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Successful Future. The universal opinion of the ablest men, the best judges, is that it had a good country. No Canadian city few years it has become a place of 30,000...

A LITTLE FUN. The Philadelphia News thinks that, between her flats and her sharp, New York is getting to be a dangerous place to live in...

Everything seems to move in a circle. While, for instance, the lawyers are looking up the authorities, the authorities are looking up the criminal, and the criminal in his turn has to look up the lawyers...

Seeing a company of immigrants riding through the streets, Brown spoke of a sandy-haired man in a Scotch cap as a descendant of Rob Roy. "And that other fellow in velvet," said Fogg, "what is he, a descendant of corduroy?"

Inquiring amateur—"How did Joseph acquire that fine, delicate touch, hardly more than a usual whisper?" Experienced professor—"I believe he did his practicing at home, and always had a wholesome dread of waking the baby."

Enthusiastic Professor of Physics, discussing the organic and inorganic kingdom: "Now, I should shut my eyes—and and drop my head—so—and should I move, you would say I was a cloud? But I move, I move, I leap, I run; and what do you call me?" Voice from the rear, "A cloud-hopper!" Class is dismissed.

The pawnbroker takes unusual interest in his business. The mariner who casts the sounding lead has great depth of feeling. No matter how high-priced roses may be, they can always be bought for a cent. It is astonishing how modest an empty pocketbook is. It shrinks from publicity.

A sound thrashing—The waters of Long Island in a storm—"Home sweet Home"—Where the children are pulling molasses candy.—The barber began talking with the man he was shaving, when the man "cut him short."

A green chap from the country, down in the city for a spree, walked into a dentist's office the other afternoon, and seated himself in the chair of torture. "Go ahead," he said to the gum-grinder; "I want to get full as quick as you can do it."

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During the last three years ivory has risen at least 100 per cent. in value, and pearl, which is also largely used in haught cutlery and other goods, has advanced very materially in the same period.

The Hon. Lawless on "Sentiment"

"I wish to displain," said Brother Gardner as he adjusted his spectacles and brushed up his front hair, "I wish to displain dat de Hon. Higginbottom Lawless, of Koscusko, Miss., an present in de aunty room an' burnin' to deliver his celebrated address on 'Sentiment.' He arrove heah three or four days ago, an' has finished his las' bar'l of apples, worn his Sunday-coat right along, an' will be a dead head on me till he k'n spoke dis piece an' cotch a mixed freight train gwine to Toledo. De committee will escort him, an' if dat waterpail an' upshot or any lamps knocked down dooin' his delivery de guilty wretch or wretches will receive a lesson dat will remain solid for a hundred y'ars."

The Hon. Lawless appeared with a pair of red mittens in one hand and a lemon in the other, and such was his placidity of mind that when he bit into one of the mittens in place of the lemon he never even changed color. He sized up five feet and six inches, intelligent expression, head cast in the shape of a pear, and feet large enough to trample an onion bed out of sight. He mounted the platform like a steer climbing a side-hill, bowed right and left in response to the applause, and quietly began:

"My fren, I cannot depress de pleasure an' gratificashun which I feel to fin' myself standin' heah under de sacred shingles of Paradise Hall—a structure whose name an household word wharever de English language greets de ear. [Applause.] I would rather stan' heah dan to be buried under a \$10,000 monument. [Cheers.] De subject ob my address an' Sentiment. What an sentiment? 'Whar do we get it, an' what an it w'as for de pound when de market an' not oberstocked? I answer dat sentiment an' a sort o' 'lasses an' mush surroundin' de heart. In some cases it hardens up an' turns to st'n, while in others it thins out until the heart fairly float in a pond o' sweetness. [Applause.] Sentiment has considerable to do wid ebry akshun in our ebry day life. It an bizness when you start out to borry a pan of flour or a basket ob taters. It an sentiment dat causes a naybur to lend, instead of de andin' spot cash. [Wild applause from Judge Cadaver.]

"Bizness akktuates de lazy an' de shiftless to sot out an' beg odd vittles an' old-clothes an dimes an quarters. Sentiment akktuates women tushed t'ar 'sober em an' stock 'em up wid nuff to loaf on fur another month. When we have a kickin' hoss our sentiment an' pealed to. We argy dat de safety of our loved ones requires us to trade dat amiable off to some preacher who wants a jerky reliable hoss. Dat's one kind of sentiment. When we buy an excursion ticket to Niagara Falls, an' reach de grand cetract arter a thirty hours' sweat on cattle cars, de immense waste of water 'peals to another sort o' sentiment. When we luv we reveal another phase of sentiment. If de gal an' high-toned an' rich de sentiment an' all solid. If she an' only aiver ge, an' in debt fur her las' corset, de sentiment an' purty th'n an' won' last longer dan de first bill fur meat comes in. [Cries of "You bet!"]

"My frens, sentiment writes poetry wid one hand an' tans de backs of de chill'en wid de ooder. It guides our thoughts to frens ober de sea, an' sends old clothe to relashun in Wisconsin. It makes us shed tears fur de dead, an' yit warns us to cut de undertaker's bill down twenty per cent. Sentiment tells us to love our fellow men, an' yit whispers to us to lock our doahs an' place torpedoes in our hen-roosts. [Groans.] I have been lookin' into de matter fur de las' forty-eight y'ars, an' I has cum to de conclusion dat it was a wise thing to purvide de human race wid sentiment. If it had bin left out by any accident in de mixin' de bes' man among us wouldn't have rot a bid if put up by achesun along wid a lot of feneposts. I could talk to you fur three straight weeks on dis subject, but observin' dat my half hour an' up I will chop off right heah an' hope dat it may be my pleasure at some fuchar day to meet you agin. Any fusson who wants his fortune told will find me in de aunty-room fur de nex' two hours." [Cheers and yells.]

Japanese Wrestlers.

There are at Tomioka several small temples, but of only local interest. One there is dedicated to the god of strength, and is venerated by the mother of weakly children or children suffering from sickness. Oadsuma Sama is the strong god. On this feast day celebrated wrestlers congregate here and contest the championship. They are almost entirely without clothing, offering their bare bodies only to the grasp of their opponents.

It is a sight that would delight the fancy wrestlers of the western world to witness these chaps tug at each other for the mastery. As they take their places preparatory to the trial of strength and skill they place themselves in a partially squatting position, their limbs wide apart, and slap first one leg and then the other at the same time raising the foot and leg, and then bringing it (the foot) down again with an energy and force that portends a determination that their feet shall not be tripped from under them. They then squat facing each other, and upon a signal, spring upon one another as they rise, catching such hold as they are able. Such wrestling never came under our observation elsewhere. The style is peculiar to Japan, and appears to be more a demonstration of power than skill, as they make heavy work of it, sweating and steaming as men only do when putting forth their utmost strength. Some heavy falls are sustained, while it can hardly be seen how the thing was accomplished.

They Forgot the Corps.

A few weeks since an old woman, upward of ninety years of age, died at a place called Eglington, near Londonderry. The usual arrangements for a funeral were made, including a wake. The coffin was closed and taken to the place of interment, service gone through, the coffin lowered, and the grave filled in. On returning home, however, the relatives were amazed to find the corpse of the old woman lying on the bed upon which she had expired. They had simply forgotten to put her in the coffin. They took her to the grave in a cart, dug up the empty coffin, placed her in it, and eventually had her securely planted.

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