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GENERAL NEWS. \$100,000,000 of English Capital Invested in Argentine Republic. CREATION IN VOGUE IN GERMANY. Cats that Live in the Churches of Naples, Italy.

A Japanese has discovered a process for making artificial tortoise shell with the white egg.

The Hon. George Bancroft takes a long and every pleasant afternoon, often with a volume of Shakespeare in his hand.

Prince Bismarck, in consequence of recent illness, has lost the few hairs that were on his head, which is now as bare as a billiard ball.

Channey Dewey says that \$100,000,000 of English capital has gone into the Argentine Republic within the last few years.

Ex-President Frederick and his sister, Princess Alice, German papers assert, regularly reported to their mother, Queen Victoria, the secrets of Germany's diplomatic and military operations during 1870.

Geronimo was recently reported as having embraced Christianity and taken a class in the Sunday-school.

Another new candidate for the patronage of the epicure is soft cheese of mutton of the chamber of Commerce, which has been named "Fromage a la Web." This comes from the same district of France as the Varambon.

A servant girl at a hotel in Tomales, Cal., saved the town from being burned down by the lightning, in 1890.

H. Bensen Whitehouse, United States Charge d'Affaires at the City of Mexico, and Baron von Zedwitz, the Mexican Minister, have climbed the extinct right of his companions, and when the strain was removed the dog made his regular jump.

Baron says he will run opposition to the lord mayor's show in London next year, to see how the matter will fall out.

A Maine girl put a note and her address in a letter, and she was quickly returned to her.

Prof. F. G. Northrup recently lectured in Waterbury, Conn., on the cultivation of the memory and found it very interesting.

In Naples there exists a race of cats which are kept and fed by the authorities for the purpose of eating the mice which infest all old buildings there.

Gen. Grant was no admirer of statues of public men as he had seen them in the United States.

Dr. W. B. Blandy, who was killed at the time of his death amounting to \$11,000.

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WIT AND HUMOR. A man with a diamond shirt stud laughs at pneumonia.

It is the world is a stage we suppose it is the sea that takes the heavy roles.

It is a sad reflection on human nature that one who is crooked in his morals can be squared by a good round sum.

An actress who was desirous of producing a new play called it "Fine Cut" because she wanted some one to back her.

"It must have been dreadfully hard to wear those old coats of armor."

There are two reasons why some people do not mind their own business. One is that they haven't any mind of their own.

First Enter—"I understand big flats don't pay in New York City."

Kinks—"I consider Jinkles one of the greatest statesmen in the country."

"Three kinds of justice figure prominently in trials now," remarked McCorke.

He—"I am thinking of embracing a literary life." She—"I do not doubt that the life will be a very happy one."

When you meet a man and ask him how he feels, if he doesn't stop to think he always says "First rate."

Lassie—"Ye dianna tell me, mem, that's the first psalm David ever wrote."

Fair Youth Creature (after some recitation)—"Do you think I would do for a Juliet?"

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The Rev. John W. Sanborn, who was adopted by Seneca, Neb., and made a chief in that tribe.

Sir Daniel Gooch used to pay the closest attention to alternate rail management.

Why is so much always said about the cost of a new monument, and so little concerning its artistic merits?

A. C. Carr, the "apple king" of Kennebec county, Maine, has raised a queer apple.

Such a cabinet is of great value in saving both time and many weary steps, especially for those mistresses who have to do much of their work in the kitchen.

As speaker on the affirmative side of the question, "Resolved that farming pays in Kansas," had just taken the floor at the meeting of a debating society.

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him to go into politics? Daughter—"But, pa, he has tried, and he can't stand it. The whisky makes him sick."

Willie is an observant youth. He seemed to prefer smaller boys for companions, and when he was asked why.

Wickwire—"Of course I can only give you my own experience, and that is she don't. When she gets to the bottom of them she stops."

Middy (to Fiji Princess)—"If you will be mine by law to my country, your life shall be one round of games and parties, and I will take you to balls, and parties, and all that."

Various Uses for Ammonia. A little ammonia in tepid water will soften and cleanse the skin.

Spirits of ammonia inhaled, will often relieve a severe headache.

When added to a pail of water will clean windows better than soap.

A few drops in a cupful of warm water will take out the spots from old paintings and chromos.

Keep nickel, silver ornaments and mounts bright by rubbing with woolen cloth saturated in spirits of ammonia.

Ammonia applied two or three times, on a fresh cold-sore will kill it. It will drive away if used when the cold-sore is first felt.

A table-spoonful of ammonia in a gallon of warm water will restore colors in carpets, and will also remove whitewash from them.

Yellow stains, left by sewing-machine oil, on white, may be removed by rubbing with the spirits of ammonia, before washing with soap.

Equal parts of ammonia and turpentine will take out of clothing, or from the carpet, or from the wall, even if it be hard and dense, the spot as often as necessary, and wash out in soap suds.

If those who perspire freely, would use a little ammonia in the water they bathe in every day, it would keep their flesh sweet and clean, doing away with any disagreeable odor.

Put a teaspoonful of ammonia in a quart of water, wash your brushes and combs in this, and all grease and dirt will disappear. Rinse, shake and dry in the sun, or over a fire.

Flannels and blankets may be soaked in a pail of water containing one table-spoonful of ammonia and a little sulfuric acid, and then washed with ammonia poured on the under-side. They will be white and clean, and will not shrink.

One teaspoonful of ammonia to a cup of water will clean gold or silver jewelry; a few drops of clear ammonia poured on the under-side of diamonds, will clean them immediately, making them very brilliant.

Sauerkraut and Champagne. Mme. Janaschek, who is fond of German cookery, has invented a new and remarkable dish. It has been the brains with lovers of sauerkraut to pour a bottle of Rhine wine over the pickled cabbage. Janaschek, with the inspired genius, has substituted champagne for the Rhine wine with success.

The imperial cable from Ber to Halifax will be completed.