

BREVITIES.

Chicago publishes 95 newspapers and periodicals.

A Texas grocery has "Knew Syder Fur Sell."

One Boston firm sells 8,000 spoons of cotton per day.

San Francisco now gets Sierra Nevada ice at two cents a pound.

A California mother has given birth to a 16½ pound baby.

The French population of Vermont numbers 15,491 persons.

A Prussian paper speaks of our German as "a good citizen."

A Cincinnati joker, just dead, will a friend "the promise of \$2,000."

"Patent dry corned fish" is a new Down East edible.

Ashbury, of the yacht *Cambria*, is manager of the Great Western Railway of England.

Savannah has sent north a half grown alligator, twelve feet long.

The salaries of the tutors of Yale College are to be raised to \$1,000, and the professors to \$3,000.

The English government has issued an order for the construction of a gun to weigh thirty-five tons.

The American Bible Society is putting Bibles in all passenger trains of the Louisville and Nashville railroad.

An Aroostook editor pays his respects to the "unhappy old rip who sits in the editorial chair of the *Standard*."

The amount of property destroyed by fire in the United States last month exceeded by more than \$5,000,000 the losses for July last year.

It is said that a new hotel at Hampton Beach, N. H., is to bear the title of the Quinquennalesakosagnagun—House.

The proprietor wanted a name that was easy to remember.

A Portsmouth, New Hampshire, hotel has four bachelor customers, who have continuously boarded at it, one forty-eight years, one forty-five, one thirty-seven, and the fourth twenty-eight.

Woman is composed of three hundred and forty-three bones, one hundred and sixty muscles, and three hundred and six pins. Fearfully and wonderfully made, and to be handled with great care to avoid scratches.

A bottle of Rhine wine, corked and sealed, and the glass of a lamp, still perfect, have been recovered from the wreck of the United States transport *Housatonic*, sunk in Charleston harbor by a rebel torpedo during the war.

In a hot spring in Manila, which rises the thermometer to 187 degrees, and in another in Barbary, where the temperature is 172 degrees, fishes have been known to flourish. Carpenter tells of small caterpillars found in hot springs with a temperature of 205 degrees, and of small beetles that died when taken out of the hot sulphur baths of Albano and put in cold water.

Moses Lyman, of Huntington, Mass., became indignant and profane at a thunder shower, as he had considerable hay exposed to the rain. His hired man remonstrated with him, predicting that, if he persisted, the lightning would strike his barn, and he would be killed. The words were spoken when the prophecy was fulfilled. Fortunately, however, none of the inmates were injured.

C. H. Stevens of East Montpelier, Vt., who found a \$300 pearl in a clam, a year or two ago, and has since been the champion "pearl" of the State, has lost the shell. H. B. Ramsdell having found one for which he has been offered \$500, and will probably receive a higher sum. These pearl clams are found in Wiscasset River, and are the occasion of periodical excitements.

The Island of Jamaica has been visited the present season by heavy rains which have not experienced for the last forty years. In Westmoreland a plot of land, with all its houses and trees, slipped down a hillside into another parish, without doing much damage to either the houses or grounds thus displaced. Some important questions of title are likely to arise out of this somewhat novel change.

A certain man in Ripley, Me., was about to be married, and so distressed was he at the prospect that he took two ounces of laudanum to avoid the calamity. But the expectant bride (who was probably a widow) was promptly on hand with a doctor, and the poor creature was pumped into a fit condition for the altar. Only a fortnight before the victim tried to hang himself, but he was saved for the joy of the honeymoon by being timely set down.

The *Gazette* of Inka, Miss., hears that Jeff Davis has been offered a high position by a crowned head of Europe if he will take part in the present war—in which, if he accepts, he will be followed by thousands of "Confederate" soldiers. The *Gazette* says that this individual stands higher in the estimation of the rigorous and brave than any man in America, and it hopes to see him Marshal of France.

Mrs. Stanton thinks that courting ought to be left entirely to the women. She says "I decidedly believe that nature intended man for the rough work of life—to dig into philosophy, politics, parallelograms and potatoes, and humbly wait in his material sphere until selected by the queens of the household."

Mrs. Stanton thinks men are too "vacillating and awkward" in their love-making.

William Chapp, of Salem, died lately from the effects of a particle of iron, which flew into his eye when he was a sea captain some thirty years ago, while hammering a piece of rusted hoop-iron. He lost the use of the eye at the time, but he experienced no trouble from it, since "until very recently, when the particle around the eye became inflamed and swollen, causing derangement and death; and an excruciating pain was disclosed the particle of iron from which suppurative had resulted after thirty years."

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