

## BREVITIES.

Washtub Simmons is the name of a black Mississippi legislator.  
He that hath revenge in his power and does not use it is a great man.  
The champion corn-sheller of Illinois is a woman, who shelled 100 bushels in fifteen hours.  
He who pokes his nose everywhere will sometimes poke it between a thumb and forefinger.  
An affectionate Nevada man calls his wife his "sage hen," and she calls him her "tearing grizzly."  
A man who has a scolding wife, being asked what he did for a living, replied that he "kept a hot-house."  
A Georgian lately paid for a bushel of meal in gophers; and then received three mud-turtles in change.  
Mr. Greeley says that the solution of the question whether woman is equal to man depends upon who the woman is and who the man is.  
An Illinois grave-digger, who buried a man named Button, sent a bill to his widow as follows: "To making one Button-hole, \$2.50."  
A fashionable clergyman in Chicago warns the sinners of his congregation that if they don't repent they will go to the "place of eternal uneasiness." Certainly a mild way of putting it.  
A Maine man aided his wife's house cleaning some time ago by gathering up some odds and ends and putting them in the stove. Among them was a can of powder, and the house was speedily cleaned.  
"You ought to acquire the faculty of being at home in the best society," said a fashionable aunt to an honest nephew. "I manage that easy enough," responded the nephew, "by staying at home with my wife and children."  
Miss Anthony says it is useless to talk to her about the sacredness of the marriage relation, when there are enough illegitimate children in New York to form a procession on Broadway, eleven miles long, marching two and two.

A Cincinnati druggist declares that there are no less than a thousand arsenic eaters in that city and vicinity, mostly young women, who take the drug for the complexion.

In defense of the antiquity of female suffrage it is urged that Shakespeare describes how

"The imperial votress passed on  
In maiden meditation, fancy free."

Miss Garrett, a lady physician, has lately been appointed a member of the medical staff of the East London hospital. Her appointment is the first recognition by medical authorities of lady doctors.

If the "Ticket of Leave Man" should meet the "Lancashire Lass," "After Dark," in "The Streets of New York," "Under the Gaslight," wearing the "Emerald Ring," along with "Enoch Arden," would there be any danger of "Foul Play?"

The following advertisement appeared in an English paper: "To-day, about 1 o'clock in the afternoon, my dear wife Catherine, born at Eberding, was happily confined of two girls and a boy. Barely ten months ago she had twins, making five children in one year."

A lady who had been married three times was declaring the other evening against second marriages, and when one of the company reminded her of the fact that she was living with her third husband, she exclaimed, "Why, bless me! I had quite forgotten it!"

A Dutchman, describing a pair of horses he had lost, said: "Day was very much alike, specially the off one. One lookt so much alike poth, I could not tell 'em from which; when I went off one, I always caught de odor; and I whipped the one most dead because de odor kicked at me."

Fort Sumpter is in danger of being carried off by tourists. A Charleston paper of the 23d says that "if all Fort Sumpter excursionists bring away as much of the fort as a party of eight northerners did yesterday, as relics, the government, if it waits awhile, will be saved the expense of leveling the walls."

"A young mother" writes that her babe is teething, and wishes to know if it ought to be allowed something to bite. A contemporary answers her as follows:

"Yes; give it a pick-handle, or a bar of soap, or some old clothes, or a cartridge of nitro-glycerine—anything you may happen to have lying around. If your husband should happen to be lying around, let it take a nip at him; or in his absence, the darling's father will do, if he is clean."

"I like to attend weddings," said Mrs. Partington; as she came back from one in church, hung her shawl up, and replaced the black bonnet in a long preserved box; "I like to see young people come together with the promise of love, to cherish and nourish each other. But what a solemn thing is matrimony—a very solemn thing, where the minister comes into chancery with sermons, and goes through the ceremony of making them man and wife. It ought to be husband and wife, for it is every husband that turns out to be a man. I declare I never shall forget when Paul put the nuptial ring on my finger, and said, 'With my worldly goods I thee endow.' He used to keep a dry goods store then, and I thought he was going to give me the whole store was in it. I was young and simple, and did not know till after that it meant one calico gown a year. It is a lovely sight to see young people 'plighting their troth,' as the song says, and coming up to consume their vows."

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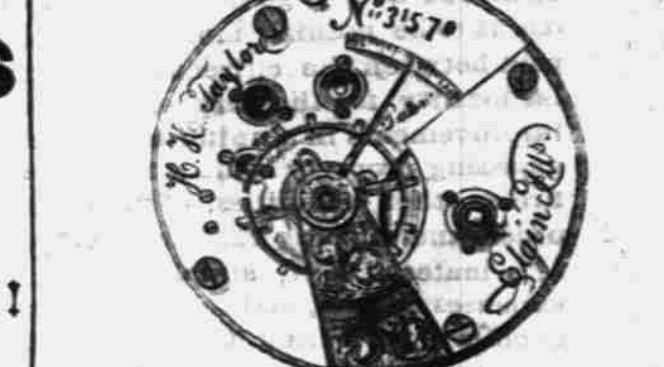
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