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Nast, Conkling and Curtis. It is to be suspected that some of Tom Nast's wittlest work with his

He wanted to impress upon the lady that Washington life had been too much for him and did so by drawing a capital full length picture of himself nue. What gave the picture point and that the back of his head was where his face ought to be-in other words, Washington had turned his head.

I suppose the politicians still recall Roscoe Conkling's famous allusion to the great cartoonist in his Rochester and, although Mr. Curtis sat listening to him, he described it simply as "the paper made famous by the pencil of Nast."—New York Mail and Express.

Pragedies of the Grand Canyon, Tragic stories are told of men who have lost their lives in the search for precious metals which may lie hidden or uncovered, says Harriet Monroe in The Atlantic. The great primeval flood cut its broad V through all the strata of rock, with all their veins of metallic ore, down to the earliest shapeless mass, leaving in its wake the terraced temples and towers which seem to have been planned by some architect of divinest genius to guard and dark blue border of the same cloth their inaccessible treasures till the end at the hips, constitutes the dress of of time. And the river, rising far to the north among mountains rich in mineral, has been washing for ages the sands away and depositing thus gold and silver and lead in the still crevices of the inaccessible chasm.

Here the earth laughs at her human master and bids him find her wealth If he dare and bear it away if he can. A young Californian who accepted the challenge and set forth upon the turgid water to sift its sands for gold never ore up to the rim on the backs of bardy come.-Donahoe's. burros, as who should prick the mountain with a pin or measure the ocean with a cup.

Got the Correct Time.

man, woman and child in Holt county. scene his strides when Oregon is three miles from the railroad and for many years was not connected with any other town by either telegraph or telephone. One morning Robert Montgomery hailed Foster as the hack started for Forest City and said: "Jake, I wish you would get the cor-

rect time at Forest. My watch stopped last night." "All right, Bob," said Jake. When Jake returned from Forest, he put up his team and walked around to the bank where Montgomery presided. Stalking into the bank, Jake stepped up to the window and laid down a

solled bit of paper bearing the figures "What is that?" asked Montgomery in astonishment. "That," replied Jake, "Is the correct time at Forest."-Omaha World-Her-

Lungs and Long Life,

One of the most remarkable cases of longevity on record was that of an Englishman, born in 1483, whose delicate appearance made all the doctors give him up when he was in the cradle. His chest was so narrow, says the report, that he seemed to have difficulty in breathing. Well, this young moribund, condemned by the doctors to die in short order, died in 1651 at the age of 169. He saw the reign of ten kings.

Secundi Hango, consul of Venice at on the other, and Washburn-he speaks Smyrna, measured only 57 centimeters around the chest, and one of his lungs was diseased. Nevertheless be lived to the age of 115 years. He was married five times and had 49 children. When he was 100 years old, he got his wisdom teeth. When he was 110, his hair turned black again. At 112 his eyebrows and his beard turned black.

Proved His Theory.

The late Hall McAllister some years the Union club, before its amalgamation with the Pacific, and during the evening, a particularly foggy one, made some whimsical remark conveying the idea that fog was an excellent conductor of sound.

The scientist took exception to this novel theory and asked Mr. McAllister on what it was based.

"On phenomena which we have all observed," returned the ready jurist. "On an evening like this we hear the fog horn quite distinctly, but when there is no fog we cannot hear it at all."—San Francisco Argonaut.

"What do you sell that ribbon for?" asked a young lady in a High street dry goods store. "Eight dollars a week-oh, beg par-

n, 25 cents a yard, madam."-Columbus (O.) State Journal. "Shall I sing 'Because I Love You?"
ked Mrs. Darley as she seated her-

I have more than once heard of a man defending himself from the onmarvelous pencil was "printed, not slaught of a lion or tiger by thrusting published"—was intended simply to bis rifle barrels down its throat in the gratify his friends-and never met the last resort. Poor Major Sandbach of eyes of the general public. Not long the artillery came to his death in Soago, in looking over the album of a maliland a few years ago in attempting lady who for years was a social leader to thus hold off a lioness, which neverat Washington, I came across a con- theless managed to inflict on his hand tribution of Nast's which was as ef. and arm bites which proved fatal. A fective in its way as any of the car- curious story of the same kind comes toons which have made his name fa. from the Khandwa district of northern

Mr. Bayley, also an artillery officer, was charged by a wounded tiger which he was following up. He missed it with his first barrel, and the second as he appeared walking along the ave- failed to go off. The tiger sprang, and Mr. Bayley jumped to one side, thrustrendered it irresistible was the fact ing out his rifle to keep the brute off. The tiger, it is stated, seized the barrels and drove his teeth through them and, being unable to withdraw them, was shot by Captain Harrison, Mr. Bayley's companion.

In his death struggle the tiger dragspeech "dedicated" to George William ged the rifle from the owner's hands, Curtis. Mr. Curtis at the time was the and the jar caused by the stock strikeditor of Harper's Weekly, a position ing the ground broke off two teeth which he had held for many years. In which were imbedded in the steel. This the course of his philippic Mr. Conkling story is said to be absolutely true; but, took occasion to refer to The Weekly, with the profoundest respect for the strength of the tiger's jaws and teeth. I venture to think it wants explanation,-London Sketch.

> Women of a Dutch Village. The village women of Holland take special care to keep the tips of their white lace hoods stiff with starch. which is as necessary a perfection in their toilet as polished linen and spotless collars with ours. This delicate hood is worn over a black skullcap that fits the closely clipped head very much like the headgear of a nun. The elderly women, widows, often wear a straw bonnet over it. A jacket of dark blue, with a breastpiece of cream cloth the women and the girls.

The skirts protrude at the hips in a grotesque fashion on account of the many flannels which they wind about the body, evidently a fad with them as with many peasants of the Black forest, where the custom prevails to wear as many skirts as the spare box will allow, adding at least one skirt every year. They all dress alike, and the talk about dress therefore does not slip into their conversations, and on emerged with his hapless men to tell that score they are at eternal peace the story of his search. Only near the with one another, for no change of brink of the cleft are a few miners dress has occurred among them for burrowing for copper and sending their centuries and will not for years to

An Odd Stage Wager.

The late Signor Foll, the well known vocalist, once made a very curious Jake Foster was for many years one singers at Her Majesty's Opera House. wager with some of his companion of the characters of Oregon, Mo. He drove the back between Oregon and Gounod's "Faust" was among his fa-Forest City and was known to every vorite impersonations. In the garden avoid the elderly Martha formed an important feature of the humorous business.

One night, the length of his legs being a subject of chaff as he was standing at the wings, he declared his ability to cross the stage in three bounds. The comments that ensued resulted in a bet.

When the proper moment for the experiment came, he retreated a few paces, and then, to the surprise of the audience as well as to the representative of Martha, leaped from side to side. The scene never evoked more laughter, and Foll was acknowledged to have won the wager.

Equally Divided.
"During the civil war," says the

Boston Transcript, "the Law school at Cambridge was presided over by Professors Parsons, Parker and Washburn. They were divided in their political views, and each did his best to maintain his opinion.

"Professor Parker was one day asked, 'How do you get along on politics at the Law school? "'Nicely,' he answered. 'We are equally divided."

"But how can that be?' continued the inquirer. 'There are three of you?' "'Easy enough,' replied the profess-'Parsons writes on one side and I on one side and votes on the other."

Another case of going abroad to get the news. A London paper said the other day: "New York is on the eve of a flerce social struggle. The persistence with which 'Boss' Croker, Mayor Van Wyck and the other magnates of Tammany have been ignored by the Vanderbilts, the Astors, the Gerrys, the Goelets, the Livingstons ago entertained a visiting scientist at and the other members of New York's exclusive Four Hundred has so galled and irritated the families of the former that they have resolved upon founding a new and still more exclusive society of their own, which is to take the salls out of its rival."

Degenerate Cockney. The language of the lower Londoner is changing: "Getch trine?"

"Now. Trine gawn, ent it?" Translated: "Get your train?" "No. Train gone, hasn't it?" Ent (the old ain't) seems to cover

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