Nonsense Verse: Cow Slips.

Where, O where can the bossy-cow be
I think she's up in the sycamore tree;
I saw her tail fly out in the breeze
And I just looked up when I heard her sneeze.

She hung her bag on the front door latch,
And left her horns in the turnip patch;
The dog came by, and "My friend," says she,
"I'm going to roost in the sycamore tree."

She shook her elbow right in his face
And turned a summersault over the race;
For the wind was high and her heart was gay,
That's what made her act in that very strange way.

She bound the dish rag over her eye
And told her calf she was going to fly;
For she'd seen enough of the world below
And there was no sense in living so slow.

She put her arm around his waist
And waltzed on tip-toe in such haste,
I thought she was crazy and said so, too;
But I'd hardly said that when away she flew.

She rested her wings on the barn yard fence
And that's the way she began to go hence;
It was no use to hold her back
For I tried and tried till I heard her legs crack.

She jerked away and smiled so loud
I thought that her heart was a thunder-cloud;
And before I knew she was laughing at me
She gave a spring for the sycamore tree.

THREE MEN DROWNED.

Mill Hands Unable to Swim Drowned in a Mill Pond.

A Sherbrooke, Que., despatch says Calista Reil, aged 19; Jas. Castonier, 15 and Octave Pope, 18, were found on Saturday in the mill pond of Wm. Long, Key Brook, Brompton. They had all been in the employ of Mr. Long, but did not work on Thursday in consequence of repairs to the mill, and went fishing. Not returning in the afternoon it was taken for granted that they had taken a short cut to their homes, Wakefield Hills settlement, Windsor. The hat of Castonier having been found floating on Friday afternoon caused uneasiness, and a messenger was sent to their home, when it was found that they had not been there. The water was at once drawn off and their bodies were found in a place where the water was twelve feet deep. They had put their clothes under the bridge where they were not very easily seen. The evidence at the inquest showed that none of the three could swim. A verdict of found drowned was returned.

Medical Item.

It often occurs that doctors do not care to tell patients the whole truth. An Austin doctor has a very neat way of encouraging the patient, and at the same time he does not deviate from the truth.

"Doctor, please examine my chest. There is something the matter with my lungs," said a man far gone in consumption.

The doctor examined the patient's chest, and consoled him by saying:

"You just go home and don't bother about your lungs."

"Is there nothing the matter with them?"

"I don't say that there is nothing the matter with them, but they will last you until you draw your last breath, and you certainly will not have any use for them after that."

The Wonderful Kile Family.

A Richmond, Pa., despatch says: Abraham, Isaac and Jacob Kile of this township, are brothers. They are triplets, 72 years of age. Isaac is fifteen minutes older than Jacob and is fifteen the junior of Abraham. Their mother, Catharine Kile, died recently, aged 98. Besides these three children she left 9 others, besides 82 grandchildren, 120 great-grandchildren, 28 great-great-grandchildren and 2 great-great-great-grandchildren. She had been a widow four years, her husband dying at 95. They had been married 75 years.

Ravages of Lightning.

Mr. Haley and his son, farmers in the township of Brant, took shelter under a tree during a thunder shower Friday, and while there a thunderbolt struck the tree and also both men, seriously injuring Mr. Haley, sen., who remained unconscious for some time, being seriously burned about the body and limbs. His son escaped with a severe burn on the hip. Both men are now doing well.

Mrs. Ireland was instantly killed by lightning near Emerson, Manitoba, on Friday. Her clothes were torn completely off and her hair burned.

Twenty-one years ago there were twelve women doctors in the United States. Now there are 580, and more coming.

He that will believe only what he can fully comprehend must have a very long head, or a very short creed.

Society is a crucible in which all gold melts. Out of it is drawn only one of two prizes—vanity or disgust.

There are no depths for a brave heart from which hope cannot mount; hope, which outlasts gold and the grave.

Many of the letters written by George Eliot, and included in Mr. Cross's forthcoming biography, refer to the American civil war.

They are ill discoverers that think there is no land when they can see nothing but sea.

To be faithful, to keep faith simply and joyously, is to reach and hold the essential best of life.

From cork chippings, once thrown away, thousands of yards of linoleum are now made at Delmenhorst, Germany, where the industry is becoming quite important.

Five hundred thousand marks was the sum paid to Mme. Kalamine for releasing the Duke of Hesse from his morganatic marriage.

Another deadlock in the negotiations between Prussia and the Vatican for the election of an Archbishop for Posen has occurred.

Little is said about dynamite at London. The police keep to themselves whatever information they receive. O'Donovan Rossa's threat against Windsor Castle merely results in increasing the guard there.

Prof. Goltz, of Strasburg, lately exhibited a dog possessed of no part of that portion of the brain which some physiologists call the "motor tract," or the seat of power for voluntary motion. Yet the animal had perfect freedom of action, and knew how to effectually resist any interference with him at meal times. The printed volumes are many in which attempts are made to prove that such a thing is impossible.

GOSSIP FROM BRITAIN.

Cablegrams Received Since Saturday Evening.

The plague has appeared on the Persian frontier.

Ald. Hadley, of London, who was in Canada a short time ago on cable business, has failed.

The latest devices of a Paris paper for attracting readers is the engagement of two eminent physicians to attend gratuitously upon its yearly subscribers.

A Swiss doctor who has been ruined by gambling, committed suicide at Monaco yesterday. This is the thirty-second suicide at Monaco this season.

A St. Petersburg despatch says twelve artillery officers have been arrested at Odessa charged with Nihilism. Fifty male and female pupils in three High Schools at Kischeneff have also been arrested on the charge of Nihilism.

There are two additions to the list of royal authors. The Austrian Crown Prince has published a book on his travels three years ago in the Holy Land, and Prince Frederick Charles of Prussia is preparing a history of his recent experiences in the East.

The weather has now definitely broken in England, and there has been a succession of thunder storms and fierce rain. The farmers are delighted, for the crops badly wanted water, while sporting men are cooled for the diminution of attendance at ace meetings by the improvement of the round for horses.

A Paris despatch says M. Pasteur has been worried to death since he announced his discovery of an antidote for hydrophobia by offers of subjects for experiments, a young lady being of the number, and by hundreds of thousands of prayers for relief by persons bitten by dogs in all parts of the world. His life is further embittered by a crusade against him of the anti-vivisectionists.

It is significant of the progress of female employment in England that the Providential Company, one of the greatest insurance offices, is now entirely served by female clerks, and that 4,353 are employed in Government offices, but the excess of women is still so great that Lord Shaftesbury has declared that the greatest benefit that could be conferred on England would be the emigration of from 200,000 to 300,000 women.

A London cablegram says: Much uneasiness has been caused among Government officials here by the latest imperial utterances from St. Petersburg. This is attributed to a growing belief in Russia that England is gradually retiring from its former policy of extension of empire. Russia has formally announced that she has decided to abandon her recent intention of evacuating Central Asia, and has proclaimed a determination to extend her Asiatic frontiers. This announcement contains a threat for England, being coupled with a declaration that Russia believes it will be better for England to confine her energies in the East in future within the natural boundaries of India.

THE DEADLY KEROSENE.

Two Women Badly Burned With Coal Oil.

Mrs. John Mackintosh, of London East, attempted on Sunday evening to kindle her fire with coal oil. The result was an explosion, which scattered the blazing oil over Mrs. Mackintosh and her little girl. Mr. Mackintosh, who was in bed, sprang to the rescue of his wife, dragged her out of the house, and rolled her in the sand till the flames were extinguished, his prompt though severe treatment saving her life. As it was she was badly burned about the arms and legs. The little girl's hands and arms were badly burned, and the father's hands were somewhat injured.

Printed Handkerchiefs.

Occasionally a French printer evolves a notion worthy of a live American. A typo in Rouen has printed and published a large edition of handkerchiefs for the diffusion of military knowledge among the masses. There is a grotesque sound to this, but none such is intended; the novel typographic enterprise is as serious a business project as the prosaic work of issuing a primer or spelling book. The handkerchief has been carefully edited by two officers holding high positions in the army of France, and is printed on linen with what is said to be indestructible black ink. A large quantity of matter has been crowded on the handkerchief, all of practical value to men in the ranks of the army. Besides the array of martial knowledge inculcated, the handkerchief inculcates sentiments of patriotism in pithy, ringing sentences. The shrewd printer of the handkerchiefs is sure of the countenance of his Government, for France is more than ever eager to recover her old-time military supremacy, and to awaken a love for a military life among her people. What more convenient manual for the would-be soldier than the handkerchief of useful military knowledge!

A certain doctor of Paris who had had many unfortuate operations became crazy. His mania was to walk day by day among the tombs of Montmartre, muttering all sorts of incomprehensible things. One day a friend surprised him trying to force open the grated door of a private vault. "What are you doing there?" asked the friend, trying to lead him away. "Let me alone," said he; "I want to make my excuses to my last patient."

Three Indiana highwaymen, fearing that the boy whom they had robbed might reach a neighboring village to report the crime before they could get to a safe distance in the other direction, deliberately shot a bullet through each of his legs in order to ame him

A Winnipeg despatch says: The Sub-Committee of the Farmers' Union met here yesterday and revised the constitution under the Act of Incorporation. The Central Union is now fully constituted with a board of officers and directors. Mr. Bayley, late of the Nelson *Mountaineer*, has been appointed travelling agent to form branch unions. Steps are to be taken to ship grain direct, and to import implements—American preferred. The committee passed resolutions condemning the C. P. R. elevator regulations, and approving the course of the Legislature in regard to the Ottawa terms.

MUSICAL AND DRAMATIC.

Another Terry.

Still another Terry is to be introduced to the English stage, in addition to Miss Ellen Terry and her bevy of sisters, who are all in the profession. Mr. Irving has discovered histrionic possibilities in a young brother of the tragedienne, and proposes to make him an actor. His facial resemblance to Miss Ellen Terry is striking, and Mr. Irving intends to utilize this resemblance in his forthcoming revival of "Twelfth Night."

A Great Musical Event.

An event which will long be memorable in London's musical annals took place to-night at the Royal Albert Hall, where Sir Julius Benedict, the eminent composer, gave his fiftieth annual concert. The choir was composed entirely of members of the Albert Hall Choral Society, under the training of Mr. Bamby, and in the orchestra were gathered all of the most prominent musicians in London. The solo artists of the evening were Mesdames Albani and Patti, and Messrs. Sims Reeves, William J. Winch and Santley. Sir Julius was welcomed by hearty applause. The musical programme of the evening was Sir Julius Benedict's oratorio, "St. Peter," and the artistic excellence of the performance was beyond all criticism.

Notes.

Remenyi, the violinist, is performing in New York.

Boston went mad over that worst of all rubbish, "Skipped by the Light of the Moon."

A Chicago paper headed its account of the recent musical festival in that city—"A body-quaking rapture."

Mrs. Langtry has had a set of two dozen dress buttons made of gold dollars engraved with her monogram.

Mr. Gus Williams, finding that "Captain Mishler" did not take as a tragedy, turned it over into a farce, and kept the same heavy role.

Miss Annie Pixley will leave for Europe within the next two weeks. She has been playing continuously almost for four years and needs a rest. There is no likelihood that she will accept an engagement in England.

E. A. McDowell and Fanny Reeves, his wife, who organized a company in New York a few weeks ago to make a tour of the West Indies, have received discouraging reports from there and given up the idea.

Miss Stanley, the well known singer, and daughter of the eminent baritone, is, we understand, about to be married to the Hon. Robert H. Lyttelton, and to quit the profession.

Mr. John Ryder, the veteran actor, takes his leave of the stage this month, when he will attain the age of 70. Mr. Irving will probably appear at his farewell. Mr. Ryder will continue to train artists for the profession.

The Birmingham papers dissent from the general praise that has been lavished upon Miss Mary Anderson, and declare that her impersonation of *Pauline*, in "The Lady of Lyons," was cold and artificial.

Miss Clara Louise Kellogg sailed by the Aurania for Europe yesterday, to be gone for the summer. Although Miss Kellogg has had four offers for opera for next season, three English and one Italian, she has made no arrangements for the future. Her European trip is entirely one of pleasure.

Mary Anderson concluded her provincial tour, which has been phenominally successful, at Birmingham on Saturday evening. She is to start for Italy next week for a few weeks of rest and recreation before reappearing at the Lyceum Theatre early in September.

Gregorian music, says a late writer, has stood the test of centuries, and instead of wearying of it by constant repetition, as we do of other music, we find that as the festivals and seasons of the Church's year come round they bring with them this sublime chant in all its freshness and grandeur.

The Brown Memorial Statue.

From letters received by Mr. J. D Edgar, the Secretary of the committee, it is learnt that the bronze statue of the late Hon. George Brown may be expected to arrive here in the end of August or the beginning of September. A number of Canadians have seen the full-sized model in the studio of the artist, Mr. C. B. Birch, A.R.A., in London, and it is pronounced to be admirable. The granite pedestal in the Queen's Park is very suitable and substantial, and its position is one of the best that could be chosen.

Character is higher than intellect. A great soul will be strong to live, as well as to think.

The latest pawnbroker scheme is to have ignorant persons sign bills of sale under the belief that they are pawn-tickets.

Eva Long, of Gainesville, Ga., while out riding with her father, turned and rode away with Thomas McConnel, whom she married.

In Russia the heir to the throne comes of age at 16, and is then usually placed in charge of some distinguished person especially in the confidence of the Czar. It is thought that Count Adlerberg, who held a high position in the late Czar's household, will be selected now.

George H. Fox, who resigned a position on the Ottawa *Free Press* because of an affection of the eyes, has returned from Florida, where he spent the past seven months. Notwithstanding two operations his sight is unimproved, and he has given up all hope of recovery.

There is a negro graduate at Havard this year—Robert Hebberton Terrell, a Virginian, and the son of slave parents. He went to college as a waiter, and at that time was illiterate; but some of the white students took a fancy to him, and helped him through a preparatory course, after which he supported himself by teaching a Boston class of negro boys.

Next season foreign stars will have the field on this side the water. Irving, Ristori, Modjeska, Janauschek, Rhea, Wilson Barrett perhaps, and Mantell, Terriss and others, will come in with new pieces, but of all the native stars Lawrence Barrett alone is preparing a new play. It is called "Galileo."

FOR GORDON'S RELIEF.

An Armed Expedition to Start for Khartoum on July 28th.

A London cablegram says: The report which has been gaining currency the past few days that the preparation for a military expedition to Khartoum had been abandoned has been semi-officially denied. It is asserted that active efforts continue to be made to put everything in readiness. The expedition, it is said, will be *en route* by July 28th. A committee composed of Major-General Fielding, Quartermaster-General Harrison, Colonel Hamilton, and Commissary-General Young has been ordered to meet at Aldershot to report upon schemes for providing a water supply for the army while operating in the desert. Orders have been sent to Cairo to echelon the whole Egyptian army under General Sir Evelyn Wood between Assouan and Wadyhalfa.

Late bills drawn by General Gordon on the Government have reached Cairo, but no letters. It is suspected that the letters, which must in all probability have been despatched, have been intercepted by men in the pay of certain officials at Cairo, who are secretly trying to thwart the action of the English.

The *Times* says that the friends of Gordon have made arrangements to send messengers to Khartoum with letters and copies of reports, and of the debates in Parliament on the Soudan question, and of the proceedings of various meetings at which the Government was urged to relieve him. Extracts from London and provincial press will also be sent for the purpose of showing Gordon that a large section of the public is in favor of military action to rescue him.

Men have arrived at Wadyhalfa from Dongola and report that Khartoum is strongly fortified and that there is an abundance of wheat there. The Nile is rising rapidly, and the rebels, fearing the arrival of the army from Cairo, are about to retire to Kordofan.

BERLIN, June 3.—The Cologne *Gazette* says that England has advanced to the Egyptiam Government £8,000,000 to balance the budget.

Another battalion of Egyptian troops has been ordered to Suakim, and the remainder of the marines at Port Said also start immediately for the same place.

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Dredging at the mouth of the Red River is to be commenced at once. This will improve the navigation of Lake Winnipeg.

Certain additional tracts of land in Manitoba have been set apart for school purposes. They are withdrawn from settlement.

McManus, the Calgary murderer, has been committed for trial for the murder of Buckskin Shorty.

The revised edition of the Old Testament is nearly completed, and will be published early in the autumn.

Give to a wounded heart seclusion. Neither consolation nor reason ever effected anything in such a case.

Sixty cigars for every man, woman or child were consumed in the United States last year.

A Madrid despatch says the Ministers have decided that seven of the fifteen members of the Black Hand Anarchist Society condemned to death shall be executed at Jerez. The others will suffer life-long servitude.

An extraordinary sentence has been passed upon the semi-lunatic Weissmanuver in Vienna. While a patient recently in one of the Vienna hospitals, he became unmanageable, broke away from his attendants, smashed a crucifix and trampled upon its fragments, and bitterly cursed the hospital officials. He was tried and convicted on a charge of blasphemy, and has been sentenced to nine years penal servitude.

A last night's Berlin despatch says the hernia from which Emperor William has for some time been suffering is becoming more stubborn and debilitating. It is said that although the aged Kaiser still insists upon maintaining the appearance of performing all his official military duties, the real work of receiving the necessary official visitors and performing the Imperial civic functions is now performed by the Crown Prince Frederick William.

Two hundred thousand herring were landed at one haul, recently, on the North-east river, Virginia.

The census report makes a very unfavorable showing for doctors, especially at the West. The average for the Western States and Territories is one doctor for each 524 of population, a proportion not equalled anywhere in the world.

The Wise Mother-in-Law.

She meeteth her son-in-law at the door when the new clock telleth fourteen, and he essayeth to let himself into the hall by unlocking the front gate with his watch key. And for this oftimes he feareth her.

She knoweth his ways and his tricks are not new to her. She is up to all his excuses, and when he sayeth he was detained down at the bank until the next morning;

Or, that the last car was gone, and he had to walk;

Or, that he was sitting up with a sick friend;

Or, that he was looking for his collar button;

Or, that he was drawn on the jury;

Or, that he had joined the astronomy class;

Or, that his books wouldn't balance;

Then doth she get onto him with both feet, for she sayeth within herself: "All these things hath his father-in-law said unto me, for lo, these many years. Lo, this is also vanity and vexation of spirit."

And for this he feareth her yet more and more.

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