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BREVITIES.

"You cruel man!" cried Mrs. Jellikins,

"my tears have no effect upon you at all."

"Well, drop them," said the brutal Jellikins.

A little boy three years old, who has a

brother of three months, gave a reason

for the latter's good conduct: "Baby

doesn't cry tears because he doesn't drink

any water, and he can't cry milk."

Wife—"Well, to tell the truth, I

didn't think much of the close of the

season."

Husband—"Probably you were thinking

more of the clothes of the congregation."

"Harry," said a young lady on a seat

before us at the theatre recently, "how

I should love to be an actress!"

"An actress, Henrietta! why?"

"Oh, it must be so nice to be made

love to in such pretty words every

evening!"

The tendency to get very similar

names of places mixed up is so great

that it is said a worthy deacon praying

for blessings on his favorite locality,

cautiously added,

"Not Reading Wood End, O Lord, but

South Reading!"

"I never did see such a changeable

thing as the wind is," said an old lady,

coming in out of breath. "As I was

walking down Broadway, it blew hard

as it could, right in my face; and when

I turned around and walked up street,

then it went blowing away on my

back."

"I'm not used to begging," said a

little girl to a lady of whom she had

asked alms, "cause only two weeks

ago my father was a merchant."

"My mother, my child, how could you

be reduced to poverty so soon?"

"My father took a bad two-dollar bill

at his peanut stand, and it ruined

him."

They have sharp lawyers down East.

One of them marketing for a dinner,

gave a poultry dealer:

"Is that turkey a young one?"

"Yes, sir."

"Will you take your oath on it?"

"Certainly I will."

Lawyer administers the oath, charges

a dollar for the service, and takes his

pay in poultry.

Two farmers in Keokuk had a dispute

as to ownership of a calf. The Justice,

after consulting Solomon on doubtful

cases, deposited the calf on the high-

way at an equal distance from each

farmer's house. The calf, with great

caution, cocked its tail, bounded over

the fence, and was in the next town-

ship before either of the counsel could

move for an arrest of judgment.

The fences of the United States, it has

been said, cost more than the houses,

including the cities, more than the

shipping of every description, more

than the manufactures with their ma-

chinery, and, excepting railroads, more

than any one class of property aside

from real estate. The fences throughout

the Republic are estimated to have cost

\$1,300,000,000, and all this in order that

he who owns a pig or a goat may turn

it on the commons.

The cheapest material for marking

then is coal-diluted with benzine to

the proper consistency. Another in-

expensive prescription is to place iron

filings or old nails in strong vinegar

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EASTERN DISPATCHES.

COLUMBUS, O., 22.—In the labor con-

vention today, George, of Pennsylvania;

Julian, of Indiana; Palmer, of Illinois;

Parker, of New Jersey; Ewing, O. Davis,

of Illinois; George Francis Train, Hor-

ace Greeley, Wendell Phillips and oth-

ers were present for nomination for

President. Judge Davis was nominated

on the third ballot, and Parker, of New

Jersey, for Vice-President on the first

ballot. After appointing a committee

to wait on these gentlemen and a com-

mittee from each State, the convention

adjourned subject to the call of the na-

tional executive committee.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., 22.—The Re-

publican convention met in the after-

noon and the committee on credentials

reported the number of delegates

present over 800.

INDIANAPOLIS, 22.—The Republican

State convention has adopted resolu-

tions reaffirming its position in the Re-

publican body endorsing the recon-

struction measures and the course of

Congress generally and sustaining the

administration.

Resolved: That the administration of

General Grant has been consistent with

the principles of the Republican party,

and eminently just, wise and humane,

and such as fulfills his pledges and de-

merits our cordial support, and, there-

fore, we instruct our delegates to the

National convention to vote for the

renomination of Grant and Colfax as our

candidates for President and Vice-

President.

EUROPEAN.

LONDON, 22.—The gathering of legiti-

matists at Antwerp is increasing daily

and becoming formidable. There is a

preponderance of French in numbers,

but German and Spanish legitimatists

are represented. The ex-king of Han-

over arrived yesterday with a large party

of supporters, and all will act together.

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the restoration of all the deposed sov-

ereigns.

PARIS, 22.—General Cassy is ill, and

it is believed he will be obliged to resign

the ministry of war.

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by the government.

BERLIN, 22.—It is reported that Bis-

mark proposes to issue invitations to

the different powers for an international

congress, the object of which will be to

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rates of postage, and to facilitate the

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ROME, 22.—Several bishops of the Ro-

man Catholic church are urging the

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WEST INDIES.

SAN DOMINGO, 12.—The country is

comparatively quiet, but some remain-

so long. Cabral, with 1,200 men, threat-

ens to attack Aqueduct.

Bass proposes to make a trip to Eu-

rope soon, going by way of the United

States. It is reported that he has re-

ceived an invitation from President

Grant to visit Washington.

HAVANA, Feb. 24.—The British

schooner Lark, which was seized a few

weeks ago by Spanish cruisers on sus-

picion of landing arms for the insur-

gents, has been released.

JACKSON, Miss., 11.—Troubles are

multiplying in Hayti, and the stability

of the present government is more un-

certain than ever.

An attempt was made on the night of

the 5th instant to burn the city of Port

Au Prince. The flames burst out sim-

ultaneously in several quarters of the

city, and a revolutionary outbreak was

fanned. The troops were ordered

out and the President and ministers

were in the streets all night. The fire

was extinguished before much damage

which is but a poor excuse for a

man. Let public charity educate the

child, and you have laid the foundation

down deep in his character that leads

him to think the world owes him a

living which it certainly does not.

provided always that he earns it, and not

without. I will venture the assertion

that in Utah there does not exist a

tithe of the people but what are able to

educate their children.

Would you pursue an unwise policy

as to foster this spirit of dependence,

by saying to these few, "Take no

trouble about your children, we, the

public, will pay for them." Hands are

instantly folded, energy paralyzed, in-

terest deadened, and the boys and girls

attend a free school, whose teacher is

not personally interested in the success

of his pupils, and who receives a

stated salary, success or no success. Do

this and we have taken the second step

in that boasted path of civilization that

has done so much to bring disorder

and confusion to the hearthstones of

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