

John Bright in a recent speech to his constituents, remarked that he could "not conceal from them his conviction that the business of the country is quite as well conducted during the six months of the year when Parliament is not in session as during the six months when it is in session."

Since the days of the Stuarts the increase of wealth in England has been more rapid than the increase of population. In 1600 the wealth of England and Wales was equal to \$45 per head, in 1872 it was \$127, and last year \$249.

Lord Bacon's signs of short life are quick growth, fair soft skin, fine hair, early corpulence, large head, short neck, small mouth, fat ear, brittle, separated teeth.

Slowly but surely the cotton mills are being removed to the cotton fields. In 1880 the number of mills in Alabama, Georgia, North and South Carolina, was 128.

The King of Siam, whose ambassadors are soon expected to arrive in Paris, is said to be a most extraordinary looking little man. Korl I. is about twenty years of age, and the most remarkable fact concerning him is the inordinate length of his nails, each of which measures about half a yard.

With a million to begin with, anybody might soon get as wealthy as Vanderbilt. So says a correspondent. He describes a building in New York: It is a lot 25 feet wide by 100 deep.

The Bonapartists threaten to force a dissolution of the French Chamber of Deputies. Colored citizens of Chicago protest against the civil rights decision of the United States Supreme Court.

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The number of foreigners now living in France is 1,001,090, or 2.68 per cent. of the population. For the past thirty years this percentage has been increasing. In 1851 it was only 1.06; in 1861 it was 1.33, and in 1872 it was 2.03.

MOONSHINE.

"When does a man become a seamstress?" "When he hems and haws." "No." "When he threads his way." "No." "When he rips and tears." "No." "Give it up." "Never, if he can help it."

He'd been waiting with his host's ugly elder daughter, and was in a corner repairing damages. Here he was espied by his would-be papa-in-law.

A Rash man: "Yes," said Fogg. "Dr. Pillroller is a brave man no doubt, but he carries his bravery too far. He is foolhardy, sir; never saw so rash a man." Called him to see Mrs. F. to-day, and he actually asked her to let him see her tongue! Fact, sir, I wouldn't have believed any living man would have had the courage to meet that tongue of hers."

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PERSONAL AND POLITICAL.

Pert Hyacinthe arrived in New York Sunday. Strange stories are afloat about the orgies of English princes at the country seat of a great financial baron.

A reception was given in New York Saturday evening, at the Windsor hotel, by Mr. Andrew Carnegie to Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Arnold.

Lord Lorne and the Princess Louise left Quebec for England Saturday on the steamship Sardinian. The departure was witnessed by thousands of people.

The Laval University at Quebec has conferred upon the Marquis of Lorne the degree of doctor of laws and languages, in recognition of his services in the cause of Canadian education.

The shoemakers of San Francisco, to the number of six hundred, have a Butler Democratic club to work for the nomination of Ben. Butler as President of the United States.

The mother of Charles Ross seldom reads the papers lest she may chance upon the name of her lost boy. Her family, so far as possible, keep from her every mention of the matter. If Charley is living he is fourteen years old.

Captain D. Pulaski Benjamin, the sole survivor, as is believed, of the American sailors who were liberated from Dartmoor Prison, in England, in 1812, died at Stratford, Conn., Saturday.

The published report of an English benevolent society says: "Notwithstanding the large amount paid for medicine and medical attendance, very few deaths occurred during the year."

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Sept. 14th, 1880. Hop Bitters Co., Toronto: I have been sick for the past six years, suffering from dyspepsia and general weakness. I have used three bottles of Hop Bitters, and they have done wonders for me.

The Rev. Thomas E. Green, of Chicago, whose subject on Sunday morning last was "The Newspaper and How the Devil Uses it," said that Noah's dove was the first reporter.

"I Would not be without Dr. Benson's Celery and Chamomile pills if they cost \$1 a pill. They cured me of neuralgia of 9 years standing." Joseph Snyder, Paxtons, Pa. 50 cts. per box, at druggists.

Connecticut farmers, the Hartford Times charges, are numerous given to buying oleomargarine, moulding it over at home, and supplying it in Hartford as the genuine product of their own dairies.

"Rough on Corns." Ask for Wells' "Rough on Corns." 15c. Quick, complete, permanent cure. Corns, warts, bunions.

The Popolo Romano says that a little lucifer match seller has been discovered to possess a most lovely tenor voice and great intelligence, and that he will, no doubt, be taken from his present life of mendicancy to be educated as a singer.

The glory of man is his strength. If you are weakened down through excessive study, or by early indiscretions, Allen's Brain Food will permanently restore all lost vigor, and strengthen all the muscles of Brain and Body, \$1; 6 for \$5.

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Reject the Offer by a dealer of any article claimed to possess properties identical with or similar to teeth-saving SOZODONT. Only purchase the real Simon Pure, which defies teeth imitation and competition.

Loss and Gain. CHAPTER I. "I was taken sick a year ago with bilious fever."

"My doctor pronounced me cured, but I got sick again, with terrible pains in my back and sides, and I got so bad I could not move!"

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By One of the Fools. "Why—pardon my remarking it—but, my dear old friend, how changed you are. I declare you must have lived very high or very fast to have driven the color out of your hair and the spring out of your step this fashion."

Looking at the sunset on the river from the grounds of his place up the Hudson, my school chum—who is now one of the best known mining experts in the country answered: "It wasn't fast living did it, but dyspepsia and nervous collapse, from over-work. I ought to have stopped years before I did. I was a fool. But who isn't, if you come to that?"

"I am thirty-five years old," writes Mr. Charles H. Watts, of Somers, Putnam Co., N. Y., and had suffered from dyspepsia for fifteen years. Went the round of the current remedies, falsely so called. Listlessly and without hope I gave PARKER'S TONIC a trial. The result may be stated in three words: "It cured me. I endorse now without hesitation. It is the dyspeptic's refuge." Mr. G. E. Cole, druggist, of Carmel, N. Y., certifies to the truth of Mr. Watts' statement.

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MISCELLANEOUS.

The Growing Child. It is well known that a large majority of the human race die in childhood. Of course everybody has to lie, some time or other. But there is such a thing as prolonging life, and also of making the most of it while it lasts.

A growing child is exposed to more risks than an adult. The system is in its formative state, and very receptive. If contagious diseases are in the atmosphere, the child is particularly exposed to them.

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A growing child's future depends much on what his condition is during the years of growth. It is essential that he reach the complete adult maturity in healthfulness and vigor. Keeping this in view, how important it is that parents should closely observe their children's health, and in ample time begin to correct any tendency to weakness or decline.



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