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Eccenthicties of Great Men.-An article containing a remarkable expose of the "eccentricities of great men" is being extensively published by the newspaper press. It realy contains most important information: For instance, we are told that "Sir Richard Steele would sometimes spend forty guineas on a black peruke;" "Cow per bred rabbits, and made bird cages;" "Dr. Johnson made an especial pet of his cat." Extraordinary cecentricities! Puok has made a new collection of the eccentricities of great men, which be hopes will be apprecia ted:-Dostor Johnson, in addition to making a pot of his cat, would often
stroks a dog. Gray used always stroke a dog. Gray used always to eat poas with a fork, and had an unconquerable dislise to putting his knife in his mouth. The late Duke of Wellington always insisted upon having his coats made to order, and as he der tested ready-made clothing, always Sir Walter Sentt used constantly, on a muddy day, to stop and give a balf penny to a crossing-sweeper. Salva tor hosa wis so found antio dog, Beethoven used to tako a cold bath every morning. We borrowed this last remarkable fact from the list al ready in print. Cowper had a grea objeotion to lending his tooth-brush even to his nearest and dearest babits, and would always insist upo having salt-spoons and a silver knife Shelley was in the babit of whislin softly when in deep thought. The anthor of the remarkable article to which we refer commences it thus:"It is a trite saying, that no man ib aero to his valet; and the greateat mon that history records have bad their little weaknesses, flattering to humanity because prov ny them morCharles II. a mortal, and not a domigod, he relates, that he used to walk in St. James' Park with a troop of spaniels after him and teed the ducks. Onderfal condescension by Our nuthor concludes by saying:-
" We might easily extend our list; we might extend it to the present day, and tell bow Emperor Norton never cleans his boots; bow Doctor Rowell always asks bis patients what their political opinions are betore he prescribes for them; how Judge Pratt never used a comb for his hair, but ar ranges it with his fingers: how Jump the artist, when about to have a tooth drawn, always makes a funny sketch of it first; how Ward, the inventor fits two pertect one over the othys fits two perlect, one over the other; how Torn Maguire goes into convul. sion at the sound of an oath or profane word; we might do this, but we respect the little weaknesses of our neigbbors. Puck has his little eccen. tricitios; he would rather pat a reas pectable dog in the streets than walk arm in arm with a thief; be would rather shake bands with a laborer in a grey shirt than speak to a rogue io broad cloth who makes his living by following the profession of quack doc tor, black-mailer, etc., and moves in the best sooiety. -Puck.
A Teraible Prediction.-Professor Leonidas, an ludianapolis astrologer, after looking at the rings round the sun, makes this horrible prophecy: "I observed by the planets that a dreadful plague will commence in Russia, originating in silks brought over from Egypt, Cairo and Turkey. It will extend acrons the Baltic sea, demolate Germany, cause immence mortality in England, and then spread to the United Statee. This dreadful epidemic will spot the people like leop. ards, and turn the flesh to a purple black. The pestilence will earry off such an amount of mortals tbat there will not be enough laft to bury the dead, or give them obristian burial.

The streets of our cities' towns, and dead and dying. The groans and yells of horror will fill every bresst with consternation. Confusion wil abound on all sides The death knell will cease to toll as the malady rage in fary. Tho infected will falland die wherever they tuke it. The stench of the dead will become so common that the survivers will not heed it."
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