

#### NOT KNOWN BY NAME.

In Grant town's colored waiter who threw a coffee-pot at the head of John L. Sullivan to soon to appear in a tableaux as "Ajax defying the lightning."

A WASHINGTON SWELL has a \$5,000 brown poodle that was formerly the property of the king of Wurttemberg. The dog feels his position keenly.

A colored woman who kidnapped a child from its parents at San Diego, Cal., was arrested and explained her action on the ground that she heard that the child was being ill-treated.

A SISTER of Leeds, N. Y., is a typical kleptomaniac. He was taking dinner with one of his parishioners lately and was in the act of saying grace, when he pocketed a silver spoon from the table.

A colored woman living near the Blue river, Indian territory, is reported to have given birth to four children, all of whom are doing well. The combined weight of the children is twenty-seven pounds.

A young man in Hamilton, Mo., has made three attempts within a week, while on the street, to break away from a sweethearts for whom his love has grown trepid, and in the sprinting matches she has run him down each time.

In Warrensburg, Mo., lives a lighting electrician who has done, in three hours, work that would have taken six ordinary masons six days. He can ate, at any period of the day or night, give the exact meridian time in hours, minutes and seconds, though he cannot tell time by looking at a watch or clock.

#### AT THE CAPITAL.

Prominent Harness is fond of a game of billiards and uses a heavy cue which he plays.

Charles Foster, the new secretary of the treasury, is a milliner and a stockholder in the Standard Oil Co. He made his start as a dry goods merchant.

This champion billiard player of the senate is Senator Webber, although Senator Blackburn is a close second. Vance, Butterfield and even Edmunds are mere novices.

While Rev. Phillips Brooks, of Boston, was recently in Washington he was given the privileges of the floor in the Senate an honor rarely accorded even distinguished visitors.

Tom Hedges sent in the senate will be appointed by Senator Daniel of Virginia. Hedges won the attention of the committee and was assigned for twelve years by Senator Wade Hampton.

At the election, in fact, there have been more changes in the present house of representatives than there has been since 1845. The new house has been elected, and the members of the previous house of representatives have been assigned and none have remained.

A sympathetic photo-engraver who has been visiting our cities prints portraits of the most prominent men in the country. His portrait of Mr. Hayes is the best ever taken of him.

**WITNESS, JUDGE AND JURY.**

A MINNESOTA JEW was locked up a whole week before they could determine whether or not two men set fire to a hay-truck.

A witness in a contested will case at Philadelphie said the testator was not a hard drinker, as "the only touch twenty-five or thirty drinks a day."

An American traveler in Holland who had a hand-winter a quarter was promptly arrested and fined 60 dollars for the offense. The court held that he used much influence to escape more severe punishment than that inflicted.

In a murder case in Smith county, Texas, recently a verdict was set aside on the exception that one of the most important witnesses was an atheist. The legislature proposes to repeal the law requiring that class from giving testimony.

An innocent lawsuit in New York city one of the principals admitted that he had lied to his lawyer, the court, and the jury, and declared that he had been a liar all his days. He said he would rather lie than tell the truth, and that he got through the world all the better for it.

A JURY in a court at Mexico, Mex., brought in such an outrageous verdict that the judge dismissed them in this humiliating fashion: "It is the sentence of this court that the sheriff escort you to the rear door of the courthouse and allow you to depart in your service will not be again required during my term of office."

#### IN THE FAR NORTH.

ALASKA has the largest quartz mill. The geysers of Iceland, which have been among the greatest attractions of the island, are gradually losing their force.

In Alaska, two hundred miles up the Yukon river, the snow never melts, and in some places it is said to be fully two miles deep.

The results of the recent expedition to Greenland prove that north of 70° degrees the land is covered with a sheet of ice 5,000 to 6,000 feet thick over the valleys.

The smallest city in the world is Sevard City, Alaska. Its three inhabitants being respectively mayor, chief man of the board of aldermen and presiding of the common council.

There is very little ebb or flow of tide in the Arctic, but occasionally there are very strong currents. All winter there is a general flow of tide and toward the south, while in summer the flow is northward.

The depopulation of Iceland is going on steadily. The decrease in the value of the land has been very marked of late, whilst the taxes have considerably increased, and the landlords are said to be emigrating in clouds. The population, which was about ten years ago, is now under 60,000.

SOME time ago a woman of Brooklyn, Ind., before selling a few eggs, wrote her name and address on one of them. She has received a letter from a young lady living in Massachusetts, saying she purchased the eggs, and was in the act of making a lemon pudding when she discovered the name and address.

The duchess of Fife's lady-in-waiting, when she is christened, will be known when she is christened, and Alexandra Duff.

#### QUEER CURRENCY.

NORWAY even now uses corn for coin. In India, instead of ten paisas as currency, and in China pieces of silk.

OATS form the circulating medium among the Zulus and Kaffirs.

In the retired districts of New Guinea female slaves form the standard of value.

TIN to-day forms the standard of value at the great fairs of Nishn-Snowy, Russia.

AMONG some of the native Australians green-stone (jade) and red ochre form the currency.

CHEESE is used in the interior of South America for currency, as are coconuts and sugar.

DOES the震震 earthquake?

We regard to the pleasure of the sun's motions. Mr. Briscoe found that in four years from 1860 to 1864, the number of earthquakes over four and half inches deep in the United States at the quarters corresponding to the proportion of six to four. In a number of cases, notably earthquakes of magnitude 5, Briscoe found that the frequency of the first movements of the ground was always greater than the second, and that there were no yet sufficient facts to justify more than a passing allusion to this curious speculation. It does, however, appear to be an inevitable deduction from the evidence not only that earthquakes occur more frequently at the period of new and full moon, but that their frequency increases at the time when the moon is nearest the earth and diminishes when it is most distant; and, moreover, that earthquakes shocks are more frequent when the moon is near the meridian than when she is 90 degrees from it. M. Briscoe, the French scientist, tried to figure out some connection between moon phases and earthquakes as long ago as 1844.—E. HAYES, Agt.

Allow me to say that I am still handle the White Sewing Machine and the Earhart Organ.

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