

THE DAILY FREE PRESS.

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A special from Norfolk, Va., says a party of business men will reach there this week, from Chicago, Indianapolis, Detroit, Toledo, St. Louis and other western cities, for the purpose of making arrangements for direct shipments of truck garden products to the west instead of via Baltimore, New York and even Boston. The truckers of Kinston for years have shipped a portion of their products to western cities, and it might be a good idea for the truckers of this section to see if better facilities and lower freights cannot be secured for shipments from this section to the west.

A dispatch from Havana, Cuba, says: A number of negroes have presented to Senor Tamayo, secretary of the government, a petition to be submitted to Gov. Gen. Wood asking that the latter issue a decree making illegal the use by newspapers, official documents and police warrants of such terms as "mulatto," "colored," and "brown," which distinguish a man by his color. The petition asks that the papers and the authors of such documents shall be instructed to use the word "citizen." It says: "The colored race has already proved its value and capability and the continuance of the use of such descriptive epithets only tends to perpetuate the barrier between the black and the white."

So the negro in Cuba is causing trouble; wants to remove "the barrier between the black and white." In North Carolina Pritchard, Butler & Co. are trying to accomplish the same object.

THE FREE PRESS has received a new newspaper press. Our force has not quite learned how to operate it yet so as to obtain the best results, therefore the print the last few days has not been good. This trouble will soon be overcome. It is a large press, capable of printing two 9-column pages or four 6-column pages. The daily will continue five columns, but longer by about two inches, giving 40 inches increased space in the daily. The semi-weekly has been increased from seven to eight columns and longer columns, giving 155 inches more space each issue, or equivalent to about a page of the 7-column size. We intend to make still further improvements in THE FREE PRESS, and trust that the people will give the paper increased patronage to justify same.

A MEMORY OF BROOK FARM.

Hawthorne in a Pillow Fight With Two Girls.

I do not recollect Hawthorne's talking much at the table, says Mrs. Ora Gannett Sedgwick in The Atlantic in "A Girl of Sixteen at Brook Farm." Indeed he was a very taciturn man. One day, tired of seeing him sitting immovable on the sofa in the hall, as I was learning some verses to recite at the evening class for recitation formed by Charles A. Dana, I darily took my book, pushed it into his hands and said, "Will you hear my poetry, Mr. Hawthorne?" He gave me a sidelong glance from his very shy eyes, took the book and most kindly heard me. After that he was on the sofa every week to hear me recite.

He was one evening alone in the hall, sitting on a chair at the farther end, when my roommate, Ellen Slade, and myself were going up stairs. She whispered to me, "Let's throw the sofa pillows at Mr. Hawthorne." Reaching over the banisters, we each took a cushion and threw it. Quick as a flash he put out his hand, seized a broom that was hanging near him, warded off our cushions and threw them back with sure aim. As fast as we could throw them at him he returned them with effect, hitting us every time, while we could hit only the broom. He must have been very quick in his movements. Through it all not a word was spoken. We laughed and laughed, and his eyes shone and twinkled like stars with laughter. Wonderful eyes they were, and when anything witty was said I always looked quickly at Mr. Hawthorne, for his dark eyes lighted up as if flames were suddenly kindled behind them, and then the smile came down to his lips.

We laughed merrily and went off to bed, vanquished, without a word. I suppose Mr. Hawthorne's face must have worn that wonderful smile, which always seemed suddenly kindled behind his eyes, twinkled there for a second and then ran swiftly over his intensely grave face.

The Abyssinians make a tea from the leaves of a certain plant which has such stimulating qualities that to chew a single leaf will produce all the effects of a strong cup of tea.

A Testimonial from Old England.

"I consider Chamberlain's Cough Remedy the best in the world for bronchitis," says Mr. William Savory, of Warrington, England. "It has saved my wife's life, she having been a martyr to bronchitis for over six years, being most of the time confined to her bed. She is now quite well." Sold by J. E. Hood, druggist.

YOUTHS' DEPARTMENT.

Harold's Unexpected Voyage—Pretty Birds Found in India—Doll-makers in Germany.

Harold lived in Ohio, and once, when he was still a little boy, his father and mother took him to visit his uncle, who lived by the seashore. Harold never before had seen the ocean nor any body of water greater than the Maumee river, so the wide spreading bay was a source of great interest to him, and he was never tired of playing on its sandy shore or of watching the waves roll in and gently break at his feet.

The boats skimming its surface were strange and interesting, and he loved to watch them flying hither and thither like great swans, whose only object was to gratify their desire for pleasure.

One day his father and mother, his uncle and aunt and his cousins went in bathing. The water was clear and warm, and they had a fine time splashing about and swimming; all but Harold. He preferred to play in a boat which by chance happened to be floating in the shallow water.

While the others were in the water and Harold was in the boat the tide was rising, rising so slowly that it was imperceptible until it was full. Then it began to run out again—ebbing. It is called.

When it was time to dress, Harold's father called him, for Harold had on his bathing suit. But the ebbing tide had floated the boat quite away from the shore until it was held only by the long anchor rope.

Harold seized the rope which held the boat and began to pull himself to dry land. The boat was so small that he did not find this hard work; but, by and by, he reached the end of the rope, where it was fastened to an anchor that had been laid on the ground while the tide was low, but which was now covered with water.

As soon as the boat floated over the anchor the boy lifted it from the ground. This was unexpected, and for a little while he didn't know what to do. But he pulled the anchor into the boat and prepared to go ashore. While he had been deliberating the strong tide had drifted the little boat so far from shore that he couldn't get out, and before he realized it he was drifting out to sea.

Fortunately he was discovered in time, and his father called to him to sit still and wait until another boat could be procured to come to his rescue. So Harold sat down and waited.

His father and uncle ran along the beach until they found another boat, while his mother and aunt ran after them with oars. But by this time Harold had drifted a mile or more away. The tide helped his father's boat also, and it was not a great while before Harold was overtaken and lifted into the larger boat, and, with the runaway in tow, they rowed ashore.

It is a good thing to know that an anchor is of more use in the water than in a boat when the boat wants to run away. It is also a good thing to obey orders. Had Harold given way to fright or had attempted to help himself there is no knowing what might have happened.

Pretty Birds in India.

The most variegated bird in the world is the pitta bengalensis, which is found in India and Ceylon and in the plumage of which no fewer than nine different colors are distinguishable and which in consequence has been called the nine colored pitta. With its long legs, short tail and plump body it bears considerable resemblance to a thrush. Its colors are gay and beautifully harmonized. Its powerful long beak is curved on top and is generally held firmly closed. The foot is widely spread, the middle toe very long. The wings are short and well rounded. The bird is a light brown, with black stripes on the upper part of its body. The head and sides of the neck are black, while a white line passes over the eyes, forming a kind of eyebrow, and the throat and part of the back are also white. The other parts under the body are a yellowish brown, with a greenish tinge. The tail and underparts of the wings are bright scarlet. The tops of the wings are a bluish green, while the long wing feathers are a pale blue. The tips of the shoulders have spots of azure blue, and the pinions are black. Their short wings do not permit of any extended flight, and their long legs show that much of their time is passed on the ground. They feed on different kinds of beetles, which they crush with their strong beaks. A specimen has lately been placed in the Berlin zoological garden.

German Dollmakers.

In Germany there are whole communities of people who make dolls, while families work all day at dollmaking, each one having his own part to do. Not only do these families make dolls,

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but the fathers and mothers of these fathers and mothers made dolls, and so did the grandfathers and grandmothers. A man making a doll out of a piece of wood, using a knife to do it, will draw himself up proudly and tell you that his grandfather made the same kind of a doll.

The mothers in the families cut out the bodies, the children make and stuff them, the fathers paint and treat the faces. In some families where there is a great deal of talent the whole family makes heads.

Some of these dollmakers have come to New York, and they live near together, making a little German village of dollmakers. These people make only the rag dolls which we see in the stores, dressed in gingham and wearing sunbonnets on their heads. Some of the women and girls make the clothing and bonnets, the boys stuff the bodies, and as in Germany, the men make the faces.

The door that Dante saw had this inscription over it: "Despair of hope, all ye who enter here." When man despairs of hope he drains the very dregs of despair.

There are certain forms of disease to which medical ignorance and popular superstition have given the title of "Hopeless." That very fact handicaps the sufferers from such diseases by robbing them of the courage to try to regain health. This is particularly true of lung diseases. As soon as disease fastens on the lungs, the victim sits down, makes his will, and awaits his fate. He wouldn't act that way if he were bitten by a tarantula or a rattlesnake. He'd fight then for his life. But he is under the influence of the ignorant and superstitious, that write "Despair of hope" over the door of such diseases as by neglect or unskillful treatment may end fatally in consumption.

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