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DOB OF THE GOLDEN CITY.

Sag Mister, some sit down awhile, An' listen. I was there. The fire scorchin' hot. I woke up when the whistle blowed, An' hope I may be dead.

Mid all the wild, exciting scenes, The cries for "help!"—the yells— Bob stood there at the engine's side, An' answered all the bells.

Started on the Road to Crime.

A young lad whose parents reside on one of the most fashionable avenues of this city was asked by a gentleman who was a guest of his parents during the recent Sunday School convention if he didn't want to go to heaven!

"If I know myself, and I think I do, I will stay where I am," "But" said the pious individual who was greatly shocked, "if you do not want to go to heaven you will go to hell and be burned up with fire and brimstone."

"You don't care do you," and blow followed blow. He bore the infliction at first with stolid indifference, but his stubbornness soon gave way, and through a flood of tears and intermingled sobs, he exclaimed: "Oh, ma, I do care!"

Mont Blanc in January.

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Nearly Kissed Themselves to Death.

Osculation is unquestionably a pleasing pursuit. It has been recognized as such from time immemorial, by generations unnumbered, of lovers, poets, and even philosophers.

At an evening party in Kelheim a few weeks ago the conversation happened to turn upon kissing, and the question arose how many salutations of this class could be exchanged between two ardent lovers within a certain space of time.

About Small Waists.

Mrs. Hawsel, of London, has written a letter in defence of small waists. She says: "The long and short of it is, a small waist is only pretty when it is natural—for it is then, and only then, architecturally in proportion."

Mr. F. H. Darbey, of Wilmington, after ten days' hesitation, has finally given to the Liberal and Republican conventions the use of his name for the Judgeship of the third judicial district.

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Cream and Strawberry Passion.

"Myrtle dear!" "Yes, George what is it?" replied the girl, glancing slowly upward.

The radiant glory of a summer moon shone down upon the earth this June night, bathing in all its mellow splendor the leafy branches of the sturdy old oaks that had for centuries shaded the entrance to Castle McMartyr.

The Majesty of the Law.

There is a Justice of the Peace out in Crosby county. Week before last he found a man guilty of shooting a bull that did not belong to him, and fined him \$75.

Sardines.

Not less than 30,000 are engaged in the sardine fishery in France, and fully as many find occupation in "preserving" this fish. A writer says that in taking the sardine the bait, which is called rague, plays an important part.

A Sign Which Conquered.

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Home Politeness.

A boy who is polite to his father and mother is likely to be polite to every one else. A boy lacking politeness to his parents may have the semblance of courtesy in society, but is never truly polite in spirit, and is in danger as he becomes familiar, of betraying his real want of courtesy.

The New Schoolmaster.

The old man approached the new schoolmaster with a bull dog glare in his eye. "You got after my boy yesterday because he left a live hornet glued to your chair?"

They parted and the schoolmaster murmured: "I did right to tackle the son of the worst fighting man in the district first. None of the others will pester me."

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How a Father was Saved from the Penitentiary by His Little Boy.

Judge Rogers' court room was recently the scene of an affecting and humanizing incident. It was in connection with the sentence of James Rice, who was implicated with the now celebrated consumptive Larry Murray, in a burglary case.

It was too much for the poor little wife, with a sleeping baby in her lap, and she sobbed aloud. The boy at once forsook his father, quickly went to his mother, and in tone audible all over the court-room said, "Oh mamma, why do you cry?" endeavoring to pull away the hand that concealed the face flushed with tears.

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SMALL BITES.

Fame is like a pig with a greased tail—hard to hang on to. How to keep house—refuse to place a mortgage on it. Prosperity kills many people, but newspaper men never die of it.

Some one truly remarks that editors and barbers do a great deal of head work. Did you ever see a doctor in the cemetery look at the monuments of his kill. A wit being asked on the floor of a bank, "Were you not upset?" replied: "No, I only lost my balance."

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