

LOCAL AND OTHER NEWS

They say down on the beach, the girls don't turn red any more; they get brown.

Until August 5 Mars will be nearer the earth than it will be again for fifteen years—New York Herald.

Preparations will soon be made for holding the State Fair; those who attend fairs and see the races know the difference between horse sense and horse talk.

It has been pretty general for several months—to sum it all up—landslides, volcanic eruptions, cyclones, strikes, pitched battles between capital and labor, dynamite train robbing—all this in the past few months! What next?

Getting it down fine; an exchange says girls should look into the character of their sweethearts. Many little traits will often make it plain. If he economically puts out the light in the parlor when visiting her that's a sign he's going to be close.

It is getting hot again, and it is altogether useless to try to talk to people about our public roads; those who are not in their fields at work have gone to the shade. We will get them interested by and by—the Legislature, too.

We will say that Congress is not doing much. The public building bill for Durham has been carried off to the sea shore, or to the World's Fair in some one's pocket, or might as well be for all the good it is doing; and it has been definitely settled that that august body will adjourn as soon as it gets ready.

An overseer and a good subscriber said a few days ago, that THE RECORDER was "kicking up a h—l of a dust about public roads, and if it didn't mind it would come down with it." Well, if he is not a good overseer, we know one thing, he is witty and a good subscriber.

Every workingman should do all he can for the election of Mr. Cleveland, because his election means popular government, the equality of men and an end to the false conditions which make Carnegies possible and permit Pinkertonism to run riot. It means equal laws to equal men and an end of favors to the few.—New York World.

Is it not remarkable that under a high protective tariff there should be so many unemployed men to rush in and take the places of the Carnegie strikers? To read the Republican organs one would suppose that every man in the United States is employed every day in the year at large wages.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

While we have had an excess of rain crops so far have not suffered to any great extent. There has been too much for tobacco in low flat places, and the weather has been rather cool for cotton, but the outlook is very flattering and farmers are in good spirits. Corn never looked better and a larger acreage has been planted than usual.—Henderson Gold Leaf.

Stop it! A correspondent in Our Dumb Animals says: "The eggs of many of our most useful and beautiful birds are now wantonly collected and destroyed under the pretence of making collections, and if this is allowed to continue, our land will be overrun with winged and creeping pests, which will destroy our fruit and vegetation, and be a nuisance to our households."

Old Orange is coming. A party strolling through some parts of the county last week says, crops never looked better. A few years back, on account of crop failures, there was depression. Col. Carris making all kinds of improvements at his farm near the old town of Hillsboro, some say that others are about to get a move on them; they can't stand back and see the good work going on and do nothing. One man said the inaugural ball was about to start along on that line. Let it keep rolling. People that talked gloomily a few years back are smiling now. Go in any direction, you will find only a few that will tell you that ruin stares them in the face. A glance, however, at what the people are doing and can do leaves no room for any man to talk that way. When some talk in that way—it generally turns out that they are rather an enterprising set. As an evidence of the fact in that county, an old Mexican soldier is living so well—feeling his keeping so well that he wouldn't give you twenty for a \$2.50 in gold if you were to offer it to him for a night's lodging.

In France, when a funeral passes, every man raises his hat to salute it. The deceased person may have been a child, a pauper, a beggar; it is no matter; the cortege is saluted by every man, whether he be prince, millionaire, or mendicant. It is a good and lovely custom.

Trouble carries many to the grave; when one is in trouble and sees no way out that one will tell you—rest, only rest. And for the want of that rest, are willing to surrender—go to the grave, saying, "My feet are weary, and my hands are tired, my soul oppressed." Take the case of Cyrus W. Field, who died in New York on the 12th of this month; it is true, he was a very old man—was born in 1819, and he was a smart man. The New Yorkers are indebted to him for the part he took in establishing the present system of elevated railroad transit. But we learn from his city papers that during the past winter Mr. Field has experienced a world of troubles. His wife, whom he had married at the age of twenty-two, died and she was soon followed by his favorite daughter. Following upon these sad events came the failure of his son's firm, and the committal of his son to an insane asylum. Ever since that time Mr. Field has kept aloof from the gaze of men. Trouble, when troubles come ailing comes—and the grave is not far off.

We may need 'em and we may not need 'em in these parts, but we don't think it would hurt to have one among us. There is an institution of learning in Massachusetts; it aims to graduate a class of young women who shall be what is frequently heard of and seldom seen, "ornaments to society and to the home." One of the features of instruction is there course of cooking. The young women rush from the music room or the painting class of the gymnasium to the kitchen, and there are those lessons which have a particular relation to the "home." The instruction is arranged to cover a course of three years. It is free of extra cost to the pupils, and at the end of each year the young women are examined, and only after a satisfactory exhibition of progress are they allowed to go on. The work for the first two years is demonstration, and it is only the third year pupils who really cook. Last spring they—the real mistresses of the culinary art—gave a little dinner. They did everything from lighting the fire to decorating the table. They were excused from washing the dishes after dinner because they had a lecture to attend. Soon cook books will be the only form of literature in which the girls of the period will be interested, and perhaps the time may even come when she will write them.

A man came in our office last Wednesday; he lived in Hillsboro about 18 years ago, he lives at Stagsville now. He looked as well as he did when he lived at the old burg; he was a mighty proud fellow then—is yet, but hasn't got it so bad; in those days he wore gloves—walk under his umbrella to his meals; some of the boys said he carried it over him when he went to supper, but we hardly believed that. He was a typo then—he is a farmer now, and a good one, too. We often wonder how some men can go through long years without a great change; but such men find this world only a trifle to battle with, that's all, while with others it never rolls away from their tired shoulders—grows heavier day by day. It is true; if you wish to grow prematurely old shut your eyes to the lovely things around you and think only of your own image in the mirror as you saw it last, and your ears to the clear, bright, absolutely, natural laughter and, in fact, retire into a shell, which will grow harder and harder as the years go by.

Preparations for Emergencies. HONESTY, Pa., July 18.—While the militia is not expecting a riot they are making serious preparations for trouble. Large additional ammunition has been ordered from the Frankfort Arsenal. There are 2,500,000 round ball cartridges here and at least 30,000 additional is expected according to militia officers. Between fifteen and twenty workmen smuggled into the mill during the night.

A Fatal Explosion. LOUISVILLE, Ky., June 18.—Near Frankfort this morning John Saunders and Jim Fores were killed by an explosion of powder from the State Arsenal. Others are reported killed but no names are given. The men killed were of a party appointed to clean out the State Arsenal and put in order. They took all the ammunition and stored it in a farm near Frankfort to do the work, and while engaged twelve hundred pounds of powder caught from a spark and exploded.

Death Lurks in Foul Places.

The fact that cholera has found its way to Moscow, Russia, a city without sewers it is said, served to awaken the health authorities of all other cities to a realizing sense of great impending danger. It is true, we may never have the cholera in this country, but THE RECORDER would suggest that the authorities set their houses in order on this side of the water—nearer home in time. While the disease was confined to Tiflis, Baku and other cities of Southern Russia, whose chief railway outlets were toward the Mediterranean, the people of Northern Europe did not consider themselves in any immediate danger. But Moscow has direct railway communication with St. Petersburg, Berlin and all the great cities of Northern Europe, and with a violent outbreak of the disease in that Russian city only the most rigid quarantine regulations will prevent its rapid spread. In this day of universal railway communication such regulations are particularly difficult of enforcement. While there is no cause for alarm in this country because the disease has appeared in Russia—the foul places in our towns and cities and around our own homes should be cleansed by way of preparation for the possible appearance of any dreaded disease. This much is due on the principle that an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure. There is no getting around it—diseases will spring up in foul places; and men, whose duty it is to look after these foul places should always be on the watch; not dodge around certain places, and give the worst places the go-by—afraid they will make some certain one mad! Duty! duty! Listen! It is stated up on good authority that cholera is only terrible where the plainest and simplest sanitary laws are disregarded. Diseases once on its travel—becomes epidemic—people die—others fleeing away. The prevalence of most any disease will cause travelers to shun that city. Safeguards must be thrown around—men who will do their whole duty—see that the city is well cleansed—every nook and corner. A great, great responsibility rests upon health authorities. Will they do their duty before it is too late! Think of the city of Moscow—sewerless—neglected; cholera raging—death reaping. And who is responsible! Are health authorities doing their duty! Gentlemen, take the case.

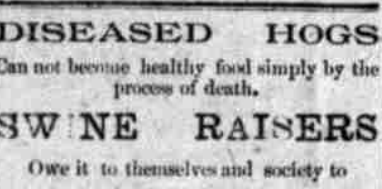
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