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THE OLD FIDDLE

[Boston Budget.] We little know the thoughts that sweep each bearing human breast, As in life's toilsome march they bear The sou's that they once loved best.

CATERING FOR WOMEN.

New Wrinkles Adopted by Steward Landlords of Small Hotels. (Cincinnati Enquirer.) The hotel keeper of to-day is artful. He caters to woman for his popularity; and wherein twenty years ago her comfort was a secondary consideration, to-day it is studiously consulted and placed foremost.

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A CALIFORNIA WELL

That Supplies Good Drinking Water and Good Fuel at the Same Time. (San Francisco Bulletin.) Cutler Salmon of French Canyon, not far from Stockton, Cal., sunk a well with a seven-inch tube to a depth of about 840 feet, and struck a copious stream of excellent water.

Lighting Up the Stage Amazons.

[Pall Mall Gazette.] "Now, see," said M. Levy, "the light is obtained from this battery; we call it a primary battery. It is fastened behind the shield, which each of the fifty young ladies carries, and the supplies the lights in the spear and the helmet, which make up the equipment."

Light House Bird Catchers.

Studies For the Ornithologist—Based and Fronted Birds. (Philadelphia Press.) "Run, wife! Go below or they'll be dashed to pieces!" The keeper of the Atlantic City Lighthouse was watching the hydraulic floating lamp in the top of the tower one night lately, and had just brushed a speck from one of the plate glass sashes through which the intense rays from the great fixed light that warns off all floating ocean life from destruction.

THE CHILD WHO GOT PADDLED.

[Twenty-five or thirty years ago, I think, at Marysville, Cal., which was then an established, yet shanty-like, town, lived Judge Stephen Field, and in his law office was a young fellow named George Gorham, who bore a plain family name, but whose another name was a Florida, Welsh-looking stranger.

A Sultan's New York Mail.

[New York Cor. N. O. Times-Democrat.] The doing up of a mail for the sultan of Turkey chances to come under my observation in the office of the Turkish consul. There were numerous letters, which were some of my business, but a package of papers seemed public property, and so it is not an impropriety to tell about them.

Where Were Dolls First Made?

[Cincinnati Times-Star.] No body knows, but they have been used since very early times, and by children in all countries, savage as well as civilized. The largest manufacturers for dolls are in England, and, as in other trades, there is a very minute division of labor.

Wanted to Write a Card.

[Exchange.] "I want to write a card. I'm too new-fangled, Ky, sir, and I am exceedingly green, but when a lot of giddy girls pin a card on my breast, and I go around town all morning with it hanging to me, I think the limit has been reached and the matter becomes a subject for newspaper comment. Therefore, I desire to write a card, and still others cut out now, are he backed out when informed that it would cost him 25 cents a line.

A Mother Out of Place.

[Philadelphia Call.] A pretty girl dropped to the floor in a faint the other day while she was playing the piano in the parlor. Her life might have been saved if a physician had been called in time, but her mother was washing dishes in the kitchen at the time, and did not hear her fall.

Arkansas Traveler.

[Exchange.] Ebery pusion, no matter how ugly he is, is made uglier when he loses his hair. Tech a man about his head an' it weakens his mind.

The Century.

We think too well of the American people to assume that they deem justice a luxury and not a necessity.

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Case of Vertigo.

[Detroit Free Press.] "Judge, were you ever a victim to vertigo?" "Well, I didn't call it by that name, Mr. Rogers."

A Forenoon's Engagement.

[New York Graphic.] Oscar Wilde, among his various stories told in the United States of which he was always the aesthetic hero, related that once, while on a visit to an English country house, he was much annoyed by the pronounced philistinism of a certain fellow guest, who loudly stated that all artistic employment was a melancholy waste of time.

To Prevent a Panic.

[Exchange.] A theatre manager drops this hint: "If every theatre-goer should, once in a while, take out his watch and note carefully the time it takes a leisurely stroll to get out of a house, he will be surprised. But convinced how short the time really is, and how much more danger exists from a crush than from a fire behind, there would be furnished the best guaranty against accidents, in case of fire, the public could have."

Electric Light Photographs.

[New Orleans Times-Democrat.] The best photographs of persons yet taken by means of the electric light can be easily picked out by reason of a certain indistinctness. This is particularly noticeable about the eyes, which seem blinded, and their expression destroyed by the strong glare. The process, it is generally conceded, is as yet only a matter of curiosity and not of practical utility.

The Smelling-Bottle Craze.

[Chicago Herald.] The smelling-bottle craze has been a very fashionable one with young girls in Washington in the past few months. It is a costly fashion. One belle now has her second bottle presented within three months, which cost \$32. The first was crushed under her carriage wheels in coming from a party one night, and its gold stopper with her initials on it alone escaped destruction.

The Duties of a Country Editor.

[McGregor Plaindealer.] Being proprietor, editor-in-chief, local editor, city editor, agricultural editor, puzzle editor, fighting editor, paragrapher, proof-reader, foreman, compositor, job printer, bookkeeper, collector, circulator, solicitor, manager, pressman, to make bills, orders, pay bills, pay printers, taxes, pay house and office rent, pay insurance for himself, wife and baby, be bruiser-general, roystabour, devil, and do chores.

Some Facts Concerning Australia.

[Cincinnati Times-Star Interview.] "Sydney is a very handsome city indeed. The structures are built of stone and brick, the streets are wide and clean. The houses are not made four or five stories high, for there is no occasion for it. Ground is not so scarce here. It is said that Port Jackson, its harbor, is the most beautiful in the world. In this harbor you will find vessels from all nations; also men-of-war of most all empires. It is the center of export and import trade. The city itself is growing very rapidly by leaps and bounds."

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One Hundred and Thirty Years.

[Chicago Herald.] A correspondent who has passed some years in Russia states that in the village of Velkosti, in the St. Petersburg government, an old woman is living who has just attained her 130th birthday! The old lady is in the enjoyment of good health, but complains of her deafness. Her hair is still long and plentiful, considering her age. She has outlived three husbands; and had thirteen children, all of whom are now dead, the last one to die being a daughter of 93. She lives with one of her great-grandchildren, a man of 50.

The Death of Profits.

[Boston Commercial Bulletin.] An old and accepted economic doctrine is that "competition is the life of trade," but many manufacturers are finding that competition has been carried to such a ruinous extreme that it has been the death of profits.

In Search of A to Y they were—

And Marguerite's chose at last— But thought it sounded far more sweet To call the baby "Marguerite." When grandpa saw the little pet She called her "darling Margaret." Next, Uncle Jack and Cousin Aggie sent out word to "Little Maggie." Why Grandpa's the right must be! To call the lassie "bonnie Meg" (From "Marguerite" a letter had to take) Now she's a simply little "Meg." —St. Nicholas.