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Grand Clearing Sale of Dry Goods, Millinery, Mantles, Boots and Shoes, &c, to commence 2nd July, and continue One Month only.

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Acton, June, 1875.

Musings with Cupid. Go tell her how the story old, Go whisper these golden tidings; Go tell her how I love her, Now bring me gentle chidings.

Frightening Children. Nothing can be worse for a child than to be frightened. The effect of the scare is slow to recover from; it remains sometimes until maturity, as is shown by many instances of morbid sensitiveness and excessive nervousness.

Badly Sold. "Dad," said a hopeful spirit, "how many fowls are there on the table?" "Why," said the old gentleman, as he looked complacently on a pair of finely roasted chickens, that were smoking on the dinner table.

A FATHER SHOTS HIS SON. On the eighth instant, Thos. Ransom, of Paisley, went to the house of his son, John H. Ransom, in Glasgow, about two in the afternoon, when he met the latter driving a load of stone, apparently toward the village.

FACTS WORTH REMEMBERING. One thousand shingles laid four inches to the weather will cover one hundred square feet of surface, and five pounds of shingle nails will fasten them on.

How to Keep Meat Fresh a Long Time.

There is no good reason why farmers and their families should eat so much salt pork, leaving all the fresh meat to the inhabitants of cities, towns and villages, when the following method will keep meat fresh for weeks, even in the warmest weather.

THE THREAD OF LIFE. An interesting fact has just been discovered at Wilmington, Del., where the possession of a large property turned on the decision of the question whether a baby, which was indisputably dead, a few minutes after it was born, had during these few minutes sufficient life to give it a legal existence.

It may interest some of our young ladies to know that thirty-one young ladies in Warsaw, Kentucky, have signed a new kind of pledge, which reads: "We the undersigned ladies of Warsaw, desiring by our example to promote economy and discourage extravagance, and thereby lighten in some measure the burdens of our husbands and fathers by prudent retrenchment in our household expenses, therefore pledge our words of honor each to the other, that we will not during a period of one year from the 1st of May, 1875, purchase any material for wearing apparel the cost of which shall exceed twenty-five cents per yard.

This year the Southern Counties of California sent to San Francisco 5,380,000 oranges, 626,000 lemons, and 80,000 limes. The consumption of California is about 10,000,000 oranges a year, and 3,000,000 are brought from Mexico and the Pacific Isles.

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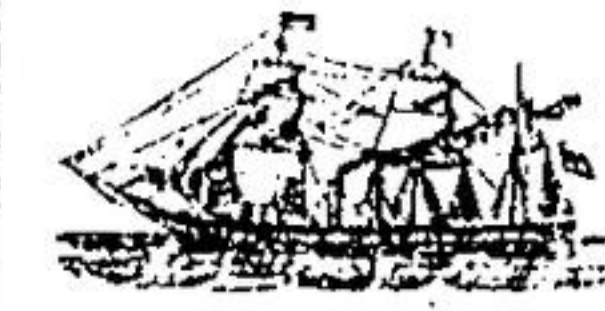
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Acton, July 1st 1875.

A Matrimonial Creed.

Whoever will be married, before all things it is necessary that he hold the conjugal faith, and the conjugal faith is this: that there were two persons being created, both equal, and yet one superior to the other. The inferior shall bear rule over the superior, which faith, except every one do keep whole and undivided, without doubt he shall be scolded during life.

For there is one dominion nominal of the husband, and another dominion real of the wife, and yet there are two dominions, but one dominion.

Furthermore, it is necessary to subscribe matrimony that he also believe in the infallibility of the wife.

For the right faith is, that we believe in infallible and perfectly infallible, of our creator, soul and unerring mind, infallible, faithful, or touching her human nature, and infallible, as touching her female sex.

Who, though she be fallible and infallible, yet she is not two but one woman, who submitted to lawful marriage to acquire unlawful dominion, and promised religious obedience, that she might rule in folly and in justice.

This is the conjugal faith, which except a man believe faithfully, he ought never to be married.

Improving one's time—mending the clock. "Keep them alive, by," said an old physician to some young doctors; "keep them alive, dead men pay no bills."

Although nequelees are born of poor parents, they have in their veins some of the best blood in the country.

What is that which occurs once in a minute, twice in a moment, and not once in a hundred years? The letter M.

"Tom," said one little boy to another, "does your schoolmaster ever give you any rewards of merit?" "I suppose he does," was the reply; "he gives me a thrashing regularly every day, and says I merit two."

"My dear husband," said a devoted wife, "why will you not leave off smoking? It is such an odious practice, and makes your breath stink."

Two good natured Irishmen, on a certain occasion, occupied the same bed. In the morning one of them enquired of the other, "Brennan, did you hear the thunder last night?" "No, Pat, but did it really thunder?" "Yes, it thundered as if heaven and earth would come together."

A joke is told of a certain Dublin professor—a stickler for ventilation, being put in a room in a hotel with another guest, he asked the latter to raise the window as the air was close.

The subscriber begs to return his thanks to the inhabitants of Acton and surrounding country for the liberal patronage bestowed on him, and at the same time to tell their further support.

At a school examination a clergyman made a brief address to the pupils on the necessity of obeying their teachers and of growing up loyal and useful citizens.

Coal Tar as Paint.—Coal tar is coming into very general use as a paint. Two coats applied to shingles or outbuildings effectually prevent the wood from decaying.

Who is that who is the condition of the house better than the speaker, promptly replied, "To hide the dirt, sir."

Gems of Thought.

Counting joy as an satisfaction behind it to those who reflect when it is over; and it in no wise profits mind or body.

The habit of being always employed is a safeguard through life, as well as essential to the culture of every virtue.

How many thank to atone for the evil they have done by the good they intend to do, and are only virtuous in the prospective.

If you would win success, be punctual, courteous, honest, economical, accessible in your personal habits, and respectful of your health.

A benevolent man is a happy man; he cannot be otherwise, for it is a universal law of nature to be made happy by making others so.

It is impossible that anything so natural, so necessary, and so universal as death should ever have been designed by Providence as an evil to mankind.

Life is made up not of great sacrifices or duties, but of little things, in which smiles and kindness and small obligations given habitually are what win and preserve the heart, and secure comfort.

Look on the bright side of things, for man is so unhappy as those who are for ever thinking how hard their lot is, and how much better off are others. Think of those who have less, and they will be joyous.

Let every dawn of morning be to you as the beginning of life, and every setting of the sun as its close; then let every one of these short lives leave its record of some kindly thing done for others, some goodly strength or knowledge gained for yourself.

Do good to all men, as you have opportunity. Deal out kindness and love with an untroubled heart. The cause you understand and care search out. If you cannot find happiness by direct search, try another plan. Make others happy, and see if that does not make you truly blessed.

What Drunkenness Does. We believe we are safe in saying that many cases of drunkenness are the authors of untold misery to the human family.

How to Catch a Sheep. This is a right way to do everything. Climb up to the top of the hill, and then let the sheep follow you. The sheep will follow you to the top of the hill, and then let the sheep follow you.

God Made the Country, MAY MAKE THE TOWN. The following pretty sentiment is from the New York Tribune: "It is no good to be a country boy in a town."

An impassioned swim, under a hot spell, wrote: "Mary, I love the sea." She replied that she was glad he didn't drink liquor.

A dear old Yankee lady being asked if she had ever had her ears pierced by the will of distress, said she couldn't just exactly remember, but she believed it was done with a shemker'sawl.

A singer, applying for an engagement, wrote to a manager: "I am a good musician, and play music at parties." "Well," said the manager, "she may play by notes, but she certainly spells by ear."

The DIRT WILL CURE OUR.—There is a trite but nevertheless true saying, that "bringing up is nothing, but will tell," and when we occasionally witness the late and malignant outbreak and hypercritical lying propensity of some local ignorants, who are being stirred in public, that with the respectable associations frequently afforded us by the individual through misapprehended prestige of position, his bird-in-the-bone disease and animosity, is not to be overcome by contact with this noble element of mankind.

Value and Influence of Newspapers. An experienced and observant school teacher says of them: "I have found it to be the universal fact, without exception, that those scholars of both sexes, and of all ages, who have had access to newspapers at home, when compared to those who have not, are better readers, excelling in punctuation and consequently reading more understandingly."

They are better spellers, and devote words with ease and accuracy. They obtain a practical knowledge of geography in almost half the time it requires others, as the newspaper has made them familiar with the most important places, nations, their governments and doings on the face of the globe.

They are better grammarians; for having become so familiar with every variety in the newspaper, from the common place advertisement to the formal and official creation of the statesman, they more readily comprehend the meaning of the text, and consequently analyze the constructions with accuracy."

Missionary Societies Statistics.—Certain statistics have been published recently in religious papers which seem to go far to prove that confidence in the Missionary societies of England has not diminished in the hands of their supporters, that is, in the strength of the convictions of these persons may be gauged by the amount of money with which they are ready to back their opinions.

The five chief missionary societies supported by English Protestants receive, in the aggregate, more than half a million sterling annually to enable them to carry on their work. The following are the receipts of these five societies during the past year: The Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, £131,521; the Church Missionary Society, £175,833; the London Missionary Society, £103,440; the Baptist Missionary Society, £46,121; the Wesleyan Missionary Society, £14,029; total, £569,217.

It is understood that the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel has never before received such a sum in any one year. The Wesleyan Missionary Society, as usual, heads the list, but the two Councils of England receive, in the aggregate, together, a larger sum than any other, which represent the undivided action of the whole Wesleyan body.

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