

CURRENT DRIFT.

Keely's motor is now known as "the tramp," because it won't work.

Another urgent reason why Guiteau should be hanged is his threat to lecture if he is acquitted.—Pioneer Press.

The new style bonnets may be photographed by slamming a ripe tomato against a board fence.—Hebron Journal.

A party who has been unfortunate in stocks says he believes if he should buy a balloon it would not go up.—Boston Commercial Bulletin.

Whatever you have to do, do it with your might. Many a lawyer has made his fortune by simply working with a will.—Yonkers Statesman.

Consolation.—"My Love is Gone," is the title of the latest song written by a young man in Boston. Of course this is rough, but "the absent girl eats no oysters."

The planet Saturn is now in opposition to the sun. But the sun will probably survive, in spite of the opposition of Saturn and all his rings.—Lowell Courier.

Mr. Strauss, of Cincinnati, recently rescued two friends who fell in the water, thus proving the truth of the old saying, "Drowning men catch at Strauss."—Philadelphia News.

A drinking man was told by his physician to hold his breath while he counted his pulse, but he couldn't do it. His breath was too strong for him.—Cincinnati Saturday Night.

A Springfield dairyman furnished butter to a circus company recently, and wanted to get in on the strength of it. The ticket agent examined the butter and granted the request.

When two men in Leadville have a dispute, they hire two lawyers to go into court and keep the attention of the officers of the law while the principals go back of a barn and fight it out.

The minister had preached an hour, when he remarked: "Another wide field opens from the subject in another direction." Just then an old colored saint ejaculated: "Please, Lord, shut up de bars."

A Cincinnati man disappeared, and seven detectives couldn't find him in nine weeks. But shrewd politicians got the Mayor to appoint the man to office, and two hours later he came in on the run to be sworn in.

The financial failures in the United States amount to about \$1,000,000 per week. However it may be in the bright lexicon of youth, in the big books of the commercial agencies there certainly is such a word as "fail."

A sarcastic Georgia editor, in noticing a fair which recently came off in Macon, says: "One of our contemporaries took a very valuable premium, but a meddlesome and firm policeman made him put it right back where he took it from."

A nurse was telling about a man who had become so terribly worn out by dissipation that he could not keep any food on his stomach, when one of her listeners asked, "What does he live on, then?" "On his relations, ma'am," answered the nurse.

A young lady at Mills Seminary, who recently sent us a poem entitled "Murmurs from the Outer Utterances," is informed that any pecuniary assistance she can send to the widow of the man to whom we gave it to read, will be gratefully received by that lady.—San Francisco Post.

We can't help entertaining a severe respect for that science which can instantaneously photograph a flying horse, but forces a man to sit for four eternal minutes in front of a camera, his head braced into a pitchfork, and his nerveless eyes staring hopelessly into the fathomless realms of the undefinable.—Rockland Courier.

A Poser.—A Sunday school teacher, recently expounding to his class the third chapter of Genesis, came to the curse on the serpent, "Upon thy belly shalt thou go all the days of thy life," when a sharp-eyed youngster, quietly looking up, asked: "What did the serpent walk upon afore, sir?" The reply of the teacher is not recorded.

A prudent young man is asked by his friend: "Why have you taken lodgings on the ground floor—you who are always preaching that there is no air fit to be breathed to be had short of five stories up?" "I will tell you," he replies. "You see, I have taken a solemn oath that unless Miss C. agrees to marry me, I will throw myself out of the window. See?"

A Society Item.—"Mary, bring Mrs. Smith a glass of wine. (Exit Mary.) You must be so tired after your walk. (Mary brings it.) Not that way, my child. You should always bring it on a plate or a salver. (Exit Mary.) She is very willing, but really she knows so little." Mary, reëntering with wine in a soup-plate: "Shall I bring a spoon, ma'am, or will the lady lap it up?"—Paris Figaro.

Practical Arithmetic.—"You can't add different things together," said an Austin (Texas) school teacher. "If you add a sheep and a cow together it does not make two sheep nor two cows." A little boy, the son of an Austin avenue milk-man, held up his hand and said: "That may do with sheep and cows, but if you add a quart of milk to a quart of water, it makes two quarts of milk. I've seen it tried."

A son of the late Rev. Dr. Nehemiah Adams, of Boston, a highly orthodox divine, has become a speaker and writer against Christianity. On the other hand, it is said that one of Colonel Ingersoll's daughters is a convert to Presbyterianism.

Senator Hill, of Georgia, now speaks with a perceptible lisp, but his physicians assure him that it will wear off, and that the cancer on his tongue may be considered cured.

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