

Netter has written quite an exhaustive article on the subject of pneumonia, in which he reviews the epidemics of that disease which have been recorded.

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A person who has once had the disease retains for years a liability to have other attacks, for the germs of it remain with him and may be found in his saliva.

It is true that this disease is not nearly so contagious as the most of the other diseases of the same character, but it is enough so to warrant a certain amount of care.

Expensive Fun.

A physician of St. Paul related the following little incident in the career of a fellow student. The appearance of the latter was not such as to impress the casual observer with the idea that he was an Asclepius in the science of medicine.

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MILLET'S WAY.

He Never Painted from Nature Because, He Said, "Nature Does Not Pose."

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Upon my first visit to Millet he took from his pocket a sketch book about two and a half by three and a half inches in size.

One of the oldest inhabitants in Boothbay, was met by a scribe some days since, and regaled by the following tale of how he and his better half had outwitted a smart nephew.

"You see," commenced the gentleman, "this smart nephew of mine came down from Bristol to make me and the old lady a visit."

"I thought as how he had the horrors from drinkin' too much apple jack, but I see chingin' to his legs an' shirt, an' nippin' him."

BARGAIN DAY.

Why the Lady Failed to Match Her Napkins and Dress Goods.

"Bargain day" is productive of all sorts of annoyances. In a large store the bargains are confined to only a few of the departments.

At another time, when Mr. Allen was about to begin his sermon in a new place, a former pastor said to him: "Are you a long preacher?"

"I do not believe in singing 'Oh, to be nothing.' I propose to be something, and I want people to know it."

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Ready in Answer.

"Camp meeting" John Allen was always ready with a retort for friend or foe, sometimes scathing, and always humorous.

At a meeting of ministers, a Baptist was invited to give his views on the subject of Methodist economy.

Mr. Allen was on his feet in a moment. "The Methodist church may have more machinery than the Baptist," he replied.

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A NEW MRS. PARTINGTON.

Shillaber's Famous Character in Real Life in a Massachusetts Town.

Mrs. Thrifty, an excellent and prosperous "widow woman," who keeps a store in a famous and favorite Massachusetts town, has a genius in language which would set a new Mrs. Partington up in business.

"Your stock of what, Mrs. Thrifty?" "Dittoes. All sorts of things, you know."

"Why, I mean one of those new fangled one horse cab carriages." "I want to know if you don't know what a hoodlum is?"

When her conversation with Mrs. Thrifty had reached this point the city visitor thought best to change the subject, and related her own experience during her last summer's vacation.

"Have you 'cometh'?" "Cometh, ma'am? I don't know of any book by that name."

When a man can say, "I was there, and I saw it," he ought to be believed, one would think, provided he has a reputation for speaking the truth.

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ONLY.

Something to live for came to the place. Something to die for, may be. Something to give even sorrow a grace.

Cooling, and laughter, and gurgles, and cries. Dimples for tenderest kisses.

Journalism in Australia. As affording a notion of the conditions of Australian life the newspapers of that region are exceptionally valuable.

Meanwhile practical interests are not forgotten. The farm, the vineyard, cattle raising and mining are discussed at length by experts.

That famous patent lawyer, William E. Simonds, who defeated the witty Bob Vance at the polls in the Hartford district, tells a pretty good story on himself.

English as She Is Talked. "Hey, Bill W'hydnt elu kumtus kool yistaft noon?" "Cozza hadda stateem coz mum-muthers sick."

The old dorky looked pleased, and saw an excellent opportunity of quoting Scripture, so she replied. "Law, Missy, but I didn't know that I was castin' pearls befo' swine."

"Cuz Jim Tomson give youway." "Bill weeps softly and goes off in quest of James Tomson before seeking the inevitable interview with the teacher, which really he does not seek.

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