

Personal and Pertinent.

The Prince of Wales wears a sash with his summer costume.
The hand that shook the hand of Sullivan is not as big as it was.

Jake Kilrain's habeas corpus does not feel as comfortable to him as it did.
Postmaster-General Wanamaker was not pleased with Saratoga. He did not like its stamp of worldliness.

Senator Joseph R. Hawley will deliver the oration at the 250th anniversary of the settlement of Milford, Conn.

Queen Victoria cannot bear to hear a cannon fired. This may be because she is a big gun herself and would object to being fired.

It is rumored that Levi P. Morton recently staked a small sum on a Saratoga horse-race. Can this be considered a vice-precident?

The current item to the effect that Secretary Rusk loves pie and baseball adds to the impression that he has the presidential bee in his bonnet.

Giovanni Morosini was recently asked by a Saratoga clergyman if Jay Gould "keeps the Sabbath." "Of course he does," answered Morosini. "He keeps anything he lays his hands on."

Ex-Consul-General Waller sailed for Europe the other day. It is said that his New London (Conn.) constituents expatriated him until he should again have curly locks about his melodramatic head.

Ward McAllister, the revered leader of the Four Hundred, has been taking life quietly at Newport this summer. He has been inclined to retire from public gaze since Stuyvesant Fish was so thoroughly withered by the bright sunlight of publicity.

President Harrison derived considerable benefit from his trip to New England. He has had slight touches of rheumatism at Deer Park, which the salt air of Bar Harbor drove away. Harrison has always preferred the seashore to the mountains in summer.

Mr. Daggert, the polychromatic politician, who has obtained the government postal card contract, is a short, stocky man, with English side-whiskers and a jovial manner. His career in Brooklyn has been picturesque. He claims that he will make \$100,000 a year for the next eight years.

Melville E. Stone, the retired Chicago journalist, was at Trondhjem, Norway, on the 23d of July returning from a search for the midnight sun at North Cape. His intentions were to proceed thence to Russia, returning to America in the autumn. He is looking for a newspaper somewhere in the West and may conclude to start a one-cent morning journal in St. Louis.

Susan B. Anthony has attracted the attention of a Saratoga gossip, who says: "On Sunday last she dined at the Hotel Balmoral on Mount McGregor. She hardly looks her sixty-nine years of age, but that's the figure. She is one of the best known women in America. She comes of a family every one of whom has been prominent in public life. Two of her brothers have been governors of the state of Kansas, while another was United States senator. She was born in Massachusetts in 1820, and since 1869 has been conspicuous in various philanthropic and reform movements."

Are Blinkers Hurtful?

When a horse is used for the saddle no one thinks of meddling with his eyes and we allow the animal to use them freely, as nature has directed. But no sooner do we put the same animal in harness than we think ourselves bound to fasten a leather flap over each eye so as to prevent him from seeing objects at his side, and to limit his view to those which are in his immediate front. This is done with the very best intentions, the object being to save him from being frightened by startling and unwanted sights, and only to leave a sufficiency of vision wherewith to guide his steps. Herein, as in feeding and stabling the horse, man judges the animal by himself, forgetting, or rather having failed to notice, that the eyes of the horse are exceedingly unlike his own.

Our eyes are set in the front of our heads, so that if blinkers were fastened to our temples our range of vision would be but slightly limited. But the eyes of the horse are placed on the sides of the head, and are rather prominent, so that the animal can not only see on either side, but by rolling his eyes backwards, as we see in a vicious horse, can see objects almost in his immediate rear. The effect of the blinker is both physically and mentally injurious to the horse. In the first place, especially when large and brought near the eyes, it has the effect of heating them and hindering the free passage of air over them. In the next place, it causes the eyes to be always directed forward, and thus produces a most injurious strain on the delicate muscles. We know how painful a sensation is felt when we are obliged to strain our eyes either backward or upward for any length of time, and the horse suffers no less inconvenience when it is forced to keep its eyes continually strained forward.

The worst examples of the blinker that I have ever seen were in the United States, where the blinkers (or "blindners" as they are there named) are brought so closely together in front by means of a strap and buckle that a mere narrow strip, barely half an inch in width, is left for vision. This again is done with the best intentions, the object being to save the animal from being affected by snow-blindness. Now, the horse's eyes are in many respects different from our own, and are not affected, as is the case with ours, by the vast expanses of dazzling snow which are rendered even more dazzling by the clear atmosphere and brilliant sunshine of America. One of its safeguards lies in the remarkable structure which is popularly termed the "haw," and scientifically the "nictitating membrane." This is a sort of third eyelid set beneath the true eyelids, and capable of being drawn at will over the eyeball, thus performing the double duty of shielding the eye from the direct glare of light and clearing its surface from dust or any other foreign substance. This membrane is seen to perfection in the birds of prey, so that the proverbial statement that the eagle trains itself to gaze at the midday sun has some foundation in fact.—Public Opinion.

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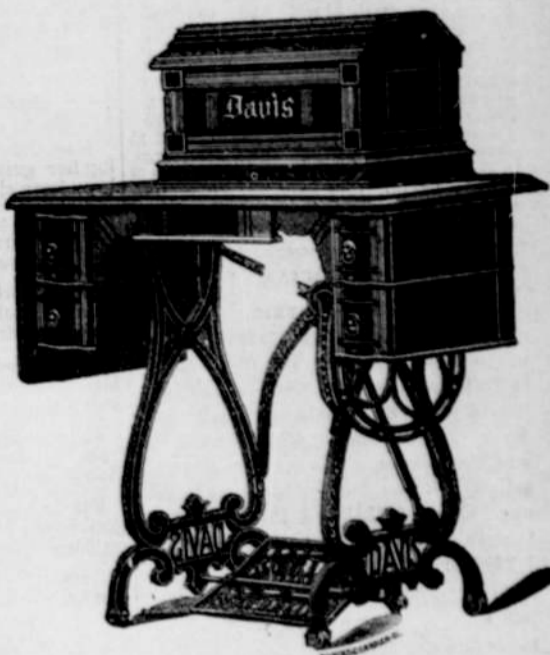


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