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#### THE JOURNAL.

E. E. HARPER, - - Proprietor. C. T. HANCOCK, - Local Reporter.

Entered at the Postofice at New Berne.

Judge Jackson of Louisville, Ky., has decided that property in a dog cannot be sit up unless the dog has been duly registered according to the saw of the State. This ruling was made in a case wherein a man sought to recover possession of a mastiff worth \$100, which had been stolen from him and sold to a third party.

The medical authorities of Sweden have recommended the government to introduce the requisite regulations for women to become apothecaries. In Norway women have been six years entitled to study pharmacy, and manage and own dispensaries. In Finland there are seven women anotheearies, and in Russia several have availed themselves of the right of entering the examinations. The owners of the dispensaries appear averse to receiving women students, and none have gained admission to any establishment in St. Petersburg.

One of the most valuable passages in Charles A Dana's address at the semi-centennial celebration of the founding of the New York Tribune. was the following: "He (Horace Greeley) was a man of almost no eduention-indeed of no education at all except what he had acquired for himself. The worst school that a man can be sent to, and the worst of all it is for a man of genius, is what is called a self-education. There is no greater misfortune for a man of extra-Ordinary talent than to be educated by himself, because he has of necessity a very poor schoolmaster. There is nothing more advantageous to an able youth than to be thrown into contact with other youths in the conflicts of study and in the struggle for superi. ority in the school and in the college. That was denied to Mr. Greeley. He knew no language but his own; but of that he possessed the most extraordinary mastery. His wit and his humor flowed out in idiomatic forms of expression that were surprising and delightful, and that remain in the mind almost forever." This illustrates the fact, adds the New York Independent, that, important as a classical education is, it is not essential to a strong English style. Beight and Cobbett and Greeley are examples of an admirable English style, with no Latin or Greek culture. The great Greek masters of style were men of one language.

It is rum red, learns the New Orleans Picayune, that a new republic is about to seek admission into the sisterhood of nations. At present the prospective republic consists of nothing but a group of small islands 125 miles east of Honduras and 325 miles south of Jamaica, known as the Seranna Banks, which many years ago fell under the protection of the United States. A Dr. Valdemar Alstrom, who is largely interested in Hondaras, some time ago discovered that these islands contained invaluable deposits of guano, besides large quantities of ebony, mahogany, dyestuffs and other marketable commodities. He stated these facts to Emil Lindburg, of St. Louis, and a number of prominent Swedes, with Captain Lindburg at their head, organized and purchased the title to the islands. Captain Lindburg was recently interviewed on the subject. and said: "We are not seeking any newspaper notoriety just now. We don't want to get into any international muddle, but we shall go to work in a legal way and establish a model republic, founded on the Swiss model of cantons. I understand that a Baltimore company which owns another group of islands in the Caribbean sea, and is getting out guano and valuable woods, has in contemplation a similar scheme. We shall, in all likelihood, preserve the present name, and call it the Republic of Serann .."

Out of the 32,000,000 of subjects over whom Victoria now reigns as Queen of Great Britain, taken in round numbers, about 32,000 are said to be blind.

#### Nearly.

Two stars within a summer sky Grew nearer as the summer sped; So bold the one, the other shy: Two proper little stars to wed. watched to see their bridal kiss; But autumn brought me grief and wonder,

For or the very eve of bliss My stars began to move asunder.

Nearly! nearly! Yet to wander Lonely o'er creation's sea, Stars that sadly twinkle yonder, Foolish little stars are ye. Nearly! ab, nearly.

Two longing hearts with love were gay. As coming joys they counted o'er: Life's path to them a flowery way. Where sunrise lingered evermore. But then there came a hasty word, They should have kissed from memory's

They love, so says a little bird. As broken hearts have love I for ages!

Nearly' nearly! Yet to sever: ( an your poths not verge again? Has the day gone down forever? Have the blossoms bloomed in vain? Nearly! ab, nearly! - [Thomas Frost.

#### HUMOROUS.

The Blarney stone is merely a sham rock after all.

When a horse rears it is very much alive, even if it does seem to be on its

The distant relative is the one who is afraid that you are going to borrow

She-Do you know the hour of the day when Adam was created? He-No; except that it was before Eve.

Maud-George told me last night that I was his little duck. Ethel-He probably discovered that you were no

Mrs. Gabb- I hear Mrs. Dadd is going to move. Mrs. Dadd-Yes, she moves every six months since she got her new furniture.

"I'm on to you," said the drop of ink to the blotter, in a tone of considerable asperity. "Dry up," said the blotter savagely.

The best thing about the good old times is that they have not got a return ticket. The past can't come back if it want's to ever so lead.

"I am surprised at Charley's squandering so much money on a phonograph." "Well, I'm not. He always did like to hear himself talk."

Miss Lovell (just engaged) -Oh, George! You are good enough to eat. Mr. Fearing-Sh! Don't speak so lond! Bruno's just outside the win-

The tongue is a tell-tale member, Doctors look at it to see if the patient's stomach is out of order, and the general public frequently learns from it that the owner's mind is out of order.

If everyone knew what every one thought about every one else the only real friend a man would have would be the little worthless yellow dog that never dies and refuses to be given

## Dream Superstitions of Indians,

In Mr. Thurnim's claborate work on the Indians of Guiana he tells us that the dreams which come to the Indian are to him as real as any of the events of his waking life. To him dream acts and waking acts differ only in one respect-namely, that the former are done only by the spirits, the latter being done by both the spirits and the body. Seeing other men asleep, and afterwards hearing them tell the things which they supposed themselves to have done when asleep, the Indian has no trouble in reconciling that which he hears with the fact that the bodies of the sleepers were in his sight and motionless throughout the time of the supposed action, because he never questions that the spirit, leaving the body, plays its part in all dream adventures. In some respects this odd superstition compare favorably with the beliefs of the Mediaval Germans, who were of the opinion that the soul could leave the body while the latter was asleep, and then again return without the sleeper's knowledge. In undergoing these transformations the soul usually took on the form of a small red mouse .-St. Louis Republic.

## A Deaf Mute Cow.

Alexander Skerkoff, the Russian veterinary surgeon, reports the case of a deaf-mute cow. She is 12 years old, of Algava breed; belongs to a Russian nob'eman, and has never shown signs of hearing or been known to bellow. Seeing that other cows bellow she tries to imitate them, stretching out her head and opening her mouth; not, however, producing the least semblance to a sound. Two of her offspring have been curiously malformed. One lad its tail directly between its eves; it lived but a week. The other is a full-grown cow of 5 years, with her udder in her flank, about eight inches from her backbone. -[St. Louis Republic.

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Electrical inventions are numerous in this the close of the nineteenth centnry, and one of the latest to be found is the writing telegraph. The system of the writing telegraph instrument consists in transmitting from one station and receiving at another, the compound movement of a point in two di-

rections, one at an angle to the other. With this invention a person may take the writing stylns in his hand, and as he writes a duplicate pen at the distant end of the line produces fac-simile characters as produced by him. Edward Cowper of England was the first inventor of a writing instrument. There have been many patents since, but the one owned by the Writing Telegraph Company in New York is one of the most satisfactory. The stylus rod, when moved in forming letters, pulls the pen electrically and writes on the moving ribbon of paper. The electric currents make the pen at the receiving station record the same movements as the one at the sending station. The characteristics of the handwriting of the operator all appear at the other end of the line. When one operatator wishes to correspond with another station he sends the number of the station to the central office and the person calling up can begin his communications without delay. A bell taps every eight seconds to notify that a message is being recorded. The message is recorded whether the person be in or out. The instru-ment is all automatic. The average speed of the instrument is about twenty-five words a minute. To use this telegraph one need not be an operator. All that is required is a knowledge of how to write and a minute's practice in writing on a moving ribbon of paper.

A Glaring Fraud.

"What is your specialty?" inquired the visitor at the dime museum. you the living skeleton?" "No," answered the cadaverous party

on the elevated platform. "I'm doing the forty-five-day fasting act.' "How long have you been fasting?" "This is the tirty-seventh day."

"Have you eaten nothing since you began?" "Nothing-that is to say, nothing you can call eating. They give me perhaps a pint or two of bean soup every morn-

ing and evening, but that's all.' And you call that fasting?" exclaimed the visitor, purple in the face and grasping his cane nervously. "You are au infernal humbug! Why, good heavens, man!" he roared, trembling with rage,

bean-soup is-But the attendants hastily seized the maddened visitor and hurried him out of the building. He was a gentleman from Boston.

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