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The barque Mikado, Capt. Bunn, arrived vesterday from San Francisco with a cargo of dye wood, after a passage of 122 days. Capt. Bunn reports that on February 14th he hove to off Pitcairn Island and his vessel was visited by two boat loads of natives with whom he traded. This solitary little island in the Southern Pacific is the home of one of the happiest civilized communithe in the world, and the rest of the world galways glad to get the latest news from t. The island lies out of the track of ordinmy navigation in latitude 25 degrees south and longitude 130 degrees west, and its only regular communication with the outside world is once in eighteen months, when a British man-of-war touches there. It was settled by the ancestors of the present inbabitants ninety-nine years ago. Nine mutineers of the British ship Bounty founded the colony. They induced six men and twelve women from Tahiti to join them, and the descendants from the original 27 now number about 300. The only difficulty encountered was that finally the colony outgrew the producing capacity of the island, which is only two and one-quarter miles long and a mile wide. About thirty-two years ago the overcrowded condition of the island led Great Britain to offer the colonists the island of Norfolk for an off-shoot settlement. All the Pitcairnians moved there, but part of them returned, and the population of the island is now 117. The people elect annually a chief magistrate and a deputy. All property among them is owned in common, and money is not known on the island. The people live in native built cottages, raise all manner of fruits and vegetables in the balmy climate and catch fish in the sea. They have a church and school, and are fairly well educated and intelligent. Sickness and crime are practically unknown among them. Capt. Bunn says of his visit to the island : "We hove to in Bounty Bay, the only

landing place on the precipitous coast. Two large boats which they called the Queen Viotoria and the Admiral Drew put off to us. Their chief, Russell McCoy, a splendidly. built stalwart man of middle age, welcomed us and offered the freest hospitality. He came on board clad in a suit of white, with sfelt hat and wearing a red rose boutonniere. They brought us melons, yams, oranges, pineapples, vegetables and a beautiful bouquet. The only flowers in the bouquet that I had ever seen before were roses and a variety of geranium. I never met more courteous gentlemen than these natives of Pitcairn proved to be. I offered to pay for the supply of fruit and fish they provided, but they declined money, saying that it was of no use to them. I gave them some bacon, coffee, scap, and a suit of clothes. They gave me about twenty letters to be forwarded, most of them to Tahiti. Chief McCoy told me that everybody on the island was well and happy. I discovered that they used ne liquor of any description and that they didn't smoke. We remained there only two or three hours, and none of us went ashore. When we left the two boats' crews gave us a round of ringing Yankee cheers.

## Tale of an Esquimau.

An Esquimau sat on a chunk of ice, In the land of the Northern Pole; He cracked his heels and he whistled twice At a sight that alarmed his soul.

For a stranger came over the fields of enow, At a speed that was fearful, quite; His cheeks were pallid and thin with woe, And the frost on his beard was white.

"Oh, prithee, pause," cried the Esquimau, "From whence do you come so fast?" "I come from a land weary leagues below

This realm with its storms and blast. "I come from a land in the far off South, And I've travelled ten thousand miles Since last the sun like a beaming mouth

Turned loose on the earth its smiles. "I've clambered the mountains, on raging

Full oft' I've been heaved and tossed; I umpired a game for two base ball teams-Alas! And the home club lost."

## A Dog That Can Tell Time.

Samuel Reid, the truckman, is the owner of a very intelligent Irish setter, and he never tires of telling of the many wonderful performances of his pet. Last night Mr. Reid told his wife, in the presence of the dog, to arouse him at 6 o'clock this morning as he wished to go to the Rosedale dock to begin work on a large stock of freight which was awaiting his attention. This morning Mrs. Reid failed to awake at the hour you were in the army during the war? named, and Mr. Reid was aroused by hearing his knowing dog scratching at his bedroom door. He instantly arose and upon looking at the clock discovered that it was three minutes past 6 o'clock. Mr. Reid I'd just file my claim." says it would take considerable money to tempt him to dispose of the dog that seemingly so well understands the English language, and is withal so faithful and knowing.

## -Bridgeport Farmer.

A Close Competition. "My papa's got some new horses and a nice new brougham."

"And my mamma's got a lovely new

"Well-w-well, my mamma's got a cook that has staid two weeks!"

Easily Understood.

Mr. De Broker (at Monte Carlo)-I cannot understand how this establishment keeps | base. funning. Do you not often lose heavily? Intelligent employe-Ah, non, m'sseer, Zee seatablishmong have eets commission all time, no matter how zee game go. Mr. De Broker-Ah, now I see! It's just like the brokerage business.

## HERE AND THERE A JEST.

THINGS WHICH THE ALLEGED HU-MORISTS THINK ARE FUNNY.

Ground Out by the Professional Mirthmakers.

### A Respite.

Caller (to friend)—It is such a pleasure to be out again. I don't know when I've enjoyed a day more. I've been so busy this

Friend-You have engaged an extra girl, then, and are enjoying your leisure. Caller-Why, no, not exactly. The girl we had went home to her mother to-day, and I am enjoying her absence.

### Not Used to It.

Musician-I saw you among the audience at the oratorio of "The Creation" the other

Eminent divine-Yes, I felt that it was my duty to go and hear it; but it was dreadfully tiresome. Between the long drawn out recitatives, the endless repetitions in the arias and choruses, the hard seats in the hall, the necessity of remaining quiet all that time, and the cramped-up position in which I had to sit, I was nearly dead by the

time they got through. Musician-You should sit among the congregation in a church for a while and get hardened.

Temporarily Disabled. Visitor-I don't see Signor Samson, the modern Hercules, here to-day.

Attendant-No, he tried to carry up a scuttle of coal for his wife last night and overexerted himself. Doctor says he'll be out in a week, though.

No Wonder He Grieved. Mr. Isaacson-Mr. Oppenheimer ish a sad

looking man. Mr. Blumenthal-No vonder. He lost his vife year pefore last. She fell dot steam. boat off and her poty vas never recovered. "And Oppenheimer vas grieving apout

dot vife vat was drowned year pefore last?" "Of course, he vas veeping yet. She had all her tiamonds on ven she was drowned.

### The Wise Druggist.

"Well, sonny, what is it?" asked the drug clerk, peering over the counter at the threefoot mite of humanity.

"Mamma sent me to get a piece of soapcast-iron, I think she said."

"We don't keep any summer hotel soan here," returned the clerk; you must have mistaken the metal. Wasn't it Castile?"

Last Year's Wardrobe. There still remain to memory dear-

And not yet lost to sight—the laces I wore so gayly at the pier, At Newport hops, and Long Branch

Some slippers, too-some boots-a few Chic gowns, still fresh enough for service With alterations-yet 'tis true

Their contemplation makes me nervous. I ought to be rejoiced to know My wardrobe did outlast the season;

Yet still I can but grieve, and O-It is not without ample reason. Gowns, laces, boots remain; but then,

This truth a mournful question covers-Where, where, O where, are last year's

Dear last year's lovers? -Madeline S. Bridges in Judge,

## Time by the Forelock.

boi an office fer me brother. Mayor Grantall-I did not know you had one approached him and asked : any brothers in this country.

Alderman McShwim-Oi'ave not, but was this evening?" av them is comin'.

## A Proper Inducement.

not honor me and my church by attending service to-morrow?

" No. sir." "I would like you to hear me preach."

" No. sir." "The sermon may interest you."

"No. sir."

"The text is: 'Take a little wine for thy stomach's sake."

(Radiantly)-"I'll be there."

## An Injured Veteran.

Journalist-I would like to get a pension Pension agent-Were you injured while

"Yes. I was a newspaper correspondent and I did so much hard lying that I strained my conscience, and as everybody connected Post. with the army is getting a pension I though'

## Different Views of an Ideal.

She-You must not think me fickle for refusing you, but the man I marry must come up to my ideal. He must have all the virtues of a knighterrant.

He-That's allright, my dear. I'll introduce you to my brother, who is studying for the ministry. Just the fellow you want, "Well, my papa's going to buy a new He is the fool of the family.

Couldn't Take an Important Part. Professor of history-Mr. Crimple, i Napoleon were alive to-day, what part is the game of life do you think he would prefer to play?

Student-I'm sure I don't know, sir. But wouldn't be tall enough to play first

Teacher-Now, Betty, can you tell me the meaning of the word professor? Betty-O, yessum! Professors is them they will carry the matter to the Privy as rides on four horses in the circus and their favor. up in balloons.

THE LIBERAL PICNIC.

Four Thousand People Gather at the

Terente Demonstration, Toronto, July 1.—The Reform picnic on Saturday was attended by three or four thousand people. Sir Richard Cartwright, Hon. A. S. Hardy, Hon. G. W. Ross, Hon. Chas. Drury, Hon. Secretary Gibson were among the distinguished guests. Mr. Blake and Mr. Mcwat were unavoidably absent. Sir Richard was the principal speaker. He devoted a consideaable portion of his address to a resume of the "iniquities" of the Dominion Government at its last session of parliament and generally through its whole administration. Though in the minority in the federal parliament of Canada he started out by saying, the Reformers had now under their control every important local legislature in the Dominion of Canada

Fifteen and 20 years and never required any repairs. from the Atlantic to the summits of the Rocky Mountains "One of the most important of which," Sir Richard went on, native Province of Ontario has been held ty-one years, extracting teeth for thouand most successfully administered for a sands of persons without a particle of pain longer period than any administration what or injury. ever held power in any province." The the Golden Lion. laudation of Canada and of Canadians by Canadians, in fact loyal sentiment was referred to. A Scotch clergyman had once hoped "that Providence would cause the congregation to have a good conceit over themselves." No doubt a certain amount of such self-glorification was a very good

The imposition of a 2-cent postage on all city letters in place of l cent as formerly, was another point scored by Sir Richard. "Within 22 years," the orator continued, Self-Rolling Window Shades and Picture "we have trebled our total debt, our total taxation, our total expenditure. Within that time we have barely added 50 per cent. to our population. The expenditure has therefore been four or five times greater than our increase in population. At the most our population was 4,946,000." By figures Sir Richard went on to demonstrate that Canada had lost between 1881 and 1888 no less than three-fourths of a million in NEW

For himself, he said, he desired them to Lindsay, Jan. 16, 1887. understand that he had no apology to make and no excuse to offer for his action on the Jesuit Estates Act, and he stood prepared to defend the action he took either here or before any assembly in the country. [Applause.] He might be charged with supporting the policy of Sir John Macdonald. Once or twice before he had found himself in accord with the Government of Sir John Not long ago he cast his vote with that Government on the question of the execution of Louis Riel. He found himself constrained to vote as he did, notwithstanding that the unfortunate Metis were driven to insurrection by the callous neglect of the Government of Sir John Macdonald. He admitted that men wno nad supported Sir John in his policy of unjust interference with the provinces of Manitoba and Ontario acted logically in demanding a similar disallowance of an act of the Legislature of Quebec, but how could he and the great body of the Liberal party who had steadily fought for provincial rights go back on their own course? How could they, he repeated, take a different course from what they had?

## Speeding an Unwelcome Guest

Washington has been long notorious for a small class of hard-faced, persistent people, who make the rounds of fashionable entertainments and receptions without either invitations or the acquaintance of the people upon whom they intrude. They are of both sexes, and are alike marked for brazen audacity. One was well done up last season, and taught a lesson he will be slow forget-

A certain club in the West End is noted for its exclusiveness. At a dance given by it this bold intruder put in an appearance faultlessly attired and complacent in prospect of a pleasant evening, topped off with a fine collation. Several of the floor managers happened together and attention was called to the conspicuous stranger, whom none of them knew. By a comparison of notes it was quickly discovered that none of the Alderman McShwim-Oi want yet' lay authorized persons had issued him an invitation, and only one knew his name. That

"Will you inform me whose guest you are

The intruder hemmed and hawed, but did not afford the desired information.

"You will have to pardon me," continued Young preacher-Mr. Soaque, will you the gentleman," but it is necessary to know the name of the friend who has invited you

Not receiving any satisfactory response, the floor manager continued:

"You fail to see what I am trying to make plain to you, sir. You are one of a class in this city who force themselves into the society of people with whom they are not acquainted, and who come to exclusive entertainments without the formality of an invitation. Now, if you will take my arm I will conduct you to the cloak room. If you should go alone it would cause comment, but if you will take my arm people will think you are an acquaintance."

The interloper took the proffered arm and vanished from the room .- Washington

## A Fast Female.

Mrs. Cumso (to her husband)-What girl was that Mr. Fangle was talking to you about? He said she was only 15 and the fastest thing he knew.

Mr. Cumso-Don't remember his talking of any girl. Did he mention her name? Mrs. Cumso-Yes; Maud S., he called

The St. George Victims to Combine, WOODSTOCK, June 28 .- Thomas E. Mar-

tin, Joliet, Ill., with J. H. Nelles, S. G. McKay and W. T. McMullen, legal gentlemen of Woodstock, all interested in the legal proceedings arising out of the St. George railway accident, state that the plaintiffs in the several suits against the Grand Trunk Railway for damages for injuries sustained in the accident will unite in employing counsel, and the cases will come up before the November session of the assizes in Woodstock. They declare that



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