

## BREVITIES

### THE HALL OF FAME.

Sidney Webster, the recipient of Mr. Harriman's letter, was the private secretary of President Franklin Pierce.

Maximilian Benedict von Goldschmidt-Rothschild of Frankfurt has been given the title of baron by the kaiser.

M. Lepine, the prefect of police of Paris, has accepted the directorship of the Suez Canal company, made vacant by the death of the late M. Casimir Perier.

Charles P. Taft, a former Ohio congressman, owner of the Cincinnati Times-Star and brother of the war secretary, is credited with a fortune of \$20,000,000.

Chauncey Dickson was recently installed as father deacon at a Catskill (N. Y.) Baptist church. The office was created for him because in September he will be 100 years old.

William A. Flanders of Penacook, N. H., has quite a collection of old newspapers and almanacs, running back toward 1800, and old clocks that would make the searcher after antiques turn green with envy.

Francisco Jose, who was born in 1788, is still alive and at work and a good shot with the rifle at Oporto, Portugal. He served in the Portuguese army which in 1810 opposed the invasion of the French under Napoleon I.

Professor William Hallock of Columbia university is recognized as the leading meteorologist in this country and is the author of numerous books and treatises on weights and measures. Recently he was appointed official measurer to the New York Yacht club.

William Rhinelander Stewart of New York is engaged in promoting the interests of organized charities. When he was president of the state board of charities he served without pay and is one of the few men in public life to spend his own money with a liberal hand to advance his purpose.

George Westinghouse fills more roles in the industrial life than any other American millionaire. This is proved by his achievements as an inventor, financier, organizer and industrial crusader. All of the twenty-six distinct Westinghouse companies in the United States and foreign countries practically are under his control.

General Anson Mills, owner of the Mills building and other valuable property in Washington and who retired from the army several years ago, is one of the wealthiest military men in the country, and his fortune is rapidly increasing. He made his wealth by inventing a machine which manufactures the cartridge belt that is now used by most of the armies throughout the world.

### FOREIGN FACTS.

The coal yield of Great Britain is now about 235,000,000 tons a year.

Toys occupy sixteenth place in Germany's export, with a total value of \$15,000,000.

Paris cab horses work only every other day and are fed on the days they work, not on the days they "rest."

Germany has thirty-one agricultural colleges maintained by the state, and there are many agricultural schools of which half the cost is defrayed by the nation.

The wages paid both skilled and common laborers in France are very low, while the cost of living is relatively higher in France than in the United States, with the exception of house rent and servants' wages.

An endless chain made at Cradley Heath, Staffordshire, England, no less than two and a half miles long and twenty-five tons in weight, was recently forwarded to a Leicestershire colliery. The chain was taken from the forge to canal boats on wagons drawn by a traction engine.

### THE COOKBOOK.

To keep lima beans from boiling over put a small piece of butter with them at the time they are put on the stove.

Delicious fritters can be made from stale cake by dipping the slices in cream, frying in butter and spreading a bit of preserve or fresh berries over the slices, served hot.

Spinach will be much improved in color if it is quickly boiled in salted water until nearly tender, then drained and dropped into cold water until chilled. It should then be thoroughly drained, after which it is ready for use.

Citron which has been in the house for some time will soon become hardened. A very good and easy way to soften it is to place it in boiling water and let it stand for about two minutes. When removed it will be softened and easily cut.

### Three Sick Men.

It is a curious fact that three of the men who did most to revolutionize the world had always bad health. These were St. Paul, Julius Caesar and Marat, the real originator of the French revolution.

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### Notice to Breeders.

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WM. WALKER, Manager.

### SHORT STORIES.

In the sixteenth century it was unlawful to marry during Lent.

The average man needs 1,600 pounds weight of food to sustain him for a year.

Alaskan Indians in the absence of tobacco will smoke shavings soaked in oil and pepper.

The Sargent lumber mill at South Brewer is the oldest mill on the Penobscot river and possibly the oldest in Maine. It was built in 1820.

In Europe 250 acres of land are cultivated by every hundred inhabitants, but in the United States a hundred inhabitants cultivate 890 acres.

While tearing out an old fireplace a few days ago Clarence Boyce of Windsor, Vt., found a United States cent coined in 1796. The cent is in excellent condition.

A Turkish peddler with fifty chameleons was arrested in New York, and during the night all the chameleons escaped. Every policeman in city hall station went lizard hunting and recovered them.

### MODES OF THE MOMENT.

To be especially in vogue one must have the belt to match the collar and cuff set.

Braid and cord are widely used on the underskirts now, which really are quite as much a part of the gown as the bodice.

Rich Indian and Russian designs are greatly in vogue not only for the linen suit, but for the soft linen costumes, kimonos, house gowns and evening wraps.

Not all of the latest models in linen are of plain materials by any means. In fact, there is a very conspicuous showing of fancy weaves, stripes, checks and figures, but none of them is aggressive, and only delicate colors are seen.

The linen sunshade has blossomed out in new designs and beauty, one of the fads being a border of brown suede or patent kid to match the belt and shoes, and another is the very plain top or center, with billows of mull, net or linen frills around the edge.—New York Post.

Platforms are made for one party to stand on and the other to jump on.—Puck.

What a pass we are coming to when a court is asked to determine the sacredness of a concert by testimony as to the length of the dresses worn by the performers!—New York Herald.

A New York man joked while his leg was being cut off. That sounds very fine and heroic, but let him toss off a few merry quips while his teeth are being pulled if he wants to attract attention.—Chicago News.

Every summer brings the announcement that a flying machine has been completed. But the sheriff still keeps his eye on the country road for autos without worrying over the possibility of aerial collisions.—Washington Star.

### New York City.

New York city consumes 987,500 pounds of sugar each day.

New York city has more telephones than London, though London has 2,000,000 more in population than New York city.

According to an estimate made by a banker who is fond of figures, each adult person in New York city is carrying an average of \$23.

There are in New York city fourteen clocks in public view that have no figures or Roman letters on their faces, using some advertising words with twelve letters in their places, and it is as easy to tell the time by their use as by the usual characters.—New York Herald.

## WILLAMETTE VALLEY ACREAGE

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MORO**

### Earlier the Younger.

In a case tried in an Indiana court one of the witnesses evinced some disinclination to state her age.

"Is it very necessary?" coyly asked the witness, a spinster of uncertain years.

"It is absolutely necessary, madam," interposed the judge.

"Well," sighed the maiden, "if I must I suppose I must. I don't see how it could possibly affect the case, for you see—"

"Madam," said the judge, with some asperity, "I must ask you not to further waste the time of this court. Kindly state your age."

"I am—that is, I was—"

"Madam, hurry up, hurry up!" exclaimed the judge, now thoroughly impatient. "Every minute makes it worse, you know."—New York Times.

### At the Minstrel Show.

Tambones — Mistake Interlockenah, what am de difference tween a genius in de wedder brewery who does out de bad wedder an' a fellow what gets insanely angry for a few minits?

Interlocutor — I don't know, Tambones. What is the difference between a genius in the weather bureau who does out the bad weather and a fellow who gets insanely angry for a few minutes?

Tambones — Why, de one has "storm brains" an' de odder has "brain storms." Ha, ha, ha!

Interlocutor — Mr. Zimmerman will now sing "They Use to Call It Water on the Brain."—Judge.

### Proper Footgear.

For a clergyman, cloth.  
For a tourist, rubber.  
For an explorer, arctics.  
For a Caucasian baby, white kid.  
For a negro baby, black kid.  
For a milkman, pumps.  
For a book agent, canvas.  
For a waiter, tipped.  
For collector of the port, custom made.  
For country lovers, overgate-ers.  
For a cheeky person, bronze.—Bohemian.

### Human Unrest.

"Everybody has more or less trouble," "Yes," answered the observant woman. "If a man can't find anything else to worry him he goes to a ball game and gets highly indignant at the umpire."—Washington Star.

### Not Be a Good Match.

"Why is your daughter going to talk against the permanence of a republic in that college debate, Mr. Cynicus?" "Because she thought the advocacy of a republic would not go well with her new empire gown." — Baltimore American.

### Far From It.

"Dora, dearest, I love!" "Oh! Oh!" "Do you interrupt me, Dora, because you don't want to hear it?" "That wasn't intended as an interruption, George. Go ahead." — Des Moines Register.

### Intemperate.

"My son, did you take anything at the freshman dinner?" asked the stern parent of his youthful offspring. "Yes, father, I cannot tell a lie. I took two spoons and a napkin," he earnestly replied.—Harvard Lampoon.

### No, Indeed!

"When your pa was lloking you did you sass and flit back?" "What! With the circus comin' next week? You must think I'm crazy!"—Kansas City Times.

## SELECTIONS

### A BASEBALL SUPPER.

How a College Team's Captain Entertained Eight "Fans."

"Out on the first!" "That's a hot one!" "Willie scores one!" "Home run for Arthur!" These were the familiar terms that greeted each joke or attempted joke. The occasion was a novel entertainment recently given in a college town at which the captain of the college team entertained eight of the most enthusiastic "fans" among his friends at a baseball dinner. Counting the host, the party numbered nine. Dinner was announced at 9 o'clock in the evening.

With the assistance of his mother and sister the young man carried out the whole arrangement with brilliant success. Before going into the dining room each man was given a place on the "team" and by this means found his proper place at the table. The dining table, which was square, was turned and spread in such a manner as to represent the diamond of a baseball field. Instead of the usual cards there was at each cover a miniature fan bearing the word pitcher, catcher, first base, second base, third base, right shortstop, left shortstop, right field, left field. The menu cards were diamond shaped and had "Official Score" printed on one side, and on the other side was the menu, consisting of nine courses, or "innings," as they were termed on the cards. They read, leaving out the interjections, as follows:

FIRST INNING.  
First strike.....Oyster Cocktails  
SECOND INNING.  
In which the Losing Team Lands.....Soup  
THIRD INNING.  
Caught on the Fly.....Mountain Trout on Diamond Shaped Toast  
FOURTH INNING.  
A Sacrifice.....Lamb Chops with Potato Balls  
FIFTH INNING.  
A Foul Ball.....Turkey Croquettes, Green Peas  
SIXTH INNING.  
The Umpire, When We Lose.....Lobster Salad, Cheese Wafers  
SEVENTH INNING.  
What We Were Handed.....Lemon Cream in Diamond Shaped Slices and Macaroons.  
EIGHTH INNING.  
Essential for Good Playing.....Preserved Ginger, Wafers, Coffee  
NINTH INNING.  
Where They All Score.....Distribution of Favors

The favors were tiny horns, with which, at the suggestion of one of the boys, they rooted for the clever host and the unique way in which they had been entertained.—What to Eat.

### The "Drago Doctrine."

What is the "Drago doctrine," which is to be excluded from the deliberations of The Hague conference? It has nothing to do with the late Queen Drago of Serbia, but derives its name from Dr. Drago, foreign minister of the Argentine Republic, who, imitating the example of President Monroe, enunciated the convenient theory that debts owed to the citizens of one government by those of another may not be "collected" by force. This was when the combined fleets of England, Germany and Italy in 1902 appeared off Venezuela and caused Mr. Kipling to write his "Rovers." This "Drago doctrine" was naturally hailed with enthusiasm by all the money borrowing republics of South America, but they were told from Washington that it could not be regarded as a subclause of the Monroe doctrine.—Chicago News.

### Paragraphs From Portland

A banquet tendered the Hon. James R. Garfield, Secretary of the Interior, at the Portland Commercial Club Saturday evening, was a most remarkable affair. Judge George H. Williams presided as toastmaster and talks on Portland and Oregon were made by Governor Chamberlain, Senator Fulton, State Senator Haines, of Forest Grove, Judge Lowell, of Pendleton, and others, while Secretary Garfield, Commissioner Banlinger of the General Land Office, F. H. Newell, Director of the reclamation service, and others, responded on behalf of the visitors. The trip of these high officials of Interior Department, at this time, is of especial importance to Oregon, as shown by the many prominent people from all over the state who attended the banquet.

The successful organization of the Portland Country Club and Live Stock Association is assured. Nearly one hundred thousand of the one hundred and fifty thousand capital stock of the corporation has been subscribed. One of the crying needs of Oregon has been a permanent live stock association and the stock is being rapidly taken up.

All Oregonians will be glad to learn of the organization of the Portland Rose Festival Association, assuring an annual rose show, and the wide publicity to be given future events will be of great benefit to the state generally.

A large and representative delegation leaves today to attend the banquet to Vice President Fairbanks at seaside, given under the auspices of the Astoria Chamber of Commerce. The party will act as an escort to the vice president on his return to the city.

In six weeks more the colonist rates to Oregon will be in effect again, continuing for sixty days. In order to get the full effect of them every commercial organization should get busy with their correspondence with prospective settlers. During this vacation period the boys and girls have the time to write their friends "back East" and tell them about the Oregon country. As an illustration of what can be accomplished by this means, the school children of a single district in one of our coast counties, doubled the school population of that district merely through correspondence, necessitating the construction of an additional building.

A city can prosper only as the country that supports it prospers. The wonderful prosperity of Oregon is reflected in the building record of Portland for the sixth month ending June 30th. This city led the 34 principal cities of the country in the percentage of increase in building over the same period of last year, with a gain of 78 per cent.