## Rockingham Rocket.

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Easity Frightened.

A fine show of bravery sometimes does as effectual service as the courage which is conscious of having practical defence at its back. A brave blast of trumpets will often cause a citadel to capitulate, even in these modern days.

An American traveler, while returning home at nightfall through one of the suburbs of Paris, suddenly encountered a savage-looking fellow who, stepping up to him, demanded his money

The American replied by clapping a pistol to his assailant's head and then, as the man recoiled, seizing him by the throat and shouting for help. A policeman happening to be within hearing, the thief was secured, and brought up for examination the next morning ..

Scarcely had he been sentenced when the magistrate turned sharply upon the American, asking, "Monsieur, have you a license to carry firearms?"

"No, I haven't."

"Then I must fine you for having that pistol in your possession." "But is there any fine for carrying a pistol which cannot be fired?"

"Well, then, I'm all right, for my

Here the thief broke out with a

cry of fury and despair, at having been so easily deceived, and probably he will always remember the occasion as one on which his native wit had deserted him.

In Brief, and to the Point,

Dyspepsia is dreadful. Disordered liver is misery. Indigestion is a foe to good nature.

The human digestive apparatus is one of the most complicated and wonderful things in existence. It is have been content all my life to coneasily put out of order.

Greasy food, tough food, sloppy food, bad cookery, mental worry, hours, irregular - habits, and many other things which ought not to be, have made the American people a nation of dyspeptics.

But Green's August Flower has done a wonderful work in reforming this sad business and making the American people so healthy that they can enjoy their meals and be

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Cleveland and Gray.

"If we, the Democrats, had

of success for the party in '88 would

have been very doubtful. While,

Mr. Hill, I think, is fully as strong

in New York State as Mr. Cleveland.

Cleveland were crowded out. If the

President said he would not have a

renomination, and step aside entire-

ly of his own accord, we could carry

result of a defeat to the Democrats

would affect our chances, so I felt

affect theirs. A victory was as im-

portant to them as it was to us, and

a defeat would be as disastrous .-

could hold the balance of power,

would lose the State. But now they

will come back to their old party

faith, and the Democrats have noth-

will be made up in New York and

Indiana again. It will be Cleveland

and Gray, and it will be elected .-

Whatever they may say about carry-

ing other States, New York and In-

diana are the States they must have.

Gray is strong, especially with the

young Democracy, and that ticket

A Remarkable Watch Dial.

A gentleman connected with

Illinois Watch Company has a w

derfully curious watch dial. Instead

of the numerals to denote the hot

there are eleven small but very

tinct silhouette figures, represent

a man out with his dogs for a day

sport. At 7 o'clock he is seen start-

ing out with his gun and dog; at 8

o'clock he makes a shot; at 9 o'clock

he has a sand-hill crane which niea

ures as long as himself; at 10 o'doc

the man and dog are scared at the

sight of a jack rabbit, which is sit-

ting upon his hind legs, with his

long ears raised above the bushes;

at 11 o'clock the hunter takes a

drink, and while in this attitude the

dog sits in front of his master, with

his nose pointing directly at the

flask; at 12 o'clock the sportsman is

seen sitting on a stump, and is eating

a lunch-the dog is eyeing the piece

of bread which the hunter has in his

hand. At 1 o'clock he starts out to

fish the rest of the day, and so he

takes his dog and tackle and goes to

which is behind his master, has been

caught with the hook by an attempt

to throw in his line; at 3 o'clock he

cannot be beaten in 1888."

other assistance.

From the Jewelry News.

Congressman Bynum, of Indiana,

Life's good gifts come, And, lo! unheeded under foot we tread

The bloom that for us sweetness mi

Broad highways lead Up from the fens of darkness and desp Yet our poor faltering feet must sur

Our true friends reach strong hands to help us o'er the heights

Yet to our alien ears their cries are vain

Ah, me! when from our eyes

the Southern Christian Advocate,

suggesting that South or North Car-

olina was the location of Paradise or

letter was written with reference to

Boston University, that the Garden

tention of ridiculing such a foolish

idea, though there may be a good

deal of common sense in what the

Bishop says. We copy a few ex-

"If the "Cradle of the Human

Race" is to be found at the North

Pole, of course no one can think or

look toward it without seeing Bos-

ton and its university. Whatever

may be the merits of the Doctor's

theory, he has at least loosened up

out as a dissolving camera.

I take it for granted that the the

ory which places Eden at the North

Pole makes it straddle both hemis-

America. I suppose, too, the sug-

degrees North; and also in 1804 one

was found in Siberia. Both, how-

ever, had very close set red wool an

inch and a half long over the skin-

an Arctic covering in fact. Then I

suppose the Arctic day of six months

would be quite a windfall to those

morning" of the first day.

tracts:

-The Open Court.

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indicating at a greater depth a mine the current then had. We own them not-by glance or touch or of this mineral.

were not floated into this place by itude to which they were accustom- down the back to the bottom hem. swift day rends the veil, yet all too the action of sea currents, but were ed. They would determine the di- And I will further make a solenin New York with Hill. As I felt the How shall we stand and mourn without Wringing frail hands in impotent surprise! alluvial plains around, and mead- the ark under this supposition had be got off the car was the only missan exhuberant flora, their original and the 40th parallels have sprung of. Letter From Bishop Keener About the Location of the Garden of Eden. habitat. Only a region supplying the great philosophers, warriors, plants fed by a heavy phosphate statesmen and discoverers of the Bishop Keener of the Southern Methodist Church, writes a letter to

such enormous bone. 4. 'As these several species mul- Minor. Whether behemoth was made in nians. the theory of Dr. Warren, of the Eden, we know that he was reviewed there, and there named by Adam. pistol has no lock, and I intended of Eden was situated at the North And the Almighty says, speaking to that day to take it to a gunsmith for Pole, and we presume with an in- Job: "Behold now behemoth, which From the Detroit Free Press ike an ox."

further strengthened by the build- flew off. This may or may not have ing of the ark. As the race had not been the first time in his life that be been separated by dispersion or lost a suspender button, but he took language, it is to be supposed that it so much to heart that I guess it Noah lived not very far from the

time required the same conditions ed at me: of material and shape now essential "do you know whether I've got in naval architecture. Indeed, the single button left on any of my gar Eden. It is now fairly at sea. I dimensions of the ark are now those ments?" sider the question as settled, and of a first class sea steamer for freight, "What is it, dear?" have been content to think of "Mes. and are the standard proportions in Doctor says that the Arctic circle designed for speed and a long voy- five or ten years and catch up the furnishes the true solution of the age. Had it been made only to loose buttons!" fascinating problem. "This perennial start from a given point and float "Why, there's only one button interest in the search for the Garden about for 150 days and then ground of Eden" was, says the Review, the at no great distance from the point jiffys. Let me get my needle andinspiration of Columbus; that "he of departure, it would have been '

cherished the conviction almost, per- shaped heavy and square. haps actually, to his dying day, that The timbers for such a vessel of or later I'd have to do my own sew he had discovered Paradise." "One length, over 500 feet, required tim- ing, and now the climax has arrivto the dyspeptic. Ask your drug of the most pathetic passages to be ber of continuous length and great ed." gist for a bottle. Seventy-five cents found in all literature," says Doctor strength. The cypress was entirely Warren, "is that in which he and too brittle for the purpose. Its knees nounces to his royal patrons his dis. and ribs would require such wood ter sew on my own buttons, and I covery of the ascent to the gate of as the live oak, grown near the sea, might as well begin now !" the long lost Garden of Eden." Of used to storms, and of a grain run- I had needle and thread and course Columbus was mistaken. It ning every way, bearing equally thimble at hand, but he turned may be, however, that he was not well a strain from every direction. away. Supper was all ready, and so far out of the way as Dr. Warren Large quantities of pitch and tar when I mentioned the fact he re supposes. At least there remains would be required for pitching plied: something to be said in favor of heavily to the within and without. "Go and eat it, then! I have no Southern latitudes in connection The word "gopher" means "pitch," time. I have got 200 or 300 buttons with Eden. Columbus landed too "pine," and it is probable that the to sew on." low. The next point that attracted gopher wood was the wood of the . He wouldn't even permit me to

> a mammoth in 1771 in a tributary of the Lena, in Siberia, latitude 65 lands.

The breaking up of the deep, etc., ceed, when I called: at the time of the deluge, would not mply necessarily any very great in?" change in the conformation of the Lord at the creation had in view the tons !" who want "more room" in the Mo- possibility of the flood, as well as of saic account of "the evening and the the "fall," and arranged accordingly. button?" When "the ark was lifted up, and Now, suppose we bring Eden went upon the face of the waters," in the house, or if there was you \$8.00 the Santee and Savannah, with its strike the gulf stream. Floating on He came out, locked the came out, lock several rivers and inlets, between the the sea current it would take a started off, and in-half an hour I keep on hand, and am continually reaving an elegant line of GOOD ROOKS. 30th and the 40th parallels of lati-We have for it this much to the 40th parallel, and then would go buttons, running from a pearl to an due East, and, as many a helpless overcoat button. He also had three In and near the Cooper and craft since, would come within sight papers of needles and five spools of

for their variety; very huge, very Spain into the Meditrrranean, across asked as he returned. many, and evidently of many disthe lower part of Greece, then over "Never! It is too late! I may tinct species. We put this against the plains of Asia Minor, and, still get through in time for breakfast, all solitary individuals as yet dis- holding the same parallel, strike but you can clear off the supper his opinion, to the Star reporter, of covered in or near the Arctic regions. Mount Ararat. The distance from table. I have been losing buttons the late election in New York as fol-2. Besides those remains, which, Charleston to Mount Arrarat is 131 for the last five years, and now I lows: from the amount of silica in them, degrees of latitude, say 8,515 miles. propose to sew them all on."

have resisted the actions of time and The time the ark was on the water. When he had locked the door acids, there are phosphate masses in was 150 days, or 3,600 hours. Off again he got out every coat and vest which these molars are imbedded. Cape Hatteras the gulf stream has and pair of pants from the closet and Probably the large bones returned to the velocity of two miles an hour; sat down to his buttons. I am telltheir original source. Then there this would leave very little to be ing you the solemn truth when I are scattered about small and large overcome, if anything, when we al- say that I looked through the key-

pabulum could support creatures of race, including the Saviour, St. Paul,

tiplied from a single pair, masses of Now, if any one differs from this high. Between the two he got into ly settles the question in 1888. The Garden of Eden, and the Ark nright their remains would not probably view, I am content. I do not press trouble. It didn't seem to make any Republican party is badly disorgan have been built in either State. The indicate the place of their origin, it. I leave it to you South Caroli-

BY MRS. BOWSER.

The other evening, when Mr. Bow-These views, if correct, are still corner, one of his suspender buttons was the first. He came it to the house with the look of a man who The construction of a vessel at the had been deeply injured, and shout-

"Don't what-is-it-dear me, Mrs. opotamia" as the acknowledged the English Admiralty office. It Bowser! If you were half a wife home of our first parents. But the was a long, narrow vessel evidently you'd look over my clothes once in

gone, and I'll have that fixed in two

"No, I won't! It has been plain to me for the last year that sooner

"Just one minute, Mr. Bowser." "Not one second! I shall hereaf-

attention of those in search of the long-leaf pine. I need not say that give him the needle and thread. He site of Paradise was the Florida either of the Carolinas could have hunted around and found a darning coast. That vision, too, at last went furnished the materials in abund-needle and some coarse thread, and went up to his room and locked the That the ark was built somewhat door with a great bang. I went up inland for convenience of timber, is after supper and looked through the probable. Yet not very far, as the key-hole. He hadn't got the button pheres, and that brings it into principal weight of its cargo was to on yet. As the needle was larger be graminivorous stock, and large than the eyes he had tried to enlarge I heard that he actually took the gestion sprang from the discovery of quantities of dried herbage, both of the latter with a bodkin, and therewhich was to come from meadow by broken them all into one. He was bothered to know how to pro-

"Mr. Bowser, won't you let me

"No, ma'am! Your place is in the continents, nor in the sea currents. parlor, reading the last French story We must also remember that the while your husband sews on his but-

"But shan't I get you another "No! There are no other buttons

op it on hand and can furnish it at the down South; say as far as Charles it started due East if it started near wouldn't know it! I shall go down

the Ashley Rivers there is a vast col- of Spain and Africa. But those coasts thread, and to these he had added lection of the remains of the largest being submerged, there would be two dozen safety-pins.

and vertebre. These are remarkable would pass over the plateaus of sew on that button, Mr. Bowser?" I cure it.

boulders of the phosphate of lime, low for the uninterrupted flow which hole and saw him deliberately cut I doubt if we could elect him if Mr. every button off of two vests and a It is not likely that animals would pair of pants, and he took one of his 3. This shows that these animals be landed in any other than the lat- new shirts and coolly ripped it clear here from the first and found in the rection of the ark. The pathway of affidavit that the button he lost when ows filled with bulbous plants, and a blessing on it. Between the 30th ing button he had ever complained the defeat of the Republicans would

When he had cut the buttons off, as described, he lighted the gas and got out his needles and thread. Mr. They put forth all their strength, St. John and the churches of Asia Bowser is a near-sighted man, and fully appreciating the importance of our gas fixtures are hung pretty the contest, and the result practicalneedle he threaded. Instead of jab- shall carry New York in 1888. bing the thread at the needle he jab- also insures to us my own State, Inbed the needle at the thread. After diana. Indiana is naturally a Demabout twenty jabs he'd get discour- ocratic State, but there was this one aged and select another needle, or thing we had to fear-the labor pareye, doubled it up and tied a great If it indicated that the labor party knot at the end, and after twenty minutes of hard work he got the missing button back on his pantaloons. In his nervousness he put on a brass blouse button with a shank. and he used just three yards of doubled thread to make it secure.

It was ten o'clock before he came down stairs. He had given up the job with the one button.

"Well, have you got through?" sked.

"Got through! Do you expect can sew on 284 buttons in two

"Well. I'll see to the rest in the

"No, you won't! Don't you dare to touch any of my clothing! The worm has finally turned, and he proposes to take care of himself after this !"

Next morning he put on one of the vests he had stripped of buttons and fastened it with five safety pins. ocratic victory complete without any He put on a coat from which he had cut two buttons, and those were also replaced by the pins. He came down and paraded around to attract my notice, and I finally said:

"Mr. Bowser, I want to beg your forgiveness. I knew there were over 200 buttons off your clothes, but I was shiftless and slack. This wi be a great moral lesson to me, and promise you-"

"Didn't I tell you the worm 'had urned !" he interrupted as he waved his hand in an imperious way. "I have got to go down town in this fashion. People will remark it and of course they will understand how

He was gone about twenty minutes, and then sneaked back, slipped softly up stairs and changed his clothes and skipped out. Next day car to go down in his safety-pin suit. He had scarcely got seated when he heard a passenger whisper: "Why, look at that fat, bald-headed old coon over there! Is he a tramp or an escaped lunatic?"

"That feller?" was the reply. "Why, that's old Bowser! I'll bet he's rigged out that way to spite his

When Mr. Bowser came up to dinner neither of us mentioned buttons. It was not until he was ready to leave the house that he said :

"Mrs. Bowser, this must never happen again-never! You are my wife, but don't drive me too far-too

A Baby Like a Gale of Wind. Why is a newly-born baby like a

a squall. Cold gales induce coughs up, but the man is holding fast to

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BEST OF STYLE

No. 47. And at Living Prices. other hand he starts out for home, the dog following behind with his

head hanging down, being tired out. in Washington recently, expressed The man's name is also painted in the centre of the dial in rustic letters. The dial reflects a great deal of credit upon the artist, Mr. Charles Geyer.
The figure VI is superseded by the beaten Mr. Cleveland could not have been renominated, and the chances

From the Detroit Free Press

Noah was the first An-ark-ist. Bjornson calls himself "Beeyorn-

Crematories are preparing for a red-hot campaign this fall.

A railway collision is the most unpopular short-stop in this country. Chas. Dickens, Jr., reads better than his father, but the old man had the bulge on him in writing.

The Czar, it is said, can break a poker across his knee. Still, many Americans could give him points on poker. as salatement worten

Chambers' Journal says that no original joke has been made for the last few centuries. That may be true-in England.

A medical paper says that smoking is a greater evil than chewing tobacco, and adds, "of two evils 'chews'

Edison will place 500 improved break the thread off at a new spot. ty was just waiting for the result of phonographs in the market next. He finally got the thread into the the George movement in New York. January. Buy one of them. It will prove a sound investment.

The St. James Gazette says that then they would go over, and the the bulk of America's population is danger would be that the Democrats | fed not on wheat, but on maize,-That is an amazing statement. We refuse to acknowledge the corn.

An Ohio family were made ill by ing to fear. The Democratic ticket eating poisoned pie. Any one who would add to the already deadly character of the American pie by putting poison in it, is a fiend.

Papers are in the habit of describing an awful accident with the headline, "Not a soul saved." Such a statement is going rather beyond the province of a newspaper. In the

The largest orange in the world This looks very much like the has recently been raised in Florida. Democratic ticket for 1888, and we It is fifteen and one-half inches don't know that it could be bettered. around and weighs two pounds, two As the one is from New York and ounces. It should be sent to Belfast the other from Indiana they would where the biggest Orangemen are. doubtless assure us those two im-Dr. Clouston describes a Dr. Jekvll portant States, while New Jersey and

and Mr. Hyde case that came under a solid South could make the Demis notice. In one state of mind the adthrift, dirty and this passed off he pulous about al and relig-

ve years except her e Mercy of Tibework it is said that million copies have Any author who can such a sale as that isn't at the mercy of Tiberius or anybody

"Temporary suicide by a man unknown while in an unsound state of mind," was the somewhat peculiar verdict returned by a Coroner's jury the other day. The officer of the Crown rubbed his crown and sighed. All these jurors are passing through the world as fairly sane folk. and perhaps they are on ordinar takes his dog and tackle and goes to occasions. People often get mixed the water; at 2 o'clock the dog, at "Crowners' quests."—Julge,

W. D. Sult, Druggist, Bippus, Ind. estifies: "I can recommend Electric and the dog are all straightened out Bitters as the very best remedy. again, and the line is in the water; Every bottle sold has given relief in he has both hands on the pole, and every case. One man took six bothis foot braced on a stump by the tles, and was cured of Rheumatism water's edge as though he had a tre-mendous bite; at 5 o'clock the man firms: "The best selling medicine I has got a big fish on his line, which have ever handled in my 20 years' has pulled him off his feet, and he experience, is Electric Bitters."gale of wind? Because it begins with falls on the dog and doubles him all Thousands of others have added their testimony, so that the verdict is unanimous that Electric Bitters do and croup. Taylor's Cherokee Rem- the pole, which is almost bent dou- cure all diseases of the Liver, Kidmammals, specially of their molars nothing to deflect the current, but it "Won't you cat supper and let me edy of Sweet Gum and Mullein will ble; at 5 o'clock he is all straightenneys or Blood. Only a half dollar a ed out again; with his fish in the bottle at Fowlkes & Co's drug store