

TOO LATE.

Bring no vain chaplet to my grave. Once, when you might, you could have blest a lonely life, an aching breast...

REFLECTIONS OF A BACHELOR.

Many proverbs are the wit of one and the wisdom of none. You don't have to wait so long to be sorry as you do to be sure.

BILL ARP'S LETTER.

Atlanta Constitution. Fire and water and air. The three things that cost the least and are the most necessary to our existence are the most dangerous when unrestrained.

STRANGELY-BURIED TREASURE.

New Covered by a Sandy Flat Where Once the Missouri River Flowed. Among the many tragedies that have reddened the history of Montana the story of how a half million dollars in gold dust and nuggets was lost in the Missouri river thirty-six years ago is perhaps the most wonderful.

Like Another Emoch Arden.

READING, PA., April 7.—Mr. and Mrs. Henry Daubert, old residents of Emmaus, Lehigh county, have separated after living together 24 years and raising a large family.

North Carolina at Charleston.

This is North Carolina week at the Charleston Exposition. The Governor of the State and his staff, the State officials, the officers of the Board of Agriculture, the Commissioners appointed by the Governor to the Charleston Exposition, the Adjutant General and his staff, and a portion of the State Guard, together with many patriotic citizens, will leave this morning for Charleston.

The Mistake of the Polar Bear.

Nordenkjold found that the white bears generally went through a long performance of staking his sailors, clearly on the mistaken conclusion that they were seals. As the men were clothed partly in seal skin, it was a very natural mistake.

"LAZINESS A BEMOTTING SIN."

Bishop Fowler gives a warning to young ministers. Not doctrinal questions, nor those of discipline, but laziness, pure and simple, was recently declared by Bishop Fowler, in his address to six applicants for membership into the New York Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, to be today the undying cause of the failure of many preachers of the Gospel, and the one temptation which they must fight against most earnestly.

Brother Dickey's Sayings.

Atlanta Constitution. Some folks holds dat Adam wuz a red man; but he wuzn't nigh ez well read ez some er dese young niggers what knows it all.

Wade Hampton Fences Away.

COLUMBIA, S. C., April 11.—General Wade Hampton died this morning at 9 o'clock from valvular disease of the heart. The general had just passed his 84th birthday. Twice this winter he had had attacks that have greatly weakened him, but he rallied wonderfully on both occasions. He was out driving a week ago, but it was evident his strength was deserting him.

Small Acreage of Cotton to Now Predicted.

SAVANNAH, April 3.—Early cotton planting in the South Atlantic section is threatened by two drawbacks, the wet weather and the unsuitable condition of the ground for work and an other discouragement to farmers is their small yields for this season.

About the Limit.

"Bilkins, what is the most mortifying thing you can conceive of?" "Bilkins—I guess it's when a woman's sons having grown over the head of their father, who is of small stature, the thrifty mother has the outgrown clothes of her sons revamped for the old gentleman's use.—New York Times.

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"A great deal of unnecessary sympathy is wasted upon the circus man who stands up proudly in spangled tights and lets another circus man bring down a sledge hammer upon a rock placed upon his head with force enough to break it," says an old circus man. "This is spectacular, but is entirely painless and calls for no great strength or endurance. Upon the cranial of the strong man is put an iron contrivance weighing about 150 pounds and provided with cushions both above and where it rests upon the head.

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"No more difficult than this is the act whereby the hero of the canvas tent permits a rock to be broken upon his chest with a blow from a sledge hammer. So long as the subject's back is free and does not rest against any solid object the trick is perfectly simple. A little illustration: Take a board up and let it lie freely in your hand and hit it smartly with a hammer. It is difficult to hurt your hand, and the thicker the board the less the sensation. But now put your hand on the table and hit the board. Hurts, doesn't it? Well, it's the same with the rock on the chest."

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