



Chase County Courant.

W. E. TIMMONS, Editor.

COTTONWOOD FALLS, - KANSAS

THE CANADIAN SKIP.

A Financial Expert in Exile Gives Some Free Advice to the Uninitiated.

When cash is gone and life grows weary and everything is turning down...

Skip! skip! for Canada's free cities, The there you have them on the hip...

If you have bagged a hundred thousand, You safely there can sit it down...

Skip! skip! across the neutral border We crook the duty, and the lip...

Society of every color Here greets the traveler for his health...

Skip! skip! to this retreat Elysian, Give Uncle Sam this quiet slip...

A JEALOUS BEY

What Came of a Doctor's Visit to an Egyptian Harem.

Dr. Edward Warren, in his forthcoming book, "A Doctor's Experiences in Three Continents," gives the following amusing account of his professional visits to a harem in Egypt...

I came near being the cause of a divorce on one occasion, by simply doing that which I considered to be demanded by the laws of common politeness...

On my second visit, by some accident I left my dragoman at home, and found on my arrival at the Bey's residence, that his master was absent...

I was delighted with the manner in which I had been entertained, and I departed, rejoiced in the conviction that I had made a good impression on the invalid, and had secured the family en permanence as friends and patrons.

At an early hour on the succeeding morning I received a message from the Bey to the effect that his wife had gone to the country for a change of air...

"Oh, Doctor," he exclaimed, as he entered my office, "the Bey is terribly angry with you. He is going to visit the Khedive to complain that you have insulted him and to ask for redress."

"He says that you shall be driven out of the country for the great outrage that you have perpetrated in his house on yesterday. You are in serious trouble. I am sorry that I was not with you."

"I was as polite and respectful as possible as a gentleman and a physician in every way. Of what does the old fool complain?"

"He says that you have violated the Mohammedan law—that you have offered an insult to the religion and the customs of the country, and he swears by the beard of the Prophet that you shall be punished for it. He has already punished his wife."

THE AGE OF GLASS.

An Important Discovery Which May Revolutionize Architecture.

An important discovery has recently been made in the manufacture of glass which bids fair to revolutionize that art as completely as the character of the iron trade has been changed in its methods...

"Well, let him report as soon as he pleases. His Highness has lived in Christian countries, and he knows that to turn one's back on a lady is an offense that no gentleman would think of committing."

"All right, Your Excellency, I think that is the best course to pursue."

I drove at once to the house of the Bey, where I was met by the eunuch with many salaams, professions of friendship, and the assurance that his master was not at home.

Talk about French politeness! It is no more to be compared with that of an Oriental than a mustard seed to a pumpkin. The old Bey was as suave and obsequious as if I had been the Khedive himself.

I then tried to put in a word for his wife, but, while he smiled, bowed and looked the very picture of amiability, he told Achmed in Turkish, knowing that I did not understand the language...

I could learn nothing respecting the fate of the unfortunate wife, and I never saw or heard of the Bey again while I remained in Egypt.

NAPOLION AND LOUISIANA.

The Circumstance That Led to the Sale of a Great Territory.

In 1801 Louisiana was ceded to France by a secret treaty, which, however, did not take effect until March, 1803; and the month following Napoleon sold the newly-recovered colony to the United States for four millions sterling.

"Send your maxims to the London market," retorted the future Emperor with characteristic cynicism.

"The danger to pedestrians from passing close to horses hitched to the curb-stone is exemplified in the following, clipped from the Worcester (Mass.) Spy: 'Miss Mary A. Brown, of Oxford, was passing a vicious horse in the street recently when he made a lunge at her and bit her ear entirely off.'

THE BUSINESS MEN.

Old-Fashioned Barndooers Ahead of Fancy Imported Fowls.

M. E. Leroy, a French Poultry-breeder, has written a work entitled 'La Poule Pratique'—the practical or business hen. The chief object of the book appears to be to dissuade farmers and others, who keep fowls for profit from investing in the fancy breeds of chickens...

The difficulty of heating and cooling glass at an equal rate throughout is the great stumbling-block that has stood in the way of success. Without this the material was liable to crack or explode, a familiar illustration of which is furnished in the breaking of a tumbler when hot water is poured into it...

Nothing is said of the cost of the new glass, which is a most important point in determining the extent to which it will be employed for the purposes above noted.

M. Leroy recommends farmers to keep the common barndoor fowls, giving a preference to those raised near where they are to be kept. He states that they are hardy, require little care, and are possessed of ability to pick up most of the food they require.

UNDERCLOTHING.

The Dangers of Wearing Silk or Chamols. Skin Undergarments.

There is a widely prevalent idea that silk is the best substance from which to make underclothing, and I have known many poor girls to stint themselves in the necessities of life in order to save enough money to purchase silk undergarments.

Rabbit skins, cushions of various kinds and the so-called 'protectors' worn over the chest are horrible affairs, as they prevent the escape of the excretions from the skin and hence facilitate the collection of dirt as well as impeding the proper exercise of one of the most important functions of the body.

There are so many wheelmen in England that much improvement is noticeable in the earth roads and also in the keeping of the roadside inns.

STANDS BY HIS PARTY.

A Strong Article Protecting Against Mugwump Infallibility.

The President stands by the party that stood by him. This hurts the mugwump heart, but would it not be amazing if he should do otherwise? It is to be supposed that no man commits political or any other suicide unless he is insane; that the man is not ungrateful unless he is idiotic; that he does not believe himself to be superior to the intelligence of the majority of his party unless the vanity that kills has eaten into his soul...

It is well enough for this superior being to assume all the airs he can—it is his right so to do; but the gods do not rule in the affairs of this period, and every man of the majority thinks he, by virtue of the power his brethren confer upon him and upon each other, is a better king than any mugwump, whether he has the celestial strawberry mark or not.

These propositions are crude enough. They are, however, as old as the history of government by the people, though not until lately has it been necessary to present them.

RAILWAY MAIL SERVICE.

A Good Chance for the Official Axe to Be Swung.

There is no department of the civil service which needs weeding out more than the railway mail service. For years it has been manipulated as a partisan machine in the interest of the Republican organization.

Measuring Height of a Tree.

A writer in the Garden reproduces an old but convenient method of ascertaining the height of a tree as follows: Suppose I want to find the height of a tree which throws a shadow of twenty feet. In the first place, I cut a stick say three feet long, stick it up opposite the required tree, and measure the shadow of it. We will suppose the stick throws a shadow of two feet; now all I have to do is just to make a simple proportion sum of it:

Shadow of stick 2 feet	Shadow of tree 20 feet	Height of stick 3 feet
		20
		30

The height of a tree throwing a shadow of 20 feet would be 30 feet; because as 2 feet is to 3 feet, so is 20 feet to 30 feet. By this method you can measure any tree that the sun shines upon, provided there is nothing to hinder measuring its shadow.

—A Judge was called on in China recently to decide between two mothers as to whom belonged an infant. He drew a chalk ring on the ground, placed the baby in the center and told the mothers whoever dragged it out must be the owner. One, from affection, declined to pull at the child, and was awarded it.

—Cremation is popular in Alaska. Singing, shaking of rattles and beating of long sticks accompany the ceremony, and are kept up all night. In the morning the body is taken out through a hole in the roof of the house and carried to the funeral pile. The missionaries are trying to break up the practice.

REPUBLICAN RECORD.

Frauds in Cincinnati Committed in the Spring and Fall of 1884.

It is not too late now for the people who are proclaiming their indignation, from an alleged non-partisan standpoint, at alleged frauds in Democratic wards to turn their attention to the enormous frauds in the wards where the Republicans hold undisputed sway; and it is not too late for them to denounce the Republican County Convention, which was so corrupt that the police had to stand between the delegates and candidates to prevent a repetition of the most disgraceful performances that ever characterized politics in this county.

There is yet time though its force will be rather weakened by delay—to deliver hot shot at the disreputable of the legally elected delegates to the Republican City Convention of last spring, and the substitution of ward bummers, who, for mere pay, nominated a ticket which was elected by flagrant fraud. Above all, righteous indignation at the outrages and murders which were committed in behalf of the Republican ticket in October, 1884, should find vent even at this late date.

THE GROWTH OF THE SOUTH.

Its Industrial Activities Greater Now Than Ever Before.

The increase of manufacturing enterprises in the South is remarkable. The new enterprises organized during the first nine months of the present year, taken together with the enlargement of old plants, will employ an aggregate capital of \$52,886,300.

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All They Ask.

It seems to us they wanted to leave the whole lump with democracy. We are unable to see why a Democrat who seeks a small office should be characterized as an impudent spoilsman any more than a Democrat who seeks a great office; or why either of them should be subjected to this reproachful appellation.

The Democrats want the offices because they think they can serve the public better than the Republicans. If they can they should have the offices. If not, the Republicans should be permitted to keep them.

There is nothing in this notion at all inconsistent with the frequently expressed idea of President Cleveland that public office is a public trust. All that the Democracy asks is that whenever a new trustee is to be appointed, a Democrat shall have the opportunity to prove that he will make a more competent and faithful trustee than any Republican that can be selected, or than any mugwump.—N. Y. Sun.

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Republican Negro Protection.

If the Republicans were to regain the Presidency and the control of Congress, they could do nothing to change the conditions or the results of voting at the South. During the last eight years in which Republican Presidents sat in the White House not a finger was raised to 'protect the negroes,' and when they were given a majority in the House they used the power to make Keifer Speaker, to pass an abominable River and Harbor bill, and to juggle with the taxes without reducing them. But not a move did they undertake for the benefit of the 'poor negro.' Senators Everts and Hoar know this perfectly well. They know, too, that the colored people of the South are just as well off to-day as they were under a Republican President, and probably better, and that the Southern elections are rapidly regulating themselves upon a fair basis.—Boston Herald.

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ST. PETER AND THE BASKETS.

St. Peter from the door of Heaven one day Spied two young angels on their happy way...

THE GODDESS TCHI-NIU.

A Beautiful Legend from Chinese Literature.

In the quaint commentary accompanying the text of that holy book of Lao-tseu called Kan-ying-pien may be found a little story so old that the name of the one who first told it has been forgotten...

tables, bearing the ancestral names, before which filial piety must daily burn the incense of prayer, and perform the tender duties of family worship.

"Thou shalt labor no more for any master," she said, "but for thy own sake only. And I have also bought this dwelling, with all which is therein, and the tea fields to the south, and the mulberry groves hard by, all of which are thine."

YOUTH'S DEPARTMENT.

"THE COMING MAN."

It is the lad who loudly talks Of heroes and their mighty deeds, And prates of all the great exploits...

SMALL BEGINNINGS.

The Estimate Put Upon Apparent Tricks by the Eccentric Daniel Drew. The late Daniel Drew, better known on the street as "Uncle Daniel," the renowned Methodist and great manager of finance...

USEFUL AND SUGGESTIVE.

Well ventilated bed-rooms will prevent morning headaches and lassitude. Judicious feeding constitutes the measure of success, both in fattening for beef or feeding for milk.

By this disposition of his men, the brave sergeant had nine stationed on each face of the building, and so flattered himself that it was well guarded. By and by the soldiers grew tired, and not seeing any signs of danger, they knocked at the door of the corner room, and asked permission to alter the arrangement...

The Chase County Court, Official Paper of Chase County, OFFICIAL PAPER OF THIS CITY.

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The Leavenworth Standard, that good and reliable Democratic journal, has put on a new dress and been otherwise improved, which add greatly to its looks and appearance.

The public debt statement under a Democratic administration shows a decrease of \$13,276,774 for the month of October. The total indebtedness of the General Government, deducting available assets, \$1,447,657,000.

The talk about Minnie Walkup is becoming sickening. If the silly little girl did poison her husband she has been declared innocent by twelve farmers and can not be tried again.

There is no better household magazine than Demorest's Monthly; and the November number fully sustains its well-earned reputation.

New York Sun: Damaging as the purchase of the poison by Mrs. Walkup otherwise would have been, in view of the arsenic eating habit of the husband it lost much of its force.

We have received from George Stinson & Co., of Portland, Maine, the well-known Art Publishers, a magnificent, full length, Steel engraving of Gen. Grant.

November 11 the charter for the Chicago, Emporia & Southwestern R. R. Co. was filed with the Secretary of State.

The Index of Babyhood's first year which accompanies its twelfth number (November), comprises nearly four hundred titles, and gives an idea of the subjects covered by this novel mother's companion in its first volume.

Ordnance No. 192, relating to stock running at large within the city of Cottonwood Falls, will be enforced on and after Monday, November 21st.

are destined to find themselves handicapped a few years hence. The writer is Dr. L. E. Holt, visiting physician to the New York Infant Asylum, and he heads his article with the simple and suggestive word "coffee."

Pursuant to the call issued by Dennis Madden, of the Executive Committee of the State League, an informal meeting was held in the Court-house in this city, Saturday evening, November 14, 1885.

The following named gentlemen were then, on motion, appointed as the Executive Committee: W. E. Timmons, John Madden, F. P. Cochran, Bernard Carlin, W. A. Morgan, Falls township; Michael Martin, Michael Quinn, Diamond Creek; P. B. McCabe, Wm. Norton, Bazaar; Patrick Coyne, David Griffith, Toledo; Ed. O'Brien, L. P. Santy, Cottonwood.

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Messrs. Ferry & Watson, of the Falls, will open in a few days in Emulie's new building in this city, one of the finest stocks of goods ever shown in this county.

The new store at Strong City will be under the management of L. C. Ferguson, a brother-in-law of Mr. Watson, who is also, well qualified for the position in this place, and the good people of this place and vicinity will find him a gentleman in every sense of the word.

The religious meetings that have been conducted under the auspices of the M. E. Church, have been the principal attraction here during the past two weeks.

George W. Hays has been putting a new roof on his stock sheds. Cosper Bros. have just put up a new roof on their house, which improves its appearance very much.

There is considerable corn to be gathered yet, and H. Brandy says the crop is not so good on the bottom land as people had generally supposed.

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LONGFELLOW LITERARY SOCIETY. PROGRAMME, FIRST DIVISION, FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21ST, 1885. Song.—By Society. Declaration.—Willie Pugh. Select Reading.—Rena Kinne. Quartette.—A. Louther, Gertie Reet, Katie Mann and Frank Barr.

A meeting of the Burns Club of Chase County will be held in Pratt's Music Hall, on Saturday afternoon, Nov. 28, at 2 o'clock, for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year, making arrangements for the annual celebration and transacting other business.

STOCK HOGS FOR SALE. 150 head at my farm at Cedar Point; healthy and healthy.

Chase County Tax Levies for 1885.

Table with columns: STATE, COUNTY, AC., MILLS. Includes entries for State, County, and various townships like Cottonwood Falls, Strong City, etc.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS. Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received at Strong City National Bank, for the building of an arched culvert at the river east of Dr. Carter's, on the Olberly road, in Falls township.

ROAD NOTICE. Notice is hereby given that on the 10th day of October, 1885, a petition signed by W. A. Smith and 11 others was presented to the Board of County Commissioners of the county and State aforesaid, praying for the location of a certain road, described as follows, viz:

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MISCELLANEOUS. Notice for Publication. LAND OFFICE AT WICHITA, KAS., October 23d, 1885. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Judge, and in his absence, E. A. Knott, Clerk of District Court, at Cottonwood Falls, on November 28, 1885, viz: Philip Peyton Homestead Entry, No. 634, for the northwest quarter (1/4) of southwest quarter (1/4) of section 4, township 21 south of range 35 east.

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POSTAGE STAMPS.

Complete History of the Introduction of these Indispensable Little Trifles.

Thirty-eight years ago the first postage stamps were used in the United States. For 175 years postage had been collected entirely in money, and in all cases prepayment was optional.

On the 5th day of August, soon after the opening of the Postmaster-General's office for the day, an old gentleman called to see Mr. Johnson on business.

Mr. Johnson came into his office, accompanied by the printer of the new stamps, a few minutes after Mr. Shaw had arrived on that August morning.

The two denominations of stamps remained in use four years. In July, 1851, appeared a new series 1 and 3 cents, and soon after a subsequent issue of the additional denominations of 5, 10, 12, 24, 30 and 90 cents.

The aggregate issue of postage stamps in 1854 was 1,459,766,560; in 1855, 2,439,398, and of official stamps, 3,389,440.

The idea of stamped envelopes was also the thought of a Connecticut man. Eleven years after John M. Niles the

Postoffice Department was taken by J. D. Hubbard, of the same State, and, at his suggestion, in June, 1853, the first issue of stamped envelopes began.

WEDDING DRESSES.

Late Styles Whose Richness and Costliness Are Unequaled.

Silver tinsel threads woven in white satin, in plumes or peacock feathers, thus adding greatly to its sheen and richness, is the fabric for the corsage and train of costly wedding dresses.

The richest dresses of silver brocade satin have a flowing train eighty or ninety inches long, bordered with loops of satin set up on the outside; this is a flowing train, yet the top of the breadth are arranged very buoyantly.

The Japanese are among the poliest people in the world. Here is an illustration: A Japanese gentleman called on a Washington lady.

Some time ago, Joseph Arnold, a bank cashier, died and left the town of Derby, Ct., thirty shares of the stock of his bank.

A great English authority on dyspepsia speaks strongly in favor of milk puddings and stewed fruits for the dyspeptic, the bilious and the gouty.

PEARL FISHERIES.

Description of a Peculiar Industry and the Perils That Attend It.

The overfishing of the last fifteen or twenty years is doing for pearls what it did long ago for oysters. Fashion also bears its part in raising prices, and a good set of three black pearl shirt studs can not be got wholesale much under \$40.

There are numerous bivalves which give pearls, but, indifferent or better; but the true pearl-oyster—if oyster it can be called, for it is exactly like an exaggerated oyster—is the Mytilus Margaritifera, or Pinadinaea, which measures from four to six inches in diameter and an inch and a half in thickness.

The diver of the Persian Gulf or of Ceylon attaches a weight of some twenty pounds to his feet to aid in his descent, and carries seven or eight pounds more of ballast in a belt.

The recent census in Massachusetts shows that out of about 350 towns 150 lose in population. The gains are in manufacturing centers, the marked losses in the agricultural districts, and certain compensatory gains in towns which would be expected to lose are due to their being convenient homes for those whose business is in the cities.

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tation the most of them are not uncommon just now. They were first introduced in 1656 by one Jaquin, a French enameler on glass.

SAVED BY SPASMS.

How a Young Doctor Managed to Secure a Lucrative Practice.

"Talking about physis," said an ex-doctor, "reminds me of an incident that occurred during my practice when I was near in the cause, and which, when you hear, you will readily recognize as an important epoch in my professional career.

"The father of this child informed me, while en route to his home, that I was called in because he had heard of the wonderful cure effected in the case of Mr. S.—'s baby. This rather unnerved me, for he told me that Dr. —, from an adjoining town, whom I knew to be an eminent physician, had failed to benefit the little one.

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A NOBLE ROMAN.

He Bleeds in the Defense of an Outraged Wyoming Wife.

"I was in Custer City three years ago, and as dead broke as a skinned wolf," he said, as the boys pumped him to tell how he got such a scar on his face.

"No, sir, I hadn't a blessed nickel, and I didn't know a human being in that town. There was no work, no way to get out, and I leaned again a dead wall and wondered how much my revolver would sell for, and which way I should head if I had ten dollars.

"Who was Hope?" asked one. "She was a female—a woman. I don't remember whether she was as pure as an angel or as homely as a Digger squaw. She flew up to me and says, says she:

"Do I address a gentleman?" "Madam, you haven't made any mistake," says I. "Have you got sand?" "Runs of it, madam."

"My husband! He's a brute and a tyrant! He's just run me out doors at the muzzle of a revolver! He's a big red-faced fellow with a broken nose. Go, and may Heaven be with you."

THE AMENDE HONORABLE.

How a Railroad Hog Was Conquered by Professional Courtesy.

A few days ago, on the Grand Rapids train, a passenger got on at a small station and walked through the coaches without being able to find a seat.

Both men were on their feet in the aisle and ready to spill gore when the conductor came in and shouted to the one who had been called a hog: "Hold on Doctor—what is it?"

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"Dodge Brothers & Pray" is the name of a San Francisco firm. In a land where there are so many earthquakes and drunken miners on a bender their sign really looks very appropriate to a stranger.

RELIGIOUS AND EDUCATIONAL.

The first Presbyterian general assembly met at Philadelphia in 1789. —No less than 18,061 young women are attending the several colleges in this country.

Forty-one thousand copies of the Scriptures in the Turkish language have been distributed among the Mussulmans. —President Eliot, of Harvard University, has quietly nipped in the bud the plan to revive the game of football at that institution.

The whole number of communicants in the Presbyterian Church in 1875-76 was 535,210; in 1884-85, 644,025—a net increase of 108,815, or 20 1/2 per cent. in ten years.

There is reported to be one man in the Freshman class at Yale who is the eldest of nine brothers, all of whom intend to go through that college.

A new technical school has been established in Springfield, Mass.—the first of its kind in the country, or, indeed, in the world. It is a "School of Christian Workers."

Chorus choirs of male voices have become the fashionable church music in New York. There are six or seven congregations which will begin this fall their first experience in male choirs, and the chorus of boys' voices is increasing in popularity.

A "professor of walking" is said to be a Canadian institution which might be imported with advantage to our young ladies' seminaries. The professor takes young ladies out on long tramps and compels them to adopt a free, swinging gait, and carry their shoulders properly.

One Presbyterian Church, in Jordan Springs, Kan., has only one member. He is an elder, and the church is reported as giving \$1 to the Home Mission cause, \$1 to the Relief fund for aged ministers, and 55 cents to the expenses of the Assembly. The pulpit is vacant. Another church, in New York, has only one member, but twenty Sunday-school children are reported.

The Woman's Missionary Society in Dakota cut the knot, deciding to have but one missionary society, with the same set of officers, but with a variety of functions. One day it is a foreign missionary society, another day it is a home missionary organization; the same, only for the time facing another way.

Rev. Dr. C. R. Hale, Secretary of the Joint Commission of the General Convention on Ecclesiastical Relations, has paid a visit to Norway and Sweden, carrying with him, beside his own credentials, letters from Lambeth and from the Anglo-Continental Society. One of his chief objects was to induce the making of more adequate provision for the religious needs of emigrants to the United States.

WIT AND WISDOM.

Troubles spring from idleness, and grievous toils from needless ease.

The railroad engineer who ran into Jumbo's trunk is the champion baggage-smasher of the age.

Good children are the hardest crop to raise; it takes a kind home and two steady heads.—N. Y. Independent.

Personal—Dear Ned, come back; all is forgotten. Pa kicked the wrong man, and didn't know it was you. Come immediately.—May.

The man, who is always ready to condemn the mother-in-law, should not forget that she had a mother-in-law once herself.

"Willis's best poems were written in his boarding-house." Another proof that a person can write best when his stomach is empty.—Kentucky State Journal.

A beautiful new song is called "The Lone One on the Shore." We never knew till now how romantic a solitary clam could be made to appear.—Barber's Gazette.

A new comedy is called "The Girl with a Tin Heart." Nearly all the girls have a tin heart when a young man comes around with soft soldier.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

The poor dude: The melancholy days have come, With chirp of fire-side cricket; The dude, in lieu of overcoat, Is forced to wear the ticket.

In some instances jealousy is a sign of love, but it is more frequently proof of overwhelming egotism. In some cases jealousy is proof of no love of any kind, but is merely indicative of a bad disposition.—Albany Journal.

"Why don't you hold up your head as I do?" asked an aristocratic lawyer of a sterling old farmer. "Squire," said the farmer, "look at that field of grain. You see that all the valuable heads are bowed down, while those that have nothing in them stand upright."

Don't forget to smile! Even a grin discounts a long face in the world's eye. Smile in adversity, dark days; when your wit's ends are warped out of all shape and your nerves exhausted, make at least a showing. Get the best foot in the lead, and then—smile. That cheerful smile will secure more aid for you from others than a whining voice and wry face could ever hope for.—N. Y. Examiner.

Arithmetical Proficiency.

"I see Taffey has gone into the grocery business. Does he know anything about it?"

"About as much as Joe Gibbs does about arithmetic—just about."

"Well, I reckon he'll get along then, for Gibbs knows a good deal about arithmetic."

"I didn't suppose he knew a thing about it."

"He does, though."

"What does he know?" "He knows that if he takes the whole thing there is no remainder. That's the rule he goes by whenever he finds anything laying around loose that he can lift."—Lige Erown, in Chicago Leader.

RELIGIOUS DEPARTMENT.

NIRAL LONGE DEO.

It is the natural impulse of mankind To long to lay the dust of kindred clay...

He felt the common need—that sad-eyed saint Who watched his mother die by Ostrin's sea...

At home! where we can deck each grassy bed, Can watch their rest and say: "They are not far..."

Can lay sweet roses by the buried head And dream that beauty, bloom and perfume shed...

And yet, the fates: we falter and grow old; And, one by one, the road mysterious...

Each century sweeps clean the loves and hates Of all its predecessor centuries...

But what are far or near or less or more To those who trust Thy faithfulness, O God? Safely they lay them down on foreign shore...

We must forsake; but Thou forsakest not! The tasks our hands let fall: Thy hands up-bear...

Nothing is far from Thee; no loneliness spot, No grain of Christian dust shall be forgot...

Thy angels fling the grave of Moses deep; And no man knoweth his scoundrel to-day...

The distant graves of those beloved who sleep In Christ, and make them fair and safe always...

RAISING BEETS.

How Ass Aimwell Secured the Money for a New Church.

I was over to Smartsville the other day and I heard a story there that is good enough to tell. The place is prosperous and ambitious...

Mark Twain was once invited to take charge of an agricultural paper during the absence of the editor. A subscriber wrote asking for information as to the best way of raising beets...

"And now," he continued, "I will make you a proposition. I know that we can get every dollar that is needed for the new church here to-night, provided each of you will give what he knows that he ought to and can afford to..."

A RIGHT BEGINNING.

The Great Difference Between Starting from the Center and from the Circumference.

Every man who thinks at all must feel at times unutterably perplexed in the presence of the problems that surround human life.

So the moral and spiritual universe may be approached from geocentric or heliocentric starting-points, and the result will be respectively confusion and unrest...

In all his reasonings and questionings he held fast to the primary truth. He started from that. What ever appearance might be, contradictory or confounding, he was not lost...

"Righteous art Thou, O Lord." Problems in philosophy, in physical science, in Biblical criticism, in theology, in eschatology, are pressing harder than ever for solution.

It is in men as in soils, where sometimes there is a vein of gold which the owner knows not of.

I have lived to know that the secret of happiness is never to allow your energies to stagnate.

Now, if any congregation wants to build a new house of worship, or to do anything else that ought to be done, and that it requires money to do...

INCH AND OUNCE.

Origin of the Terms and Their Application in Past Centuries.

As the Jews had a mystical reverence for seven, and the ancient Welsh and Celts for three, and the Greeks a perfect philosophy constructed out of the harmonies of all sorts of numbers...

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A Southside couple stood before a Court street jeweler's the other evening, when the young lady remarked: "Gawgie, don't you think there is something perfectly lovely about those clocks?"

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"DROPPED DEAD."

The Fate That Overcame "Little Mac" and Five Other Governors.

As a matter of fact the heart is the least susceptible to primary disease of any of our vital organs. It is, however, very much injured by certain long-continued congestions of the vital organs...

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FIGURE FITS! When I say fits I do not mean merely to stop them for a time and then have them return again.

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