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Sunbeams.

Druggist (who has just given Maude a stick of gum)—"Now, can I do anything more for you?" Maude—"Yes! Start it please."

Mrs. Ryan, who took over the four little hydrophobia boys for Pasteur's treatment in Paris, brought back five, which speaks volumes for the treatment.

She—"You awkward brute! You have dropped your bread and butter on the floor." He—"That's all right, my dear. Nobody will get it. I have my foot on it."

In the present style of shirt collar, a young man of fashion may be safely trusted in the gilded halls of pleasure. An entire corps de ballet could not turn his head.

"Pa, who was Shylock?" "Great goodness, boy! You attend church and Sunday-school every week, and don't know who Shylock was? Go and read your Bible sir!"

In Texas, the colored servant changes her employer about once every two weeks. "Am dat you?" said Matilda Snowball, meeting Belinder Jackson. "Ob course hit's me!" "Who am you livin' wid now?" "I ain't livin' wid nobody. Ise married."

A poor man's wife who bought a quart of molasses at a Cincinnatti grocery, the other day, found a diamond ring in it worth two hundred dollars. If she had bought a gallon of the precious syrup, she might have found ear-rings and brest-pin to match."

"Good heavens, Washington, how does your master live in such a mosquitoey hole as this?" "Well, sah, the fact am, at night Mars George am so intoxified he don't give a cuss for the skeeters, an in de mosning de skeeters are so intoxified they don't give a cuss for Mars George."

There are times when the most humble and long suffering man may rebel against the conjugal tyranny of a too exacting wife; but they don't come around very often after "God Bless Our Home" motto has been responded to with twins, and materfamillias gets strong enough to want to know if he means to break her her heart after all she has done for him.

Chinese Peddlers.

A correspondent of "*Good Cheer*" gives an amusing illustration of "peddlers morality" in China:

He was sitting with some brother-officers of the United States ship "Dash," in front of the English hotel in Batavis, Java, and was approached by a forlorn-looking Chinaman, who had a sword-cane in his hand.

"Want buy?" said he, bowing profoundly to the group. The others paid no attention to him, but I, being somewhat inexperienced in the ways of the "childlike and bland," took pity on him and asked him his price.

"Six dollah," said he.

"Six dollars!" I exclaimed. "That's too much."

"Velly fine sword-cane. Chinamen velly hungly," whinned he, plaintively. "Melican help hungly man alee time. "Five dollah, sah?"

"No," said I. "Five dollars is too much."

"Four dallah; little, *little* four dollah!" persisted the miserable-looking object.

Still I was firm in my belief that I could buy a sword-cane for much less, if I really needed one, and declared that I would not pay four dallars.

"Tlee dollah? Two dollah? One dollah?" groaned the beggar.

Then, as I shook my head, in obedience to a stealthy wink from a lieutenant sitting near and watching the progress of the trade, the fellow began to cry, "No cathee chow-chow two, tlee day! Velly hungly! Die! No catchee chow-chow, die! Fifty cent?"

I relented, and agreed to buy it for fifty cents. But an investigation of my purse showed nothing but a ten-dollar gold-piece.

"I can't take it after all," said I regretfully.

Imagine my amazement when, after one keen glance at my "eagle," the Chinaman dived down his sleeve and brought out a handful of silver, counted nine dollars and fifty cents out of the pile, took my gold-piece, handed me the cane and turned away with a placid smile and a bow, amid the shouts and laughter of my companions!

The lieutenant then offered me his arm and took me to a neighboring shop, where there was a shelf full of sword-canes just like mine for twenty-five cents apiece!

Another gentleman who purchased something of a curb-stone merchant of the "Flowry Kingdom" illurtrates the kind of imposition to which a foreign buyer who is "green" is likely to be subjected. After beating the Chinaman down from two dollars and a half to ninety cents he took the article and said, "Now John, tell me how much profit you made on that?"

"Ninety cents."

"Why, how can that be John?

"*Me steal um*," was the reply of the imperturable Chinamen—and no doubt for once he told the truth.

"Petroleum has declined twenty-one cents," says an exchange. But before you praise petroleum for its honesty, wait until it is offered one dollar, and see whether it declines that.—*Puck.*

"Beans Regarded as Food," is the heading in an exchange. That is the way beans should be regarded. Any one who would regard beans as a beverage would be away off.—*New York Graphic.*

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A Hotel Fire, with a Guest Fatally Burned

CHARLOTTE, N. C., Feb 1, 1886.—Sunday morning at 3:30 o'clock fire was discovered in a room in the Charlotte Hotel. The fire alarm sounded, and ivestigation showed that the bed on which Alexander Heinowsky, a painter, slept was on fire. He was badly burned and died this morning from the effects of the burns. The fire is supposed to have originated from a cigar or fron matches in his pocket. Three other men in the same room were nearly suffocated by the smoke. Heinowsky was a Russian, and had been living here about a year.

Put Them Out.

The "Civil Service Humbug" will be pretty certain to tell on the Democratic party in the First Congressional District in the next election. We have been reliably informed that there are about three hundred lighthouse keepers and attendants in the district, rank Republicans, holding on laughing in their sleeves at the hungry Democrats. These Democrats have labored long and faithfully for the Democratic party, and they were confident, taking a common sense view of the matter, that Democratic success meant that Republican partisan officials would walk the plank of political retirement. But it now appears to them that it meant only the heads of departments were to be changed, while their political opponents right in their midst can defiantly shake their fists in their faces.—*Newbern Journal.*

A Hint to Boys.

I stood in the store the other day, when a boy came in and applied for a situation.

"Can you write a good hand?" was asked.

"Yaas."

"Good at figures?"

"Yaas."

"That will do—I do not want you," said the merchant.

"But," I said when the boy had gone, "I know that lad to be an honest, industrious boy. Why don't you give him a chance?"

"Because he hasn't learned to say 'Yes, sir,' and 'No, sir.' If he answers me as he did when applying for a situation, how will he answer customers after being here a month?"

What could I say to that? He had fallen into a habit, young as he was, which turned him away from the first situation he had ever applied for.

A Female Burglar.

Monday night burglars entered the dwelling of Mrs. Emma Bryan, on South Bloodworth street, and took therefrom a number of articles. Yesterday a negro man named William Mitchell applied for a search warrant and under the police searched the house of Malvina Gorham, a negro woman. In this house they found Mitchell's property and in addition made a discovery of more importance. There were a number of the articles stolen from Mrs. Bryan. That lady's name was found on some of these. The woman was tried before justice Wesley Whitaker, who sent her to jail. While being taken to jail she attempted to escape from deputy sheriff Rogers, but made a dismal failure and is now behind the bars.—*Raleigh News and Observer.*

Side View of Industrial Education.

The best sort of Industrial Schools are the Foundries and Machine Shops of John Wilkes, Liddell & Co., Asbury and Ahrens, &c., of Charlotte; the Railroad Shops at Salisbury, Raleigh and Wilmington; the large Carriage Manufactories at Carthage, Fayetteville and elsewhere in the State; the Furniture manufacturing establishment at Charlotte, Morganton, &c., and the various Mechanical shops carried on in North Carolina. If you want to learn boys trades in a proper way, put them in the establishments mentioned as *apprentices* and you then stand a chance of making them useful to themselves and valuable to the public. A school for such a purpose, carried on at the expense of the over-burdended tax payers of the State, is of doubtful propriety, and should not be endorsed by the State authorities until it is ascertained whether the Legislature is willing to incur an expense of about $50,000 a year for that purpose.—*Char. Home-Democrat.*

A Volcano Beneath the Sea.

Capt. Robert M. Lavender, of the schooner Alice Montgomery, which arrived at this port on Friday with a cargo of ice from Kennebec, Me., reported an interesting incident. He states that four days before arriving at New Orleans, and southward of Rebecca shoals, in the extreme eastern portion of the Gulf of Mexico, he passed through an extensive track of floating fish, dead and dying. As far as the eye could reach this spectacle met the gaze, and the vessel sailed through it for twenty miles. The fish were of great varieties; and another curious feature of the phenomenon was that the sea was yellowish and streaked on the surface with a yellowish scum.

The supposition that these fishes were destroyed by some sudden visitation of an epidemic disease is scarcely reasonable. Of a variety of theories, the most plausible appears to be that which attributes the destruction of the fishes to the breaking out beneath the sea of volcanic matter and poisonous gases destructive to the lives of marine animals exposed to them. Submarine volcanoes are by no means unknown.

The fact of their existence has often been attested in disturbances of the ocean bottom, cases of the sinking of coasts and islands in to the sea or of their elevation out of it being on record.

The opening of rifts in submarine rocks through which poisonous sulphurous or arseniureted vapor are driven into the waters above. would be entirely in accord with the rules of volcanic action.—*New Orleans Times.*

Big Hunt.

The State Agricultural Department has been guilty of the unparalelled extravagance of spending *five* dollars unnecessarily! Besides the colossal stealing of the Republicans in North Carolina, the amount does not look contemptible. Little wonders is it that Republican papers are not disgusted. Such a big hunt and such *very small* game.—*Greensboro Patriot.*

If Thomas J. Cluverius, the young lawyer who is in jail under sentence of death for the murder of Miss Fonnie Lillian Madison, obtains a new trial from the Court of Appeals, he will be able under a new law to testify in his own defence. The Legislature has just passed, and the Governor approved, a bill which allows all criminals to testify in their own behalf. Many prominent lawyers believe that the Court of Appeals will grant Cluverius a new trial. Some of the most important witnesses for the prosecution in this case are dead or out of the State, and in the event the prisoner obtains a new trial doubts are felt about his being convicted again.

A member of the Geological Survey says that Salt Lake will be of great value in the near future, not only on account of the common salt it will produce, but also for the sodium sulphate it contains. The latter is separated in a flocculent precipitate by the cold weather of midwinter, and annually thrown up on the shore in enormous quantities.

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JENNIE A. McCORKLE, Adm'x.

Theo F. Kluttz, Att'y. Dec. 17, 1885. 4t