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ROOSEVELT ON BEER.

Theodore Roosevelt, the young member of the civil service commission, was in Milwaukee and has gone again. When the commission went to Schlitz's park Mr. Roosevelt declined to go into the theatre, saying that he would give more for five minutes under the trees than a whole evening of grand opera. So they sat down and talked of literature while drinking lager beer.

"Do you know," said Mr. Roosevelt, holding up his glass and looking through the amber hued liquid, "that there is not a thought in a hogshead of beer; that there is not an idea in a whole brewery? I mean," continued the New York politiciad, "that nothing of merit was ever written under the inspiration of lager beer. Ii stupefies without invigorating, and its effect upon the brain is to stagnate thought. Do not imagine that I am a temperance orator. I am a temperance orator. I am simply comparing stimulants. Some of the brightest of literary efforts have been made while under the influence of spirituous liquor taken by the poor, overwerked author to avoid a complete physical and mental collapse. I shall wait to see if and man can write anything who has a drop of beer in his system."—Milwaukee Sentinel.

FEARFULLY AND WONDERFULLY MADE.

An old preacher, after service on Sunday, announced his reading for the following Sunday. During the week some mischievous boys obtained his Bible and pasted two of the leaves together, right where he was to read. Sunday morning the aged divine opened his book and read as follows: "And Noah took unto himself a wife who was"—and here he turned the leaf—"forty cubits broad, one hundred and forty cubits long." With a look of astonishment he wiped his glasses, re-read and verified the passage and then said "My friends, alshough I have read the Bible many times, this is the first time I have ever seen this passage, but I take it as another evidence of the fact that man is most wonderfully and fearfully made."—N. Y. Mercury.

THE NAVY YARD.

It is understood that the selection of the site on Puget sound for a navy yard has been indorsed by the secretary of the navy. The yard which is to be established is to meet half way the improvements in Great Britain's navy yard at Esquimalt, and will be the largest and finest in the country. It will be equipped with the fullest plant for ship-building and repairing, and will, it is said, include extensive furnaces and forges for steel and iron works, and it is a matter of general congratulation that a navy yard is to be established somewhere on this northwest coast as it will be of mutual aid and benefit.

The Rev. Edward Everett Hale asks the legislature of Massachusetts to grant the right to pension school teachers who have served fifty consecutive years. Were this done, the list of pensioners would not be a very long one. In the west there are comparatively few teachers of great age. The men usually grow weary of their calling and seek other employments and the ladies are retired on marriage certificates.—Com. Gazette.

A placard placed on a window of a shoemaker's shop near Cripplegate, London, many years ago, is said to have read as follows: "Surgery performed on aged Boots and Shoes broken Legs sett and bound upright disordered feet repaired. the wounded heeled. The whole Constitution mended and the body supported by a new Sole. By T. T."

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A gentleman in Craig county named Brickey has three children whose names are, respectively, Jailey Green Bird Mayflower Brickey, Oregon Texas Georgianna Brickey, and Molina Truxilla Eutaw Sebilla Teotater Brickey. Our informant, P. B. Abbott, assures us that theso are the names of the children as recorded in the family Bible, and that there is no joke about it. But the longest name yet announced is also borne by a Craig county man, John William Benjamin Leander Sinclair Calvin Philip Virgil Cicero Lee. On this we challenge competition.—Times Register.

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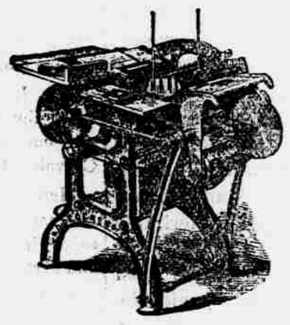

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