

RONDEAU.

[Samuel Minturn Peck.]

She tossed to me a kiss! 'Twas night, Yet every brooding care took flight...

Thought fate my sweetest hope may blight To crown with bliss a rival knight...

Should fortune guide my lance aright That I may win her in the fight...

RINGS FOR BRIDES.

The Style Most Preferred Nowadays -- A Case of Economy.

"Are wedding rings expensive? Well, no; they vary in price, but the dearest of them would break a comparatively poor man...

"Some men aren't overburdened with sentiment. Why, a man bought a ring in September last, haggled over the price, and chose one at \$7...

Her Sweet Revenge.

As the car stopped at the Opera house crossing, several men got in. A lady was seated at the front end. She had on a light wrap, bonnet which covered only four inches of her head...

"Hanged if I ain't frozen," said one of the men in a big beaver overcoat and fur-lined overshoes.

"Never felt the cold so in my life," added another whose clothing must have weighed thirty pounds.

There were two other men, each having a heavy overcoat, muffler, overshoes and warm gloves, and yet they stamped their feet and blew on their fingers...

A Tramp's Philosophy.

Tramp life, as actually enjoyed by a man who was once a business man in New York, was described to a Rocky Mountain News reporter.

The Curse of Poverty.

Oh, cursed poverty! I know thee to be of Satan, for I myself have eaten at thy scanty table, and slept in thy cold bed...

Never Did.

A writer, probably of the seakskin saquee gender and unmarried, asks: "Did you ever watch dear little baby waking in the morning?"

HOW CIGAR BOXES ARE MADE.

Sawing the Wood--How the Nailing is Done--The Lumber Used.

The reporter climbed up five flights of stairs in one of the largest blocks in the manufacturing district of the city where the largest cigar box factory is located.

Then the pieces go to the nailer, who uses a machine for his work. The nailing machines are somewhat similar in appearance to typesetting machines, and require but little experience to be quite dexterously handled.

The lumber used in the manufacture of cigar-boxes is, with few exceptions, either bass-wood or red cedar. Bass-wood grows in almost unlimited quantities in Michigan, Minnesota and the northern part of Wisconsin.

Actors and Riches.

Your great fellow-citizen, Forrest, died rich, and, by the way, the Forrest home, which he so thoughtfully provided and generously endowed, would be a good subject for inside treatment...

As Important as Some Others.

A new society was discovered by a Williamsburg policeman yesterday. On one of the dumps at the Wallabout basin he noticed an excavation.

A Sound Social Maxim.

People who persist in stealing hogs should be turned out of meeting and excluded from good society.

Rev. E. L. Magoon.

It is not the number of books one reads that counts, it is their quality. A whole acre of book-shelves might contain less good than one or two volumes in a gripsack.

Shakespeare and the Modern Manager.

[Croft's Letter.] Judge Barrett, author of "An American Wife," recently produced at Wallack's, led off with a half-hour's speech, very compact and artistic, in which he set forth that the main reason why the American drama languishes is that our people are too busy to become cultured experts in art.

Cardinal McCabe writes to the Dublin branch of the Peace Society that he has no hopes of its aims. Six warehouses in so-called Moscow, Russia, were destroyed by fire recently. The loss is enormous.

A violent earthquake occurred at Bittles, Asiatic Turkey, recently. A number of buildings were destroyed. A serious riot has broken out in Crete. The Porte has sent a large force of troops to suppress the disturbance.

Matthew Arnold will soon publish impressions of America, along with lectures he delivered while in the United States. Louis Billot, Cardinal Bishop of Sabina, died recently in the 83rd year of his age. He was the confidential friend of Leo XIII.

Beads and Their Manufacture.

The use of beads is again becoming fashionable, and there is likely to be as great a rage for that sort of ornament as there was twelve or fifteen years ago.

There were 33,000 deaths from diphtheria in the province of Kharkof, in the southern part of European Russia, between the years 1878 and 1882.

Growing Power of the Australian Dominion.

Mr. J. Heniker Heaton forwards from Sydney a complete account of the resources of which an Australian dominion would dispose. The seven colonies now own 3,000,000 square miles of territory, or three times the surface of Europe west of the Vistula, inhabited by 2,936,000 persons of European descent.

English Toadyism.

I hear from Florence that the English in that city are making fools of themselves amid the duke and duchess of Teck, by insisting upon carrying out all the strictest laws of court etiquette wherever the Teckian highnesses go.

FOREIGN TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

Paris has a branch of the Gospel Army, Hunt, United States Minister to Russia, is quite ill.

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During the races at the Montreal driving park recently a pool box containing \$1,500 was stolen. It is believed by Americans. A man and woman, while sleigh riding upon the Allegheny river, were struck by an ice gorge and drowned.

A number of leading citizens are considering the project of having an operatic festival in Chicago in 1885. Major Cadfield is in Washington with a bill to promote the construction of a railroad from Seattle to Whatcom.

Eastern Telegraphic News.

Congress is investigating the Danville riots. Sleet has damaged the wheat crop in Ohio.

William E. Finch, postmaster of Ellendale, D. T., has been arrested and charged with robbing the mail of registered letters. The citizens' relief committee of Charleston, W. Va., passed resolutions to stop soliciting aid for the flood sufferers for the present.

Portland Market Report.

BUTTER--Fancy, fresh roll, 1/2 lb., 25c; inferior, grade, 20c; 25c; pickled, 25c; 30c. CHEESE--California, 17c; Oregon large, choice, 19c; small, none.

Wheat, etc., 1882, 1881. Flour, bbls., 2.85, 2.88, 2.90, 2.92. Oats, etc., 2.00, 2.05, 2.10, 2.15. Potatoes, etc., 1.00, 1.05, 1.10, 1.15.

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