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A CONJUGAL CAUCUS.

Mrs. Thompson—Are you asleep, Mr. T? Mrs. Thompson (hesitatingly)—No. Mr. T.—Prof. Catgut's bill for Arabella's first quarter...

Mrs. T.—Yes, it is so much more effective to have some unique musical accomplishment—like playing the violin, either or banjo.

Mrs. T.—Indeed! Mrs. T.—Yes; and you said very well. Mr. T.—And on the strength of that you engage a professor at five dollars a lesson?

Mrs. T.—I think (sobs) you are very unkind (sobs) in that way (sobs). You have no interest (sobs) in the welfare and happiness (sobs) of your children.

Mrs. T.—It looks as if I hadn't, indeed, to keep them in the luxury and idleness in which they are living. Mrs. T. (still tearful)—Well, what can you expect?

Mrs. T.—I wasn't brought up so. I worked hard for my daily bread. Mrs. T.—You hadn't a rich father. Mr. T.—(with grim humor)—That's so! Perhaps it isn't his fault.

Mrs. T.—You see the children have got to live up to their station. Mr. T.—A sigh of noble obligation. Mr. T.—Stuck to English, my dear, I catch your meaning quicker.

VISITING THE CONVICTS.

Pathetic Scenes Witnessed Nearly Every Day at S. P. Prison. An old Irish woman, her face covered with wrinkles, tottered into the room.

On another bench in one corner sat a plump-looking Irish girl with a pretty face. She was not alone long, for soon a convict peered sheepishly through the doorway, and recognizing her advanced awkwardly to her side.

A certain convict, considerably above the ordinary grade, was visited by his wife, who was rich, though modestly dressed. She was accompanied by their little girl.

One of the finest and most powerful tools that has been finished at Mulholland has just been finished at Mulholland for the French navy. It is a two-carriage universal lathe which is a complete machine shop in itself.

Every thing about the 8 prem Court is impressive and awe-inspiring. The semi-circular chamber, with its stately columns of mottled Potomac marble, its half-domed roof, lighted by skylights, and the rich upholstery of its sofas arranged upon the sides.

A recent analysis of a popular "crocower" shows that it was made of sixty grains of sugar of lead, sixty grains of sulphur, a little glycerine and water, with a drop or two of oil.

CRUEL DECEPTION.

How a Real Estate Buyer Took Advantage of a Southern Gentleman. A man stopped near Patterson's bayou and thus addressed an old fellow who stood with his arms resting on a fence.

"Do you live here?" "Don't see me dyin' here, do you?" "Ah, you are sportive. I have heard of this neighborhood and have the names of several people. Where is J. B. Mule?"

"What was the matter with him?" "Swamp fever." "Let's see," consulting a scrap of paper; "where is Tom W. Buck?" "Dead."

"What about those fellows that died?" "Hab—oh, them fellows. W'y, you see they—w'y, they oughter died." "That's all right, but I don't believe I want any land round here."

Since the earliest ages of the world flowers have borne an important part. Venus is represented wearing a garland of roses; Juno holds a lily in her hand, and Ceres is adorned with bearded wheat and corn poppies.

Women, therefore, can not plead poverty to excuse the flowerless condition of their surroundings, because even three or four cent clubs together paying only ten cents each, and procure eight or ten varieties of seeds, which will give each person an abundance of plants.

Go into the woods in the early spring and carry a basket and trowel, and dig up some moss and fern roots with a little berries intermingled, add to these some roots of the wild anemone and wood-sage, wild violet and saxifrage, and plant them in a deep dish from your pantry if nothing better is obtainable, and keep them well watered in a sunny window where you can watch their growth and see the tender ferns unroll and the tiny flowers open; they will teach you a lesson of faith and love which you can never forget.

A man has no reason to be proud of his honesty when he has no temptations to do wrong and is too well watched to do any funny business even if he wanted to do so.—Fall River Advertiser.

IN A BUTTON FACTORY.

What a Brooklyn Reporter Saw in a Visit to One of Them. A single button is an insignificant thing and in money value doesn't amount to much, but when it is stated that in the five establishments devoted to button making in this city there is a capital of \$250,000 invested, it is safe to say that the business is considerable.

The work of button-making seems to be light and clean, but I am sorry to say that few of the women toilers are ever likely to become millionaires while following the industry, as their weekly wages seldom go over seven dollars, while more often the reward for their labor is a great deal less, running down as low as two dollars, and averaging the year round, five dollars.

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TELEGRAPHIC SUMMARY.

An Epitome of the Principal Events Now Attracting Public Interest. A fire at Memphis destroyed cotton and buildings valued at \$750,000.

China officials have reported to the empress dowager that an amount equal to \$12,750,000 will be required for the young emperor's marriage. An edict has been ordered to raise this amount.

A special from Coffeyville, Miss., says a body of men, estimated at 150, went into Pittsburgh and demanded of the commissioners that they either deliver up the ballot-boxes or issue certificates of election to the labor candidates.

At Amsterdam, N. Y., aerolite weighing three tons dropped with a loud report in the main street, making a deep indentation in the ground. Great excitement was created by the occurrence and large crowds visited the celestial visitor.

In 1886 there were handled by the clerks in the railway mail service of letters, ordinary matter and registered packages, through registered pouches and 1 inner registered sacks, 5,315,847, 044 pieces.

The Hancock Chemical Company's packing house, for dynamite, was blown up at Ishpeming, Mich. The following named men, who were on the premises, were annihilated with the building: Willie Renaud, Charles B. Brckel, Thomas Thompson, Tim Crowley, Will King and Wm. Lapp.

Five negro laborers were killed by a dynamite explosion in the cut on the extension of the Nashville & Florence railroad near Nashville, Tenn. The calamity was the result of a misunderstanding. The foreman had sent his hands away to a place of safety, with orders not to return until he sent for them.

The annual report of Treasurer Hyatt shows that the revenues of the Government for the fiscal year were \$371,403,277, and ordinary expenditures \$267,932,179, the surplus of receipts available for reduction of the public debt being \$103,471,097.

OREGON NEWS.

Everything of General Interest in a Condensed Form. A new picture frame factory has been started in East Portland.

The grain crop of A. B. Conley, of Sand Ridge, near the Cove, Union county, amounts to 40,000 bushels.

The steamer Telephone, the fastest stern-wheeler probably in the world, caught fire near Astoria and burned to the water's edge. All the passengers with one exception (an intoxicated man) escaped without injury.

The board of managers of the National Soldiers' Home will hold a meeting in San Francisco for the purpose of selecting a site for the Pacific Coast branch of that institution, for which the last congress appropriated the sum of \$150,000.

West Lines was instantly killed at the Lumpkin mill at Oroville, Cal., while unloading logs from a truck. He had unhooked the top log, and while getting it out of the way a second slipped from the truck, striking him on the head and crushing his skull.

James Murphy, a miner, was killed in the Anaconda mine at Butte by a chunk of ore falling on him.

There are now confined in the Territorial penitentiary at Walla Walla 107 prisoners. One of these is a woman from Seattle, two are colored men, one Chinaman and four Indians, and the others of different nationalities.

A fearful tragedy occurred at Granite, Montana. L. Scott murdered his wife in cold blood. Trouble in the family seems to have been the cause. The murderer was discovered lying by the side of his murdered wife, seemingly in a beastly state of intoxication. The officers were apprised of the place, and at once proceeded to the place, where the dastardly deed was committed and placed the murderer under arrest.

COAST CULLINGS.

Devoted Principally to Washington Territory and California. Near Seattle, W. T., James Young was struck by a falling tree and instantly killed.

The name of the postoffice at Burke, Idaho, has been changed by the department to Bayard.

August Marks committed suicide at Colusa, Cal., by shooting himself with a bulldog revolver through the brain.

John O. Davis, a prominent Old Fellow, living near Okaville, Cal., died from the result of having a tooth extracted. A great flow of blood choked him, suffocation ensuing.

At a meeting of the Bodie Miners' Union, held recently, Hugh O'Hara, financial secretary of the organization, was found guilty of embezzlement and expelled from the union.

George Clark, about 50 years old, just arrived from St. Louis, was found dead in his room at the Pico House, Los Angeles. He had blown out the gas and been asphyxiated.

United States District Judge Hoffman sentenced James Harkins, convicted of bribing ex United States Commissioner O'Brien, to one year's imprisonment and a fine of \$2,400.

A Portland bridge carpenter named Lurka fell from the bridge over the Nesqually river near Bridge, W. T., on the line of the Northern Pacific railroad, and was drowned. His body was not recovered.



DYSPEPSIA

Up to a few weeks ago I considered myself the champion Dyspeptic of America. During the years that I have been afflicted I have tried almost everything claimed to be a specific for Dyspepsia in the hope of finding something that would effect permanent relief.

Advertisement for Simmons' Liver Regulator, Constipation, and Dyspepsia, featuring the product name and manufacturer information.