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A DARKEY'S DOUBLE.

POETRY.

JIM BLUDSO.

'all, no! I can't tell whar he lives,

Be ause he den't live you see; actways, he's got out of the habit If livin' like you and me.

W! ur have you been for the last year,
1 but you hav'nt beard tolks tell
1 Jimmy Bludso passed in his checks,
T is night of the Prairie Bell?

He recen't no saint—them engine rs all pretty much alike— One wife in Natchez under-the-Hill,

A coefess man in his talk was Jim.
At dasawkward man in a row,

But I be never flunked, and he never fled-

ckon he never knowed how.

And the is was all the religion he had-

Never to passed on the river;
To n and the pilot's bell;
And if ever the prairie Bell took fire,
A the usand times he swore,
He'd he

All boats has their day on the Mississip.

And he it day come at last: The Move effer was a better hoat, But the Belle, she would the passed;

The fire bu st out as she cleared the bar,

And quick r s a flash she turned, and made

Through the hot black, breath of the burning

And burnt a hole in the night;

ed ont,
Over all the infernal roar!
"Til hold her nozzle agin the bank
Till the last galloot's ashore!"

boat, Jim Bludso's voice was heard,

And they all had trust in his cusse

And knowed he would keep his word.
And, sure's you're born, they all got off
Afore the smoke stacks fell—
And Bludso's ghost went up alone

He weren't no saint-but at judgment .

Lougside of some plous gentlemen
That wouldn't shook hands with him

He seen his duty, a dead sure thing,

On a man that died for men.

And went for it that and then; And Christ ain't a goin' to be too hard

[New York Sun. 11th.]

shoulder, bit him on the nose. The

wound was slight, and Murray though

nothing more of it. On Thursday last

he felt an acute pain in his some, and

that night he was taken with headache

and languor. He reamed work,

however, on Friday, but on Saturday

he had difficulty in breathing and in

swallowing. In the afternoon he was

compelled to go to bed and he began to

have spasms. Dr. Sullivan of Tomkins

had no positive dread of water. As

well as ever, save that he had some

soreness in his head. On Sunday morn-

ing Murray was much worse, and Dr.

Sullivan summoned Dr. Pilchor. Sed-

and in the afternoon Murray began to

struggle violently, his agony being

terrible. He frothed at the mouth, and

him and threw him into convulsions-

To Mothers-in-Law,--Mind how

you blow a hurricane around the house

about "my son" or "my daughter,"

and " how you used to do this or that,"

and mind how you call a fellow's wife

lazy or stuck up, and don't go to

used to kiss you that way-in fact

be quiet; keep very cool; and hold

your tongue as well as you can-for

see here; A gentleman was only fined

one penny and costs in Wake Superior

- Raleigh News.

of exhaustion.

Till the last soul got ashere.

A Clin ce Beeting of n Kentuckian who had a "Feasible" Memory, [From the Virginia City Enterprise,]

The bootblack on the corner-stand or C. street was looking for a customer. He was as black as the ace of spades and as he carelessly dusted off his stand with the stump of a corn brush, he occassionally paused and rolled his eyes hungrily up and down the streets.

Presently a tell, raw-boned, middleaged man, with a considerable length of gentee, and not a little breadth of hat rim, stopped and glanced at the stand with some show of interest.

"Have a shine, boss?" said the owner of the stand, giving his chair a parting slap with his brush. "Shine 'em up in half minit, sah. You'll jist have time to glance over de morning papers."
Without defgning an answer, the lank

chap climbed into the seat before him. "Whar yer a-rollin' them pants to?" was the first remark after the proprie-ter of the stand began to eperate.

"All right now, boss. We mustn't muss 'em, you see. It's all feasible now,

"Wall, proceed to business."

"I's a-movin', boss; I's a-movin' The old ast craft on the line— With a nighter squat on her safety-valve, And her furnace crammed with rosin and "Wall, see that you keep a-movin'." "De people of de Sout," said the

bootblack, cocking, a cunning eye upon his customer; "de people of de Sout (another look of the eye) most allus gives us pore cullud boys any little teasible job dey's got. For that willer-bank on the right, There was running and carsing, but Jim yell-

"You think I'm from the South?" "I's from de Sout myself, sah."
"Likely."

"I's from de Souf, sah-from old "Indeed!"

"Sartiu, boss. I'se from Lex'uton Kaintuck, sah," scraping away, with an old caseknife, at the mad from on the

"I'm from Kentucky myself and from Lexington," said the man, beginning to look interested. "So you're from Lexiogton, eh?"

"Jess, so, boss. Practically I was born dar, sah." "Like you, I was born thar."

"Nice old town, boss."

"I goffy, boss, ef I did'nt think from de fust dat I saw in you de rale old A BROOKLYN MAN'S TERRIBLE DEATH AFTER REING BITTEN ON THE NOSE BY A CAT. Kentucky gentleman. You've got a good deal of de cut of some o'dem law and mid'cine students dat used to be about de ole Transviveny 'Varsity : but you's aged a little boss-aged a le-etle Hugh Murray, of Baltic street, near Albany Avenue, Brooklyn, tried to drive a cat off from a beam three months grain more dan was de boys in dem

days." "I've often seen the old Universiago, and the animal jumping on his

ty." It was a fine old town too main street was more than a mile long dar war beautiful trees 'long de street and the orphan 'sylum, an' de baggin factory, de wire works, an' 'de-" "The lunatic asylum."

"Yes, boss; shore 'nuff, dar wus de lunatic 'sylum." "And the river."

"An' de ribber; I golly, dat fust big bend in Town Fork of de Eikhorn, up evenue asked him to drink some water. bove de city-practically dat was a In trying to do so Murray's threat conmighty feasible proposition for eattracted violently, as did in a measure all the muscles of the body. Yet he

"Amazie"."

"I say, boss, practically, you never soon as the spasms were over he felt as happened to know a cullud boy named Columbus Parsons, as lived out on the road to-ards whar ole Hary Clay was borned-out to-ards Ashland-did ver. atives were given, but without effect,

"I knowed a colored boy named Columbus Parsons that rode ole Wood pecker against Ploughboy down at the Blue grass course and won the puss." "De Lord love us! Was you dar?

whenever he tried to swallow it checked De great hokey! Practically, I am dat He was not afraid of any fluid, but he same Columbus Parsons what rode ole could not swallow it. In his delirinm Woodpecker an' won de puss down dar he asked whether they were going to to Blue Grass !'2. cut his nose off. He died at midnight "The Columbus Parsons I knowed

used to be a great fiddler; played for all the balls and parties for miles around."

"Dat was me, sah. I was de boy Now you's beginnin' to know me." The Columbus Parsons I used to

know was a great singer-was lightnin' at all the nigger camp-meetings." "Dat was me, boss. I'm identically breaking up the dishes and kicking and practically dat same Columbus Parsons! You's got de most feasible mem' over the dinner table, simply because

you saw your son kiss his wife when he ry I ever saw, sah," "The Columbus Parsons I knowed went down to Frankfort and ran on the river as stewart of the Bell Wag-

"Yah, vah, you knows meknows me, boss! You knows me like a brudder, sah! In dem days did'nt I put on de apparel? Was'nt I attired? feasible mem'ry I ever saw!"

"The Columbus Parsons that I knowed, the Columbus Parsons that rode old Woodpecker, the Columbus Parsons that used to sing at camp-meetings, the Columbus Parsons that was sleward liable time keeper.—About a fortnight on the Bell Wagner, that Columbus afterward, Pitman called at the shop Parsons busted open the trank of a passenger; stole a thousand dollars, and was sent to the State prison at Frank-

fort for five years." "Practically, boss, you's got a power-ful memory, but dar was anoder Columbus Parsons down day bout Lexington and Frankfort-particlarly South Frankfort, 'cross de chain bridge—dat-was a boss rider, a fiddler, a singer and a steamboater, an' he was a low-flung, harum-scarum, no-account feller, I hours; and the thing has never structk guess he mont a bin de Columbus Parsons what you knowed, sah."

"You think so?" "Sartin, sure, boss; but don't say nuffin bout de leller heah. You see practically, it mout injure my good name, sah."

METHODIST CENTENNIAL. Grand Jubilatory Mans Meeting to be held in Kuleigh.

A hundred years ago, the 21st day of March, the advance-guard of Methodism planted its first banner on North Carolina soil, and the Centennial anniversary of this momentous event in the religious history of our state is to be the occasion ot a grand celebration. It will be a matter of national interest to one of the most powerful ecclesiastical organizations in the new world. Such an assemblage never was witnessed in Raleigh, as will unster around our capi-tel then. From near and from far, the hard-riding cavalry of Zion, the engincer corps, the sappers and miners, who prepare the way of the Lord and make straight his paths, through trackless wildernesses and desolute solitudes, will gather for a grand, glorious, season of jubilation over the triumphs and progdezen raw recruits; now, a mighty resistless host of 80,000 sodiers of the Cross, within our borders. Well may they celebrate. The Christian Advecate, a worthy organ of their growing cause, in its issue of to-day, publishes this circular letter from the committee

of arrangements: The committee are at work arrangng programme and inviting speakershese will be published in due time. We have just received a letter from Bishop H. N. McTyeire, D. D., in answer to an invitation from the committee of arrangements. We take the liberty of publishing an extract from his letter. The Bishop says: "I rejoice that you are all in earnest, and that North Carolina Methodists intend to have a Centennial. Your programme seems to be well - rawn and compre

hensive. It will give me great pleasure th von and the brethren in March. Put me down for what I can do. It seems that you have done that already. Let the religious services be emphasized in the performance as in the

Will the committee appointed by the last conference, to wit: Rev. Dr. Closs. Rev. R. O. Burton and Rev. Dr. Wilson hurry up their appeal to the Methodists of North Carolina in reference to this centennial celebration? Let us hear from you at once.

Oh, for a grand rally of North Caroina Methodists from the Atlantic to the Tennessee line.

J. P. MOORE, L. S. BURKHEAD,

J. W. ROBBIT. W. J. Young.

W. J. W. CROWDER. Committee.

A gentleman named Wall, residing at Phoenixville has several very fine canary birds which he has given much attention. One of the birds he has taught to sing "Home Sweet Home." clearly and distinctly. His mode of instruction is as fellows: He placed the cauary in a room where it could not hear the singing of other birds, suspended its cage from the ceiling, so that the bird would see its reflection in the mirror. Beneath the glass he placed a musical box that was regulated to play to other tune but "Home Sweet Home." Hearing no other sounds but this, and beleiving the music proceeded from the bird it saw in the mirror, the young canary soon began to catch the notes and finally accomplished what its owner had been laboring to attain, that of singing the song perfectly. Mr. Wall has been offered and refused \$20 for Practically, sah, you's got de most this yellow-throated soprane .- Reading Eayle.

ARELIABLE TIME PIECE.

Old Mills, the optician at New Castle, sold a sun dial to Pitman, with the the assurance that it was quite a reand said say Mills, that sun-dial is not worth a cent, it's no good as a time-pie-ce any way." "May be you havn't got it fixed in a good place," said Mills.
"Yes, I have replied Pitman. "But I tell you it went work. There must be something wrong about it." "No it's in perfect order," said Mills. Did you ever time it by your watch!"
"Certainly I did. I've stood close to it a hundred times exactly at the even the time once." "Merciful Moses!-Why, you didn't expect it to strike the hours, did you? Thunder! why, it dont strike, of course. It has no works inside." "That's what gets me said Pitman. "If it aint got no insides how's it goin' to ruh?" "Mr. Pitme where have you located that sun-dials.
In the garden?" "Be gracious no!
What do I want of a time-plece, in the
garden? It's hung in the sittin' room agin the wall." Then Mills explained it to him, and Pitman had since exchanged his sun-dial for a four dol-lar clock.—Max Adeler.

POINTS IN A PIG, Agricultural writers often give what they term points by which to judge good horses or good cattle, but although a reader of many leading far papers I have never yet seen anythin about the points in a good hog. It is importent that we should be able to recognize a good hog when we see it, and therefore I make bold to ask you to favor us with a few rules govern in the case if there are any est rules in that direction. FARMER.

Wayne Co., Miss. Leading writers on the pig are agreed that the fellowing points indicate a

1. Head wide in front; ears erect and points forward; chops rounded and well filled up to the brisket.

2. Shoulders broad and shoulder-blades well sloped back wards.

8. Ribs well rounded; loins wide and lightly arched.

Hind quarters but little sloped 5. Haus rounded outwards, well et down and full towards the twist.

6. Chest wide, with elbows well out 7. Fore-ribs wide underneath; flank ell let de wn. straight and well filled. 8. Legs straight and in the bone; feet small and compact.

9. Hair abundant, bright and oily. 10. Tail thick at base and rapidly tapering .-- Mobile Register.

Recently an officer of St. Albans, Vt. having two insane persons to convey to an asylum for the insane at Brattleboro,' called one of the lunatics aside and asked his aid in keeping watch of his companion during the journey and then did the same with the other. The two lunatics sat side by side, silently watching each other through the whole journey, and they have continually kept guard over each other in the asylum

The colored citizens of Crystal Springs, Miss., in a public meeting, have declar ed their intention to withdraw from politics, to cultivate friendly relations with the white race, to use all means to put down crime, to endeavor to produce everything necessary for their own consumption at home, and to or. ganize among themselves an association similar to that of the Patrons of Hus-

In Mississippi there is still an exten. sive area of yet ungathered, cotton most of which it is feared will be left to ruin in consequence of the mere lack of hands required to do the picking. Planters are willingly paying four or five cents per pound for this work, which would to industrious men be from three to five dollars per day.

"Talk about the extravagance in dress of women !" cries Martha Jane exultingly; "what do you say to Tweed's six-million suit, I'd like know? He isn't a woman, I guess

When we are alone, we have our thoughts to watch; in the family, our temper; in company our tougues.

The new Senator from Iowa first won distinction by wearing a red flannel shirt at a dinner party.

The largest State Senates in the Union are those of North Carolina and Indiana—50 members each. New York has 32, Pennsylvania 33, Massachusetts, 40; California and Iowa 40; Georgia requires 44 Senators; Virginia 42. In sixteen States the Senate numbers between 30 and 40 members; in nine, between 20 and 30; in five, (Deleware, New Hampsire, Nevada, Nebraska, Oregon) less than 20. The smallest Senate is that of Deleware-nine m bers against Little Rhody's 36. In the popular tranches, New Hampshire leads off with 341; Vermont and Connecticut comes next with 241 a piece; and Missouri with \$20 In nine States than 100 and less than 200; in six it is the even and symmetrical 100; in seventeen it is less than 100. The smallest House of all is Delsware's -21.

He was chilled to the bone, and only looked in at the saloon was warm and cheery, the hot water urn bubbled merrily, a grateful steam curled off a hot spiced rum that the barkeeper was about to offer as a liberation on his own private shrine. Then, faithful to his wow, he drew back in the outer dark-kess, and as he did so an icy blast howled up the street and made the flags on the side walk sniver. He said to his elf: "Just one-it's so deuced cold to night," and entered the door. "Hel lo!" said the bar-keeper, "where you been? Hain't seen you since Noo Year's," And the recording angel shed a tear, and blotted out that oath forev-

Frank Daggett in assuming the torial control of the Enterprise at Hutobison, Minnetson, made the following remarks, which are thought to be somewhat personal in their applica-tions to his predecessors: "We hereby most solemnly swear (or affirm, as the case may be) not to attempt suicide during the time the Enterprise is in our control. Neither will we abscord with anybody, man, woman or child, for the same period.

When a man in Wisconsin, who was running for the office of Lieutenant Governor, was asked by a friend if he thought his experience was such as to qualify him in the discharge of his office, he said he thought he ought to be -he had been Lieutenant Governor in his own family ever since he was

The Boston Herald has seen a man who saw two other men, who heard it said by the confidential clerk of a promnent politician that Gen. Grant would not allow his friends to put him in nomination for a third term, and that he favored as his successor Minister Washburn, with Conkling as his sec

When a New Jeraey farmer's wife outs the rat poison in the baking powder bottle, and uses it to mix the biscuit for tea, and then makes a dying declaration that she was thinking about her new shawl at the time, it is evident that store clothes are mighty scarce in New Jersey.

Bishop Haven ought to be mace Secretary of the Treasury during the third term. He is a fine financier. He lately lectured for the ostensible benefit of a church at Kalamazoo, Michigan, for which he charged and pocketed, it is asserted, \$50, while the church failed to pay expenses from the enterprise.

There was a hard up man in town the other day trying to sell, as a valuable relic, a three-cent postage stamp which he declared was from one of Paul' letters to the Corinthians,-Courier-Journal.

The shortest will on record reads: "San Francisco, October 25. All the property that I have belongs to my wife Ann Schrep. Witnesses, Peter Kerne, Jon. Orths, T. B. Moorbrick."

When a California woman defeated a lion in a hand-to-hand combat the neighbors were greatly astonished, but her husband quietly remarked, \*Ol that's nothing. That woman could lie the day! the devil.