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A GOOD square meal in San Francisco costs but twenty cents. W. E. Brand says he is going to bring home several of them.

A MEDICAL journal of repute advocates eating something just before retiring at night. That's our idea, a quarter of a mince pie, a good cup of old Java and a piece of Vermont sage cheese to start with.

GET ready for the "glorious Fourth," by laying in a good supply of patience, and above all don't forget you were boys once yourselves, who loved fire-crackers, and the whanging, banging noise of tin pans, fish horns, as well as your neighbors' children of today.

THE papers are full of discussions of the question: "Is there a glut of preachers?" Pastor Johnson evidently has positive opinions on the subject and pronounces an emphatic "No" in the shape of a junior Presbyterian parson over at the house—10 pounds avoirdupois and doing well.

THE city council will meet next Tuesday evening, and as it has but one regular meeting per month, and has a full docket, a lively time may be expected. We trust the heat of the day won't keep the aldermen away from the meeting till half-past eight o'clock, and then spend nearly an hour reading records.

OUR versatile neighbor Mrs. Lucy Allen, calls our attention to the idea of sewing society women being gossips. She says it is not so in the society in her church and she don't think they do in the Baptist church; furthermore she thinks it's awful wicked to scandalize good women in that way. So do we sincerely hope they will give no more occasion for it.

THE folly of killing the goose that lays the golden eggs, had a fine illustration in those hackmen who having engaged to work for the Exmoor club, violated their agreement and began charging their passengers big fare up to the grounds. The result was President Alexander and S. M. Millard secured the hackmen for that day and now won't allow those people on the club grounds at all. Served them right. It may result in the club putting in its own line of hacks for the protection of its members and friends.

THE News did not quite catch Mr. Montgomery's idea of a special call bell system for police in the night. It was to have a gong mounted on the central telephone building so that when anyone rings in for special police the night hello boy could touch the gong button and ring the police and then tell him where he was wanted and what for and then could mount his wheel and dash away on the sidewalks to the scene and thus surprise and arrest the miscreants. That's a good scheme and about all the expense it would entail would be the gong and wire to connect. Let it be set up at once.

WE heard a father giving directions for the vacation studies of his son, that he be put through a course of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division every day, saying to the mother. "Every boy who adds large, long columns of figures quickly and accurately every time, and subtracts multiplies and divides in the same way, can always get a place in an office or store." And sure enough, there is always a place for such boys, because so few boys can do that; especially in the matter of

adding long columns of figures quickly and accurately every time. Just see how a bank official or competent bank clerk will do it. Hence this man wanted his son put through a rigid course of adding long columns every day. It was a wise father who gave these directions and the son will be wise if he obeys them.

A GOOD PLAN.

Mrs. Sarah Flower, of the Chicago school board, makes a plea for manual training in the public schools on the unique ground that the children do best in their studies and make the most of themselves in after life, who have something to interest them in their many leisure hours. The children of cultivated parents have books and papers and music, and so learns to read, etc., which takes up their spare time, while the children of other parents do not learn to read books and papers out of school, and if they do read it is likely to be cheap trash and injurious to the child. She wants manual training, so the boys will have something to do out of school, and something they will love to do also. Of course the manual training fits them to earn a livelihood also. This kind of teaching is coming and some of the senseless fads are going.

Our friend at Glenmore is in the midst of his strawberry season. He reports a large crop of very fine fruit. He picks berries measuring five inches in circumference and five or six of his berries fill a tumbler. Every one in the family from sire to the baby eats all he wants and so six quarts go daily. He sells more and gives away but few. He says anyone can have all the strawberries his family may need if only he do the needful work of spading, hoeing, weeding and watering. By planting early and late varieties he has them through the season. We can say amen to all neighbor Moore's statements. For genuine standbys, we prefer the sharpless, only it demands plenty of sugar.

The town of Deerfield official board met Monday and Wednesday to hear complaints on account of the assessors' work. Several parties were there, too, and expressed their minds.

Butterick's patterns at Miss Erskine's.