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FOREIGN GOSSIP.

—The courts of France, it is said, consider it a libel to overestimate a lady's age.

—A Nuremberg chemist says that paste made of starch, glycerine and gypsum will retain its plasticity and adhesiveness longer than any other cement.

—The modified Constitution of Holland provides that the crown shall pass to the Princess of the House of Orange who is nearest related to the last King when there is no direct issue.

—At a recent meeting of the supporters of the Home for Lost and Starving Dogs in London it was stated that the number of dogs brought into the Home during the year ending the 31st of December last had been no fewer than 14,772, being eighty-five in excess of the preceding twelvemonth.

—In the Tower of London are twenty-one specimens of shields, with a pistol attachment in the center, the weapon being a breech-loader, and slightly projecting, so that it would hardly be noticed by an enemy until it was discharged. All these shields were carried in former times as "concealed weapons."

—Two Frenchmen, the brothers Forre, have invented a new kind of harp, made entirely of wood. Instead of strings, the inventors use strips of American fir. The sound is produced, as in the ordinary harp, by the contact of the fingers, but the player wears leather gloves covered with rosin. The tone of the instrument is said to be one of remarkable purity.

THE FATAL MISTAKE.

The tale of a Cat, or the Effects of Cold Poison.

The following illustrations are from a book of illustrated humor by Arthur B. Frost, published by Chas. Scribner's Sons, and have no reference to The New York Sun office cat:

THE RASH ACT.

SUSPICION.

THE PANG.

THE RUSH THROUGH THE HALL.

AND DOWN THE STAIRS—NEW TREATMENT FOR THE GOUT.

INTO THE KITCHEN AND THEN THE CELLAR

OUT THROUGH THE COAL-HOLE.

TO A WATERY GRAVE.

On one of our pages to-day will be found a striking and instructive illustration of the comparative worth of the various kinds of baking powders now in the market.

David Swing,

The well-known preacher who addresses in Central Music Hall every Sunday an audience of from 2,500 to 3,000 people, was born in Cincinnati, O., August 18, 1830. His father died in 1832 and his mother married again, removing to Readsburg, O., when David was seven years old. Three years later his family removed to a farm near Williamsburg, O. At eighteen years of age he entered Miami University, at Oxford, O., graduating in 1852. He studied theology at Cincinnati for one year, when he was appointed professor of Latin and Greek at the Miami University. Here he remained thirteen years, occasionally preaching till 1866, when he was called to the new Westminster church, of Chicago, which soon united with another (old school) Presbyterian church, retaining him as pastor. The fire in 1871 destroyed his church, and he preached in McVicker's theater. In 1873-74 he was tried for heresy on charges brought by Professor Patton before the Chicago presbytery. During the very long trial which ensued Mr. Swing withdrew from Presbyterianism and preached in McVicker's theater as an independent minister until the completion of Central music hall, where he now preaches.

A Celebrated Detective.

THE LATE ALLAN PINKERTON.

The founder of Pinkerton's Detective agency, who died at his home in Chicago on July 1, was a native of Scotland where he was born in 1819. He learned the cooper's trade. During the Chartist excitement in England he was compelled to flee to this country for uttering seditious sentiments. Settling in Dundee, Ill., he continued at his trade as a cooper. While gathering hoop poles on an island in a neighboring river he discovered a deserted camp, which he believed had been the resort of counterfeiters. By following up clews suggested by him the result was that the gang of counterfeiters were caught and punished. This incident led to his being frequently employed by the sheriff in capturing the desperadoes that infested the sparsely populated section in which he lived. His fame reached Chicago, so that on his removal there he was soon after appointed deputy sheriff and afterward appointed the city's first detective. In 1853 he founded the celebrated detective agency which has since ferreted out some of the most desperate crimes of the age, and has retained its respectability and the confidence of the public through the rule laid down by its founder never to operate in a divorce case, or where family matters were in dispute.

British Foreign Secretary.

EARL GRANVILLE.

In the cabinet of Mr. Gladstone, Earl Granville holds the most difficult position, but one in which by previous training he is better fitted than probably any other man in the kingdom. He is 69 years old, and was first appointed under secretary of foreign affairs in 1840, since which he has several times had charge of the office. His face indicates the cool deliberated judgment he brings to matters of state. His popularity is equal to that of the premier.

Gopher-Tail Currency.

[Bismarck Tribune.]

Some of our counties pay five cents a tail for gophers, and in La Moure they pass as currency. A man goes into a saloon, and for a drink throws on the counter gopher tails. When the drawer is full they are taken to the county office and redeemed or paid out. It looks a little novel in church to see gopher narratives going into the contribution box.

A Victim of the Crazy Quilt.

[Somerville Journal.]

"What are you doing, Mary?" asked a Somerville husband, addressing his wife. "I am sewing on a crazy quilt," she replied. "Are there any buttons on it?" "No." "I thought not," he said; "it wouldn't be like you to be sewing on anything that needed buttons," and drawing a deep sigh he proceeded to fasten his suspenders with a half-burned match.

The Collegian: "What do you think of Fielding?" asked a Boston girl of a Harvard graduate. "Oh, it's important, of course, but it don't amount to anything without good batting."

Peck's Sun: A bird in the hand is worth two that have not been through the incubator.