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LITTLE JOHNNY'S ANECDOTES.

He Tells Numerous Stories About Numerous Kinds of Animals.

"Possums has tobacco pouches on the stomach, and one time there was a possum which was a show. A feller come to see the show, and he had a bunch of fire crackers, 'cause it was the Fourth of July. The feller he took one off and put it in his mouth, an then he lit one of the others and held 'em out to the 'possum, and said: 'Have a cigarette?' The 'possum it snatched 'em, and crammed 'em in its pouch, and wank its eyes, and said: 'Now, you can jest 'wistle for your old cigarettes, for I am a regular savings bank, I am.'"

But bimby they went off wild, and you never seen such a busted bank like that 'possum.

My uncle Ned had a 'possum which was a pet, and he had a little music box, too, but my sister's young man he plays the fiddle, and Samy Doppy he can crow like roosters. One day the piano was moved out of the parlor, and uncle Ned he wound up the music box and looked the other way, and the 'possum it sneaked up and put the music box in the tobacco pouch of its belly, a playin' the 'Sweet By-and-By' real nice. Then uncle Ned he went into the kitchen and called Mary, the housemaid, and said: "Mary, you go in the parlor and tell your mistress when she gets done playin' the piano I would like to see her."

Bimby Mary she comes a running back wite like a sheet, and said: "Oh, if you please, sir, that nasty cat of your'n has et the pianner."

An now I'll tell you a little story about snakes. When Mr. Pitchell was a missionary preacher in Africa he seen a natiff nigger trying for to catch a long snake. Mr. Pitchell he said: "What! do you mean to take that feller in your hands?" The natiff nigger said he did, if his gods was willing that he should get a tail hold." Mr. Pitchell he said: "Ain't them kind of snakes pizen?" and the nigger said: "I've et ten this morning, and feel pretty well. Mebby they would pizen me if I was greedy like hogs."

A other time when Mr. Pitchell was there a natiff nigger which was the King he said to him: "You come to the palace next Sunday and preach to us poor converted heathens, and I will have a mighty good dinner ready for you when you have got done." So Mr. Pitchell he went and preached, and while he was preachin' he kept smellin' the dinner which was being boiled mighty nice, and every time he smelt it he stopped to get a good whiff of it. Bimby the King he got mad and he said: "You jest go on with the preach. It ain't nobody but that galoot, Sambo Caesar. He was always a sooffin' wile he was alive, and now the garn dasted infidel pushes up the pot lid for to interrupt our devotions."

If I was King I would take my big sword and cut all the wicked infidel's heads off, yes, indeed; but when you cut a hen's head off the preacher he comes next day and eats her. Hens lay eggs, and the rooster fops his wings and crows when he thinks hisself a better fighter than another rooster, but the feller on the new steeple he don't crow, and if he could lay eggs they would all be busted. Eggs is nicest with ham and sossidge and buckwheat cakes, and a whole apple pie all to your own self. Bildad, that's the new dog, he likes cold apple dumplings, but Tower, that's the dog died, he had a wort on his nose.

The dog is the king of beasts, but snakes is more like eels. My sister's young man says one time

in Indy there was a man who had to travel a long journey on foot, and so he hired a snake-charmer to protect him, cos the snakes there is a mighty bad lot. So the man and the charmer they started, and after they had gone about a mile the charmer he stopped and said: "I guess it's about time for me to begin to earn my money." So he took a floote out of his close and began to play a tune, and pretty soon some snakes crawled out of the grass for to see what was up. And bimby some more come and stood around, too, till after a while there was 'bout a thousan' hundred big pizen snakes all around 'em, and the man was frightened 'most to death. Then the charmer put away his floote and said: "You can't find any fault with such charming as that, I guess, can you? Now if you are ready to go on jest gather a club and wade in, and if we are so fortunate as to get through we will come pretty soon to a jungle where you can hire a cousin of mine which can charm lions and tigers."

A War Incident.

The cry of "On to Richmond" awakened no enthusiasm in the hearts of the Third Ohio one day when they found themselves en route as prisoners of war for that famous capital. Nor were they enthusiastic when they halted for the night and prepared to sink supperless into dreamland.

The Fifty-fourth Virginia regiment was encamped near by, and some of the men came down to have a look at the "Yanks."

"Had your coffee?" asked one of a blue coat-stretched disconsolately on the bank.

"Not a sup," answered the other.

"Ain't you had any rations tonight?"

"Only a crumb or two from the bottoms of our haversacks."

This was told to the boys of the Fifty-fourth, and old Virginia hospitality showed itself at once. The men soon made their appearance with coffee-kettles, corn-bread and bacon, the best they had. In a few minutes the coffee was steaming, the bacon cooked, and prisoners and captors sat down together around the camp-fire, "like kinsmen true and brothers tried." The hungry, grateful Yankees ate with a relish such as no one can appreciate unless he has been in a like situation.

No wonder there was a warm spot in every heart of the Third Ohio ever after for the generous Fifty-fourth.

A fresh slide in the magic lantern gives another of these shifting war pictures. In the distance is Mission Ridge, which has just been stormed. That long line of prisoners passing over the pontoon bridge and up the stony mountain road is the Fifty-fourth Virginia. A soldier on duty at Kelly's Ferry asked indifferently of one of the prisoners as the regiment passed: "What regiment is this?"

"The Fifty-fourth Virginia," was the reply.

"In an instant the loungers sprang to their feet and rushed to camp. "The Fifty-fourth Virginia is at the ferry," they shouted as they ran in and out among the tents of the Third Ohio.

The Ohio boys were quickly in motion. Boxes from home and all reserve stores were speedily ransacked. Coffee and sugar, beef and canned peaches and the best they had of everything were freely brought forth. They remembered gratefully their debt of honor, and paid it nobly. It was the same old scene over, with the shading reversed. For one night at least

both Confederates and Yanks enjoyed again the sweet grace of hospitality that could bring a smile even to the grim visage of war.

Conciling and Anti-Monopoly.

In discussing the evidences of a war on the railroads during the present Congress, the New York Star says, certain friends of the President who claim to be so near to him as to know how he feels on the subject, claim that the administration will back those who have begun the war. They intimate that the hints thrown out last spring, that Conkling would lead an anti-monopoly movement, are being borne out in the present attack upon the railroads. They say that the fight will be carried without intermission, and talk as if they meant it. The number of bills introduced in both branches of Congress, directed against the railroads, would seem to bear them out as to the continuance of the fight; though whether it will be continued by Republicans or by Democrats, remains to be seen. One thing is certain, however, that from some cause or other the Democratic party in Congress is allowing the Republicans to take the lead on this issue, which is so strongly a Democratic issue.

A Liberal Chinaman.

At the last term of the Superior Court, during the trial of a Chinaman from Truckee charged with murder, one of the jurymen sitting on the case was about to enter a closet in the Court House when a Mongolian accosted him on the threshold and stretching out his hand jingled about two hundred dollars in gold coin under the jurymen's nose.

"You take this and hang julee," whispered the sly rascal. "Plisner my cousin. He welly poor. This all money I got. I no tell; alle same Melican man. I go to San Francisco in morning. You hang julee, then julee no hang cousin."

When the jurymen refused to take the bribe the Chinaman actually turned pale with astonishment at the thought of having met an unapproachable man. He was no doubt highly gratified at the refusal when he learned that the defendant was found not guilty.

Nevada Transcript.

Gas.

A stranger in Bradford, Pa., recently seeing that, no matter where he went about the city, he found the gas burning at full head in every store and building in broad day light, asked a citizen:

"Why do you keep your gas burning in the day time?"

"To save matches," said the Bradford man.

The stranger believed the native was lying. Strictly speaking, he was. But, figuratively, he was simply giving the stranger an idea in an epigrammatic way of the cheapness of light in Bradford. The stranger didn't know that the gas he saw blazing on every hand at noonday came ready for use from a natural reservoir 2,000 feet beneath the surface of the earth just beyond the city. He wasn't prepared for the statement that its cost was so small that every body thought the time consumed in turning it out at night and turning it on again the next night was worth more than the gas consumed by continual burning. But that was what they told him, and it was true.

Oscar Wilde, with his beef-eating appearances and his lah-de-da affectations, seems to be an ox and an ass yoked together all by himself.

Furnished Rooms to Let.

At Mrs. Munson's lodging house.

Just received per steamer Columbia, a fine lot of eastern oysters, which will be served up in first class style at Roscoe's, Occident block.

Take Notice.

On after this date an additional 10 cents per cord will be charged on all orders for sawed wood not accompanied by the cash, at Gray's wood yard. July 1st, 1881.

Notice.

From this date James B. Booker is the only person authorized to contract debts or order goods in my name for use at the Knapperton Cannery. JOSEPH HUME. Astoria, Jan. 3, 1882.

Notice.

The regular annual meeting of Progressive Land and Building Association will be held in Liberty hall, Astoria, Clatsop county, Oregon, on the 11th day of February, 1882. Wm. McEwan, Secy. Jan. 10, 1882.

To Live Men.

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War! War! War!

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Cinchona Rubra.

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—Mr. John Rogers of the Central Market, has made arrangements to keep at the finest fresh fish, etc., in their season.

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