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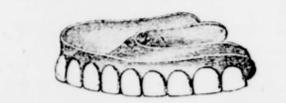
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GENERAL NOTES AND NEWS.

Blaine says that Buchanan was a bachelor, and that Hayes is a Benedict-Arnold to the Radical party.

The Missouri Senate has passed a bill offering \$10,000 reward for the discovery of a sure cure for hog-cholera.

The Corvallis Gazette advocates a new State Constitution which will permit counties to aid in building works of public necessity.

They have a good way of managing ferocious school directors at Wheatland, Washington county. The girls tied him with ropes and flogged him.

Every President of the United States, from Washington to the present occupant of the Presidential chair, has been a member of the Masonic order.

Secretary Schurz talks to the army of applicants for office in three languages, English, German and French, and still he fails to make them happy.

It is reported that 60,000 Philadelphia families have broken up homekeeping since Jan. 1st and started to the country making Centennial calls. Revenge is sweet.

J. Tyler, Jr., is writing letters in behalf of the revolution of the Whig party. As his father killed that party, his attempt to resurrect it would seem to be a rather unflattering deed.

One of the most noticeable of recent occurrences is the purchase of ten thousand American plows by the Russian Government, for distribution among the farmers of Russia.

A statement is current in the newspapers, and by no means an improbable one, that Henry Ward Beecher's lecture profits in the West this season have reached the great sum of \$15,000.

The Greenback candidate for Governor of Rhode Island received 37 votes at the recent election. A Boston paper thinks this is an excellent beginning to compute percentages of gain from hereafter.

Statistics show that there is a great increase of insanity among the colored people of the South. The increase is so rapid in Virginia amongst that class, that it is already fast becoming a problem of great magnitude.

Mr. Schurz told Zack Chandler that he hoped he should go out of office with as good a reputation as did the great Michigan. He will have to cut up an extraordinary amount of devilry to carry out a worse one.

Senator Patterson, of South Carolina, is mad. He bitterly denounces the Administration for its course in South Carolina. His occupation down there will now be gone. Mr. Hayes seems to be the man who struck Mr. Patterson this time.

Secretary of State, Wm. M. Evarts, has half a dozen unmarried daughters, who will enter Washington society. None of them have beauty, in this taking after their paternal relative, but all are fine witty conversationalists, in this also taking after their papa.

If Mr. Evarts holds the office of Secretary of State four years, then New York will have furnished the Secretary for twenty-four years in unbroken succession, excepting the few years of Buchanan's Administration, and one month when Edwin B. Washburne was Secretary under Grant.

A woman in Polk county who has been married fourteen years has never purchased a paper of pins or needles, or iron collars. When she was married, her thoughtful mother gave her a paper of pins, a package of needles and one dozen collars, and she still has pins, needles and collars on hand.

It is taken for granted by Mr. Tilden, Mr. Hewitt and other leaders of that class, that the Democracy will beyond doubt carry the next Presidential election, and the section that secures the Speakership now will have obtained an important strategical position, at the start, with reference to the National Nominating Conventions.

Uncle Sam has a pretty good-sized farm left. According to the report of the Secretary of the Interior, 6,243,326 acres were disposed of during the last fiscal year, for which the cash receipts were \$6,745,215.85. During the year 21,805,517 acres were surveyed, leaving yet to be surveyed a trifle over 1,132,655,241 acres.

The World says Tweed is said by his friends to be a great sufferer and to be breaking down fast. It is not thought he will survive anything like a long imprisonment, or even that he will live long after released to remain in New York until he can do no further service to the city and State as a witness, and then leave the city forever.

The balance of claims in favor of the United States against Mexico as determined by the mixed commission, in round numbers, is \$4,000,000. This is to be paid in annual installments of \$300,000 each. At the rate of depreciations now on it is likely the balance will grow larger instead of smaller, and after a while the filibustering spirit will demand another slice of Mexican Territory.

The Department of the State at Washington has recently recovered at a cost of \$600 the original journal of Mason and Dixon, the English surveyors who, in 1763-7, laid out the celebrated line of demarcation that bears their name. It was discovered among a quantity of old papers in the Parliament buildings of Nova Scotia, and was given by the Assembly to the clerk of the House who had discovered it.

Oregon is the most westerly State in the Union, being situated between the forty-second and forty-sixth degrees of northern latitude. It is bounded on the East by Idaho, on the West by the Pacific Ocean, on the North by Columbia river, and on the South by California and Nevada.

It extends, on an average, for 550 miles East and West, and for 275 miles North and South, and contains 16,271 square miles, with an area of about 60,000,000 of acres.

PERCHERON STOCK.

Near Ashland, in Jackson county, is the residence and farm (containing 600 acres) of Mr. W. C. Myer, whose name is now so well known throughout the State as being the introducer of the celebrated Percheron horses.

This gentleman has been engaged for the last thirty years in the business of stock raising, and for the last seven he has applied all his energies to the improvement of draft horses in Oregon.

From careful and continuous examination he became convinced that for that purpose, the Percherons were better adapted than the Clydesdale, or any other of the breeds generally used.

He imported several full blooded Percherons, and the results of his experiments have fully satisfied him of the correctness of his opinion.

His beautiful white horses excited general admiration when they appeared at Portland, during Centennial week, and also when exhibited at the last State Fair, held at Salem.

Like P. T. Barnum and Montgomery Queen, his creed is, "have good articles, ADVERTISE FREELY, and pay the printer's bills," so he is now having a pamphlet printed by Mr. E. M. Waite, of Salem, which will contain all the information he has collected, with regard to stock raising. This will be ready for distribution shortly, and will be embellished with engravings of his Percheron horses, copied from photographs. In addition to this he will have prepared, in a short time, a large sheet engraving, which will present the following subject:

1st, White Prince. 2d, Pride of Perche. 3d, Gen. Fleury.

All these are full blooded or thoroughbred Percheron stallions. Turmen claim that the term "thoroughbred" is only applicable to horses of pure Arabian descent, but the term is applied to the before mentioned stallions to signify the purity of their Percheron pedigree.

4th, White Rose, a full-blooded Percheron mare.

5th, An Indian or Cayuse pony with her foal, sired by White Prince. This engraving is intended to show plainly the immense improvement caused in any kind of horse stock by the infusion of Percheron blood.

6th, His barn at Ashland with stables, etc., and a group of stock in the foreground. This barn and stables are built in the best style and are fitted up with all the latest improvements, among which is an elevator to hoist up feed of all kinds; this runs on a railroad track or runway inside the barn, and is the only one of the kind in Oregon. The engraving containing all these illustrations will be finished in the highest style of art, almost equal to line engraving. It will be executed on the best quality of paper and will form a useful ornament to the walls of any department. It is Mr. Myer's intention to distribute this also GRATUITOUSLY.

To any persons who will engage to frame it in a suitable manner. White Prince and Gen. Fleury are now standing at Salem and Albany alternately, and Pride of Perche is at Ashland.

Mr. Myer intends to be present at the next State Fair in Salem with several of his full-blooded Percherons and also with a number of Alderney or Jersey cattle, which he has imported at considerable expense and which he selected himself when he visited the Atlantic States in 1872. He states that the Alderney or Jersey cows are noted in Europe and the East as being the best adapted for dairy purposes, as they give unusually great quantities of rich, cream-producing milk and that a marked improvement will result by breeding with Alderney bulls to the common cows of Oregon.

BOGUS MONEY ROLLS.—Ever since the discovery of the counterfeiters in Southern Oregon, complaints have been made of the bogus half dollars which are done up at intervals in the twenty-dollar rolls. A worse "trick on travelers" than this, however, is the wrapping of lead pipe in paper the length of a twenty-dollar roll and passing it as the genuine article. We have it from indisputable authority that this practice is now being carried on in Portland, and that lead pipe rolls, representing \$100, were recently passed on one of our citizens. The case is being inquired into and the guilty ones will probably be brought to justice. Till then, however, it will be just as well as not for our citizens to examine all their rolls—newspapers especially, as bankruptcy might result from receiving one of them. The Portland tricksters are said to be more greedy than their confederates in San Francisco who some time ago played the same game by putting a half dollar at each end of the lead, for they do not put any money in at all, leaving nothing but the bare pipe in the paper.—Standard.

TIGHT, TIGHTER, TIGHTEST.—The "eel-skin" dress is now the great rage both in London and Paris. In the wildest days of the tie-back or pin-back mania there never was seen such a tightness in the matter of shirt as now prevails. Whatever the paucity of folds in the pinback in its former part, in the enormous exuberance of the panner or bustle the balance was struck. But now, not only is the bustle a thing of horror, but even the necessary underclothing is considered de trop. To lengthen the waist far beyond its natural proportions, a stiff webbing of elastic is fastened to the stays to the depth of half a foot, and to this, at first, narrow skirts are buttoned. But even this is now abandoned for another scheme to acquire slenderness. Mrs. Swishelm's much ridiculed chemise is in demand, and garments made in this way are sold at the various furnishing shops and patterns of it pass eagerly from hand to hand among lady friends. Some ladies have had regular stage tights made in thick webbing, and over these they wear nothing but the outer dress, underskirts being simulated by pleated ruffles of white muslin, sewn to the edge of the dress, which is then tied back till the woman within is shackled almost like a convict in a chain-gang. No more uncomfortable fashion ever was devised, for not only are the limbs confined by the binding dress, but the wearer must constantly concern herself about the condition of the bodice, that portion being in incessant danger of turning itself up behind, wrong side out, like an umbrella in a windstorm. The desired effect of youthful slenderness is generally obtained by the "eel-skin," but at a good deal of sacrifice of personal ease.—From a Paris Letter.

CURIOUS CROPS IN GERMANY.—A correspondent writing from Nuremberg says forest trees are so extensively raised in Germany that they are one of the most common crops in that country. The trees are planted in rows as straight as those of a cornfield. He says: "There is scarcely any wood at all in Germany but what is thus cultivated. The land is in many places so poor that it cannot be tilled every year; so that by taking a number of years to raise a crop of trees the occupants effect the double purpose of supplying themselves with wood and of getting at the end of time, fallow ground again. One can see pine tree fields of all ages, some of little trees of one or two years growth, and others with large ones ready for the ax." The farmers of Northern Bavaria go extensively into fish raising, collecting the water from marshy places and drained land into fish ponds. Many farmers in this way realize as much from their water as their land crop. Those of our farmers who are troubled with an excess of water might turn it to account by taking from their German brethren.

KEEP YOUR AGREEMENTS.—One reason why many people do not get along in the world is because they cannot be depended upon. They do not keep their agreements. When they are weighed in the balance of actual affairs they are too often found wanting. They are seldom on time. The workman who is always on hand at the appointed time and place, and does his work according to agreement, is sure to get along. To a young mechanic, starting in life, the habit of punctuality is worth more than a thousand dollars cash capital—although a thousand dollars is not apt to be despised. The trustworthiness of the faithful workman produces money, but the untrustworthiness of the unfaithful one causes him to lose money. This is an everlasting principle. He who would be permanently prosperous must keep his engagements.

THE Government began the issuing of postal cards with some misgivings, but the result of what was looked upon by some as an experiment has been most satisfactory. Beginning in 1873 with 100,000,000 cards, the issue has increased year by year at the rate of about 1,500,000 until now, when it is estimated that 180,000,000 will be needed for the year beginning July 1st next. The instances of abuse in the use of cards have been comparatively few, and in cases of this kind the infliction of the legal penalties has had a salutary effect upon persons who were disposed to make them the vehicles of scurrility and defamation.—Washington Star.

A MARVELOUS overdress, made for the Empress Eugenie, is now on exhibition at A. T. Stewart & Co.'s, N. Y. It is a combination point gauze, point d'Alencon and Venise point, held together by the finest conceivable net; it measures five and a half yards in length, the depth in front is one and a half yards, tapering to but one yard at the back. Its actual cost, it is said, was \$22,000 in gold, its present valuation being \$100,000.

The Virginia Chronicle thus puts up a local about a fallen and a risen mule: Yesterday afternoon a mule that was pulling a drag along B street slipped down, falling in a manner that his owner saw at a glance that he could only be got to his feet with great care and labor. Immediately a crowd collected and began to give advice.

"Cut the harness."

"Hold down his head."

"Pull out the shafts."

"Loosen the check rein."

"Push his hind leg over."

"Unbuckle the belly-strap."

"Turn him over."

"Lift him out."

"Look-a-here, fellows," remarked the driver, "chin music can't get up a mule. If you take so blamed much interest in the case, s'pose you get down and help a little."

The crowd rushed to the work at once. Major Lancon got hold of his head, Long Brown sat on his flank, and Jack Magee got hold of his forehead. A number of other prominent citizens got round the edge of the animal and took hold.

"Now, boys, we'll lift him up; so heave to!" and they made a mighty effort to put him on his pins. The mule rose like an un-surrection of blacks in Louisiana, and when he let his hind leg out it put Long Brown slap up against the back steps of the International Hotel. Then it tried to turn a hand-spring, and the fore-hoof found a hiding place in the diaphragm of Magee and his gulp of dissatisfaction made the boys along the street laugh with delight.

The great aim of the parties who had the mule was now to hold him down. He was changed from a passive to an aggressive mule in a twinkling. Like the sea in a calm, it was placid and dormant, but the breath of the tempest made it aggressive and all-devouring. The sweep of its hind leg commanded the respect of all who saw it. The strokes of its hoof fell on the cart like the shock of the ocean's billows upon the rocks. The cart began to succumb and dissolve into kindling-wood and toothpicks. The harness began to fly and one after another the fragments went kiting. There was good stock in that mule, but the stockholders began to drop at Chariot. The mule flung off its parasites, and, raising with a snort, shot for the hills.

"I know'd all de time dat you couldn't hold dat mule," remarked a Jamaica negro to the crowd, which slowly dispersed, leaving the owner to gather up the fragments of his cart and harness.

SEVEN GOOD MAXIMS.—Have the courage to do without that which you do not need, however much your eyes covet it.

Have the courage to acknowledge your ignorance, rather than seek credit for knowledge under false pretences.

Have the courage to provide entertainment for your friends within your means—not beyond.

To gain extensive usefulness—Seize the present opportunity, great or small, and improve it to the utmost.

To govern children (and men too)—Commend them oftener than you blame them.

To be always contented—Consider that you will never in this life be free from annoyances, and that you may as well bear them patiently as fret about them.

To enjoy all that this world has to give—Set not your heart upon it, but make God your portion.

WEALTH NOT OMNIPOTENT.—Wealth is potent in its own sphere, but impotent beyond it. It can put a telegraph under the sea and cover the land with a network of wires as with a spider's web. It can build railroads and bridge oceans. It can buy houses and lands and every material advantage; but here its power stops. It cannot purchase goodness, or justice, or gentleness, or patience, or love, or true friendship. It cannot make character stronger or life sweeter. It can say to the minister, I will feed you and clothe you while you are making men better, and to the teacher, I will take care of you while you are making men wiser, but it can do nothing without the brain of wisdom or the heart of goodness. It can build railroads, but it cannot build men.

SCANDAL.—What "they" say is beneath your notice. What's the use of lying awake of nights with the unkind remarks of some false friend running through your brain like forked lightning? What's the use of getting into a worry and fret over gossip that has been set afloat to your disadvantage by some meddlesome busybody who has more time than character? These things can't possibly injure you, unless, indeed, you take notice of them, and in combating them give them character and standing. If what is said about you is true, set yourself right at once; if it is false, let it go for what it will, until it dies of indifference and weakness.