROCKING CHAIRS, BEDSTEADS, TABLES, STANES, BUREAUS, WHATNOTS, BRACKETS, BOOK CASES, SECRETARIES, DESKS, ETC.

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Goods delivered to any part of the city. All our work warranted. Give us a Call and Examine our Stock.

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Mountain Balm. TO THE AFFLICTED WITH COUGHS, Colds, or Liver Complaint, the BALM is invaluable, as many have been cured by its purifying effects on the system. It is recommended by the Surgeons of the Army, and is used by all Druggists.

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Every Man his own Physician. CAUTION. THIS IMPROVED PREPARATION OF HOLLOWAY'S PILLS AND OINTMENT has tempted unprincipled parties to counterfeit these valuable medicines.

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DRY GOODS.

MIND-YOUR STOPS.—Among the replies to advertisement of a music committee for "an emulative or original music teacher," &c., a vacancy having occurred by the original's resignation, was the following: "Gentlemen,—I noticed your advertisement for original, and music teacher, either lady or gentleman. Having been both for several years, I offer you my services.

NEW TO-DAY. FURS! FURS! FURS! THE HIGHEST PRICES PAID IN CASH for all kinds of FURS. BLAIN, YOUNG & CO., Albany, Feb. 9, 72-21

Attention. ALL PERSONS KNOWING themselves indebted to the undersigned are requested to call on me to pay their account without delay. MISS BRIDGEFARMER, Albany, March 7, 1872-27

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