

PASSING EVENTS.

The wine product for 1885 is estimated at 15,000,000 gallons. The old Cincinnati postoffice is to be rebuilt at Eden park for an art school. A Danbury, Conn., man swallowed a live frog several days ago for two bottles of beer. A proposition has been made to erect a monument to Gen. Grant in Buffalo, N. Y., by popular subscription. The last blow to the roller-skating rink has been given by a Philadelphia physician, who says that roller-skating enlarges the feet. The Japanese have adopted the bicycle, and it has become popular there, but the Chinese seem wholly incapable of comprehending it. It is now claimed that birds as nearly as possible imitate the nests in which they were reared, and bring to the work a sort of rudimentary education. Prof. L. E. Richards, the Yale pedestrian, has walked nineteen hundred miles thus far this year for pleasure. Last year he made twenty-one hundred. The Pennsylvania Railroad company is soon to open at Allegheny, for the use of its employes, a library, reading-room, bath-rooms, and an assembly hall. Fifteen thousand people at the opening of the Chautauqua school, which indicates that as a popular summer resort the school is fast taking the place of the camp meeting. In a recent issue of a well-known French journal appeared the following advertisement: "Wanted, a distinguished and healthy looking man to be 'cured patient' in a doctor's waiting-room. Address, etc." As two men were fishing in a mill-pond at Valatie, Columbia county, New York, the other day, they saw a crocodile about six feet long crawl into the water. It was put into the pond six years ago, when small. The tribal government of the Cherokees is democratic in form, with an elective chief magistrate and an upper and lower house of representatives. The judiciary is also elective, and criminals are punished after the manner of the whites. In a communication to the Academie des Sciences, M. Duclaux states the presence of micro-organisms in the earth is essential to the germination of seed. His experiments were made with plants whose seeds grow on the surface as well as those which develop in the ground. In Tenejapa, Oaxaca, Mexico, the Indian residents are more sanguinary than the Chinese in the administration of justice. They surrounded the houses of seven well-known robbers, and burned them alive in their houses. When the militia arrived they only found a heap of ashes. Tracing-paper may be made by immersing best tissue paper in a bath composed of turpentine and bleached beeswax. A piece of beeswax an inch in diameter dissolved in half a pint of turpentine is said to give good results. The paper should be allowed to dry for two or three days before using it. Within a few days 180 omnibuses have been sold at auction in New York. The hundred sold at the Madison square stables went as low as an average of \$30, and one brought only \$15. At a later sale eighty Fifth avenue stages brought an average of \$60 each. At these prices they were cheap for the use of camping-out parties or traveling photographers. Our English Cousins. LONDON.—In a recent trademark suit it was shown by sworn evidence that over nine million bottles of St. Jacobs Oil had been sold here during the past few years. Leading chemists certify that the sale of this remedy exceeds that of all others, and that it is being recognized as the best pain-cure ever discovered. In serious rheumatism it has accomplished astonishing results. For its private work the Bank of Devil's Lake, Dakota, has adopted a rather peculiar but very suggestive vignette. The base is a sheaf of wheat, on which rests a silver dollar, over the back of which Satan is climbing, holding in one hand the scales of justice and in the other a lance. At his left is a map of the lake, which forms the place for writing the amount of draft or check, on which are the words, "Give the devil his due." A few days ago a Watervliet, N. Y., farmer was induced by a stranger to act as agent for a wire fence, signing what he was told was an agent's certificate. Soon after two men visited him and showed him a paper, the one he had signed. It was a contract to purchase \$5,000 worth of wire. He invited the men into his barn, where he snatched the paper from the hands of the one that held it and drove both from the premises with a pitchfork. It is said that three or four thicknesses of common wire mosquito-netting, painted or unpainted, and laid upon one another, are utterly impervious to lightning. No substance, whether liquid or solid, however combustible, inflammable, or explosive, that is protected by a covering of this material, can possibly suffer in anywise from lightning or from any accidental spark or jet of flame from without. As a torpedo was being lowered into an oil well near Richburg, N. Y., Saturday, the oil suddenly rose in the well, and throwing the torpedo against the bull-wheel, it was exploded, completely demolishing the derrick, boiler, and engine-houses. The men saved their lives by running and throwing themselves on the ground as soon as they heard the oil rushing. All the dishes in a house near by were broken by the shock, and the house was badly wrecked.

Helpless Upon a Friendless Sea!

Who, in taking passage in a great trans-Atlantic steamer, does not feel a thrill of exultation over her magnificent power. Against her the storm King may hurl his elemental forces, nor pierce her armor, nor stop her onward course. But let me describe a scene when, one morning in mid-ocean, there came an alarm from the pilot house followed by a cry: "The ship's rudder is lost!" From the confident expression, consternation came to every face. The wheelman being helpless to direct her course, the vessel was at the mercy of wind and wave. The captain had been negligent—the hangings of the rudder were allowed to wear weak, and suddenly it had dropped deep into the sea! Strong in intellect, in physical vigor in energy and ambition, man confronts undaunted gigantic tasks and commands applause for his magnificent achievements. But, all unexpectedly, an alarm comes—the rudder of his constitution is gone. He has been careless of its preservation; mental strain, nervous excitement, irregular habits, overwork, have destroyed the action of his kidneys and liver. This would not occur were Warner's safe cure used to obtain vigor. And even now it may restore vitality to those organs and give back to the man that which will lead him to the haven of his ambition.—The Traveler.

Admiral Kennedy, of England, who served in the civil war in America is dead.

A Saloon-Keeper's Luck.

Mr. J. D. Jinks of Brookland, Ark., a town distant some ninety miles from this city, on the Texas and St. Louis narrow gauge railroad, has been in the city for two or three days, buying a stock of liquors, cigars, etc. A Ledger reporter learned that Mr. Jinks was the holder of one-fifth of ticket No. 48,954, which drew the second capital prize of \$25,000 in the last drawing of the Louisiana State Lottery, and questioned him concerning his streak of good luck and what he intended doing with it. "Yes, I bought the ticket in this city, and was somewhat surprised at the result. I have bought tickets before, but the investment has always met with poor returns." When asked if he intended giving up his present business and embarking in some other on a larger scale, the gentleman smiled and answered that he would only add the amount to his sinking fund, and continue business at the old stand. The \$5,000 was collected through the German National Bank of this city. Mr. Jinks is a pleasant and agreeable gentleman, and does not snub any of his former friends on account of his good fortune.—Memphis (Tenn.) Ledger, July 29.

Carl Schurz is at Elberon, N. J., writing the life of Henry Clay.

What "Old Fritz" Said.

It was an aphorism of Frederick the Great's that "Facts are divine things." An undisputed fact is that Dr. Pierce's "Golden Medical Discovery" is the most powerful liver vitalizer extant, and by its characteristic and searching action will cure dyspepsia, constipation, dropsy, kidney disease, sick head-ache, and other maladies which, popular opinion to the contrary notwithstanding, are directly traceable to a diseased condition of the liver, by which its work as purifier of the blood is made incomplete. All druggists.

Cardinal Guibert, the archbishop of Paris, is dying.

"Oh! But I Salivated Him!"

was the actual exclamation of an honest physician, spoken of one of his patients to whom he had given calomel for the cure of biliousness and a diseased liver. And he had salivated him for certain, from which he never recovered. All these distressing consequences are avoided by the use of Dr. Pierce's "Pleasant Purgative Pellets," a purely vegetable remedy that will not salivate, but produce the most pleasing effect, invigorate the liver, cure headache, dyspepsia, biliousness, constipation and piles. By druggists.

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John H. Reagan positively declines to run for governor of Texas.

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Farmers that try to sell white butter are all of the opinion that dairying does not pay. If they would use Wells, Richardson & Co.'s Improved Butter Color, and market their butter in perfect condition, they would still get good prices, but it will not pay to make any but the best in color and quality. This color is used by all the leading creameries and dairymen, and is sold by druggists and merchants.

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Perry Davis' Pain-Killer is an excellent regulator of the stomach and bowels, and should always be kept on hand, especially at this season of the year, when so many suffer from bowel complaints. There is nothing so quick to relieve in attacks of cholera.

Hon. Julius Converse, ex-governor of Vermont, is dead.

Rheumatism of the heart and all forms of Heart Disease yield to the use of DR. GRAVES' HEART REGULATOR. Those that use it praise it. Free pamphlet of F. E. Ingalls, Cambridge, Mass. \$1.00 per bottle at druggists.

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DOMESTIC HINTS.

PREPARING FRUITS FOR CANNING. Boil tomatoes twenty minutes, add a little salt; can hot. Boil ripe currants six minutes; amount of sugar to a quart, eight ounces.

Boil Siberians, or crab-apples, whole twenty-five minutes; eight ounces of sugar to a quart. Boil peaches whole fifteen minutes, using six ounces of sugar to a quart.

Boil pears from twenty to thirty minutes—twenty for halves and thirty for whole pears—using six ounces of sugar to a quart can of fruit.

Boil whortleberries five minutes. The amount of sugar to a quart jar should be four ounces.

Boil plums ten minutes; eight ounces of sugar to a quart is needed.

Boil blackberries six minutes with six ounces of sugar to the quart. Raspberries six minutes, with four ounces of sugar to the quart.

Boil cherries five minutes; the amount of sugar to a quart is six ounces.

Fruit cans ought to be tightened both before and after the fruit cools. Never use poor rubbers if you want your fruit to keep well. The best cans have porcelain tops. Keep canned fruit in a dark, cool place in the cellar. A plain board cupboard (in the cellar) with doors is just the thing to keep fruit in. Swing shelves in the cellar is no place for fruit. Fruit gets too much light and sometimes takes a fall, and great is the fall thereof, as well as great waste of fruit and time. Avoid all such calamities. Have a cupboard for your fruit. Any man or boy that is handy with tools can make one good enough to put in a dark corner of your cellar. I can assure you it will pay well for the trouble. Fruit kept in the dark retains its flavor better. Try it and judge for yourself.

RIPE CUCUMBER PICKLES. Take large yellow cucumbers, pare and take out the seeds and cores, soak in salt and water two days. Then take them out of the brine, pour over them boiling water, and let them stand over night. Pour off this water and they are ready for the pickle, which prepare thus: For each quart of sharp vinegar take two and a half large cups sugar and one tablespoonful each of the following spices: Cinnamon, cloves, allspice, black pepper and nutmeg. Add a cup of raisins; scald all together until the cucumbers are easily penetrated with a fork.

GREEN CUCUMBER PICKLES. Put the cucumbers in a stone jar, sprinkle salt over them; then pour boiling water over, just enough to cover when a weight is laid on them; let them stand until thoroughly cold, or over night; drain dry and pour over sharp vinegar seasoned with cinnamon, cloves and pepper, adding sugar to make them taste nice and sweet. Put horse radish leaves on top of the pickles.

SWEET PICKLES—PEACHES AND PLUMS. Put the fruit in stone jars, cover with a syrup made as follows: Three and one-half pounds of sugar, one quart of the best vinegar, two ounces stick cinnamon, two ounces cloves, the whole boiled together and thrown over the fruit hot for three successive days. Keep in a cool dark place well covered.

SPICED CURRANTS. Four quarts ripe currants, three and one-half pounds brown sugar, one pint vinegar, one tablespoon allspice, one tablespoon cloves and a little nutmeg. Boil slowly nearly an hour stirring occasionally.

MOLDS. Fruit jellies may be preserved from moldiness by covering the surface one-fourth of an inch deep with pulverized sugar.

PRESERVED CURRANTS. Get your currants when they are dry; to every pound of currants put a pound of sugar in a preserving pan, with as much juice as will dissolve it. When it boils, skim and put in your currants. Boil till the juice jellies. Can while hot or the same as any can ned fruit. This is nice for tarts.

TOMATO CATSUP. Cut your tomatoes, boil soft and rub them through a wire sieve. To four quarts of pulp add one tablespoonful salt, one teaspoon black pepper, one-half teaspoon cayenne pepper, one-half teaspoonful cinnamon, one-half teaspoonful cloves, and sugar to suit the taste. When nearly done add a little good strong vinegar. Boil three hours. Bottle and cork tight, seal the corks with sealing wax.

CHOW-CHOW. Two gallons of green tomatoes, sliced without peeling, sprinkle salt plentifully over them, stand over night, drain dry as possible, and add twelve good-sized onions sliced, two quarts of good vinegar, two pounds of sugar, two tablespoons each of ground mustard and allspice, one tablespoon of cloves, one tablespoon of black pepper; mix all thoroughly, cook until tender, but not soft enough to fall to pieces.

PICKLING RIPE TOMATOES. To one gallon of ripe tomatoes, peeled, add two tablespoonfuls of mustard, two of black pepper, two of allspice, one of salt, one of cloves; all the seasoning must be ground; cover them with vinegar, let them scald but not boil three hours. Be sure to select good, firm tomatoes for pickling.

PICKLED PEARS. Pare and halve the fruit; take seven pounds of fruit, three pounds of sugar, one quart of vinegar, one ounce of whole cloves, one ounce of stick cinnamon; put all together and boil slowly for a short time. This recipe is good for either pears peaches or plums.

Rather Lose Life Than Limb.

From the Boston Herald. Miss Lena Solvel is a Swede, 22 years of age, employed as a domestic in the family of Mr. Adams, 223 West Newton street. About 9:30 o'clock last evening, while returning from Roxbury on the East Boston horse car, she alighted at the corner of Tremont and West Newton streets, when a Brooklyn car going the opposite direction ran over her left knee and thigh. She was taken to the City Hospital, where it was decided that she could not live unless the injured limb was amputated. She positively refused to have it taken off, arguing that she was poor and friendless, and had rather die at once than be a cripple for life. She was perfectly cool and collected, and, although suffering severe pain, seemed as calm and reasonable as philosophically about the removal of her injured member as if it was one of the most trivial matters possible. As the physicians have no authority to force her decision, she will probably die, in case she does not change her mind.

The Failing Connecticut.

New York Journal of Commerce. The Connecticut river, given over to the timber-drivers, has become a canal. Reefs are blasted out. Bulkheads are built to turn the current into the central channels. The melting snows, no longer held back in the spongy mosses of the forests, and the spring rains, are hurried swiftly down in freshets which destroy property in the lower country. The freshets are utilized to bring down every spring the timber from thousands of acres, where no pine wood will ever grow again. The summer comes, hot and dry, with low water in the rivers, which were formerly full all the summer from the slow drain out of the dark shades in the upper country. The natural reservoirs, which thus gave out slowly their reservoirs of water, are gone, and all the water comes down with a rush after every rain. Manufacturing companies everywhere have found it necessary to make artificial reservoirs to take the place of the lost natural reservoirs. Hills that were once forest-covered are bleak masses of rock, growing drier year by year. If there was ever an instance of killing the goose that lays golden eggs, it is in this method of treating our northern forests. In hundreds of valleys, where water was abundant in former years, the water line in the ground is now below the reach of ordinary wells. The tendency is toward that condition which in a century or two will compel a resort to irrigation for ordinary agricultural purposes.

A "Scoop" Hotel Clerk.

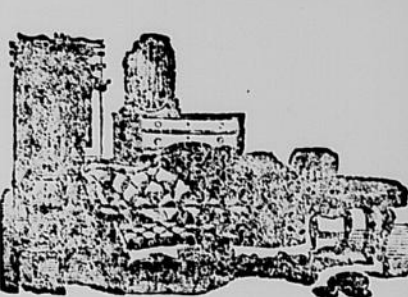
That even autoerats of the hotel office are sometimes mistaken like common, ordinary mortals, was illustrated at the Lindell House, St. Louis, recently, in the person of Bass Henderson, the clerk of that hostelry. The New York train brought in, among others, a tall, fine-looking gentleman, who wore a suit of solemn black, a high, silk hat and a bland smile. Bass, who was at the counter when the gentleman arrived and registered, had an indistinct recollection of having seen him before, but was unable to place him. He "sized him up," however, and not wishing to appear ignorant, he responded to the stranger's hearty greeting with a firm grip of the hand and a look on his face as if he was welcoming back a long lost relative. Looking at the name on the register he saw A. J. Deming, in bold black letters, and making a mild guess, he put him down for a drummer. "Shall I give you a large room?" inquired Bass. "Well, yes, moderately." "Well—ah—how large?" Ah—if you will tell me what line you're in, I'll know how much room you need for showing your samples in." "Samples, sir," said the stranger. "Why, my dear young man, I show my samples in church—I'm a Methodist minister, and not a sinful drummer. The idea!" and he walked off in a huff, leaving the astute clerk in chagrined surprise.—Exchange.

A New Idea For Lovers.

At a wedding, recently celebrated, were present some twenty-five young persons, all of them in a condition which, for various reasons, they generally concurred in regarding as undesirable—the "unengaged." One of the gentlemen of the party suspected the prevalence among them of feelings that might easily be exchanged for others infinitely more fixed and agreeable. He accordingly proposed the choosing of a president, a person worthy of all confidence, whose duty it should be to receive from each individual a folded paper inscribed with the name of the person handing it in, and also with the name of another person of the other sex whom the first would be willing to marry. The President, in addition to the restraints of his own sense of honor, was to be put under a solemn pledge of eternal secrecy. All refusing to accede to the proposition were for the time to leave the room. Those whose choice was reciprocal—that is, whose papers contained the same two names—were to be privately informed; while the selections of the others were to remain undisclosed. The result was that the trial was made; all shared in the excitement, and eleven couples were found to be made happy—and their several unions were afterward consummated.

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