Buying an Overcoat in Detroit.

Yesterday morning a tall young man of 20 landed at the Union depot with a bundle under his arm, and after three or four minutes spent in getting his bearings he walked up Jeffer on avenue and turned into a clothing store.

"Do you wish to try on some coats and wests for a dollar?" asked the proprietor, as he rushed from behind the counter.

"No, I guess not. Do you deal on the square?"

"My frent, dot is exactly vhat I does. I vas so quare dot I lose $2,000 last year. Can I sell you an overcoat for ten dollar?"

"No, I guess not. Here is an overcoat that I bought of you four weeks ago."

"Bought of me?"

"Yes, I think you are the man. When I got it home we found that it was moth eaten. I can pick it to pieces in a dozen places."

"Is dot possible! Und how much do you pay?"

"Eight dollars."

"My shtars! And vhat you vant now?"

"I want my money back."

"Vhell—vhell. My frent, I am sorry for you. You seem like an honest poy, and it vhas too bad!"

"Yes, it was a swindle, and I want my money back."

"Dear me, but I vish you vhas here yesterday. Let me oxplain to you. You bought dot coat four weeks ago?"

"Yes, four weeks to-day."

"Vhell, I had sold oudt to my cousin Philip shust one day before. Philip ish not a square man."

"What have I got to do with Philip?"

"Let me explain. In dree days Philip makes assignment to my brudder Louis. Dot Louis is a leetle off. He would sheat your eye teeth away from you."

"Yes, but I haven't anything to do with Louis."

"Let me oxplain. Louis kept de place a week, und he gif a shattel mortgage to my fadder-law, and vhas bounced out."

"I don't know anything about that."

"Let me oxplain. My fadder-law was took mit a fit and died, and he leaf dis blace to my wife. My wife was gone to Europe for two years, and she leaf me as agent. Now you see how it was. I gan not tell you who sold dot coat. Maybe it vhas Philip, may be Louis, may be my fadder-law. It couldn't haf been me, for I vhas in Shicago. If you leaf dot coat I will write to my wife. She is square, shust like me, and may be she writes back dot you can take a linen duster and two white vests and call it all right."

"Say, this is a sneaking swindle," exclaimed the young man.

"May be it vhas. Philip vhas a great liar."

"I'll go to the police!"

"Vhell, dot is all right: maybe der police vhill help me catch Louis. I shust found oudt last night dot he cut all der hind buttons off all der coats in der store before he left."

"If you'll step outdoors I'll mash you!"

"Vhell, I like to oblige you, but you see I was only agent for my wife."

"Well, you'll hear from me again, and don't you forget it!" said the victim as he went out.

"I hope so—I hope so. I like to make it right. I vhas only agent for my wife, but I feel so square dot I take dot coat back for $3 if you vhant to trade it out in paper collars."

Stone, Bronze, and Iron Ages.

Prehistoric archæology advances rapidly. It is not so very long ago since Worsaae's epoch-making book first firmly established the primitive division of the early autumn past into the three ages of stone, of bronze, and of iron. Then came the discoveries of Boucher de Perthes and others, systematized by Lyell, which resulted in the recognition of that still earlier stone period described by Sir John Lubbock as paleolithic. Since that date the archæologists of France and England have advanced to a regular classification in order of time of the vast heterogeneous collection of human remains belonging to the elder stone age; but the results of their researches have hardly yet obtained sufficient general recognition outside the restricted scientific circle. It is probable that most cultivated people still continue mentally to divide the prehistoric period into three ages of stone, bronze, and iron, and to subdivide the first-named age into a paleolithic and neolithic epoch. In reality such a division, though practically convenient, is grotesquely disproportionate. The so-called stone age is made to extend over an enormous lapse of time, and to include portions of the geological tertiary period, the whole of the quaternary, and part of the recent; while the small remainder of the recent period is handed over to the bronze and iron ages. This scheme is almost as absurd as a division of English history into the Victorian, the Georgian, and the pre-Georgian epochs, the last-named being subdivided once more i = to the Anglo-Saxon and Elizabethan periods. French archæologists have far more correctly recognized six main divisions of prehistoric time, the first five being equivalent to what we ordinarily describe as the paleolithic age, and the sixth comprising the neolithic, bronze, and iron ages, or the "recent" period of geologists. It is only by such a stricter and more chronologically accurate subdivision that we can properly appreciate the great slowness of human evolution in its earlier stages, and the vast lapse of time covered by the so-called paleolithic period.

George Law's Beginning.

George Law, who died a millionaire the other day, began life in Troy, N. Y., without a friend in the world. One day, while passing along River street, a hod-carrier who [illegible] carrying bricks for the masons on an unfinished building fell from the ladder and broke his leg. Young Law stepped up to the foreman and said: "Can I have that man's place?" "Did you every carry a hod?" asked the foreman. "No." "You will break your leg, and perhaps your neck." "I will run the risk," said George Law, and from this beginning he became one of the wealthiest builders in the United States, always "running risks," but for many years everything he touched turned into gold.

Sugar.

It is calculated that taking one year with another, the total sugar-production of the globe is not less than 5,820,000 tons, apportioned as follows—British India, 1,500,000 tons; Cuba and Porto Rico, 700,000 tons; Demerara and the West Indies, 250,000; China, 250,000; the Dutch Indies, 220,000; the French colonies of Martinque, etc., 175,000; Brazil, 130,000; Louisiana (United States), 125,000; the Mauritius, 125,000; the Philippine Isles, 120,000; Egypt, 75,000; Peru, 55,000; the Spanish colonies other than Cuba, and the Philippines, 50,000; Mexico, 35,000; and other countries, 140,000. The production of beet-root sugar is said to be 1,670,000 tons (Germany 500,000, France 425,000, Austria 410,000, Russia 225,000, and Belgium and Holland 110,000), and of sugar made from other saccharine matter 150,000 tons. The United States consume 41·75 lb. of sugar per head of the population, as compared to 62lb. per head in this country. In Germany the consumption is only 19lb. per head, and in Russia no more than 7lb.

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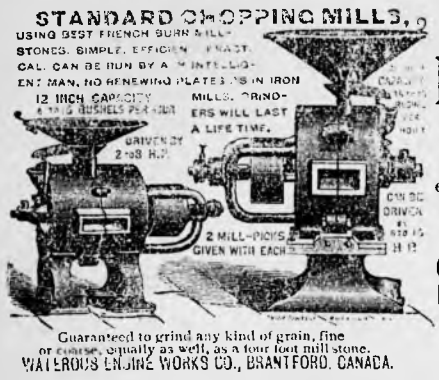

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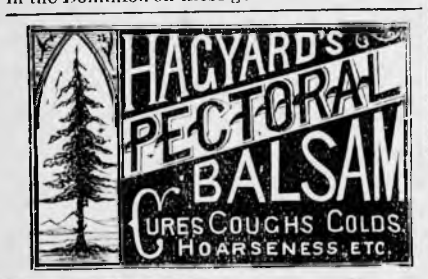

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