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BREVITIES.

Of the twenty-four thousand streets in London, six thousand are counted as "business streets."

A pork butcher's sign in a French provincial city reads: "Batta, Jr., slaughters hogs like his father."

Mr. Carl Rosa, the famous musician, has filed a declaration of his intention to become an American citizen.

The Jewish Messenger says there are in the United States 250 synagogues, of which 13 have been established during the Jewish year 5,629, just closed.

A medal given by Charles I. while on the scaffold, and but a few minutes before he was beheaded, was recently sold in London for the large sum of \$1,715 in gold.

A Chicago paper boastfully announces that a lady in that vicinity has given birth to four children, all of whom are alive and well. Their ages vary from one to nine years.

An Illinois paper of a religious turn of mind, calls the dam on Rock river "our profane improvement." The same paper speaks of his brimstone highness as "Mr. Lucifer."

In 1890 the first mile of telegraph line was put up in Minnesota. Now there are 7,000 miles, without taking into account the double and treble wires on any of the lines.

"Father, did you ever have another wife besides mother?" "No, my boy; what possessed you to ask such a question?" "Because I saw in the old family Bible where you married Anno Domini, in 1838, and that isn't mother, for her name was Sally Smith."

The most popular caricature in Paris at the present time is as follows: Death is holding Napoleon III. by the throat, and Prince Napoleon stands close by, clapping his hands and shouting: "Bravo! bravo! Take him; I want his throne!"

Patterson, N. J., is having an antiquarian sensation in the discovery of the well-preserved vats of a tannery about ten feet below the surface of one of the principal streets. The oldest inhabitants do not recall the existence of a tannery in that spot, but agree that the place was an impassable swamp eight years ago. The records of the past century also fail to throw light on the subject, and a local historical society is investigating.

A convict was recently released at Cayenne, that had passed there twenty-five years. When he returned to France he spent a great deal of money, which attracted the attention of the police. He was arrested, and it was found that he had found the money of the man whom he had murdered a quarter of a century ago, in the same place where he had buried it that time.

The Titusville (Pa.) Herald has the following concerning some recent marriages in that place: "It is somewhat remarkable, first, that four weddings took place during the past week; second, that the four gentlemen were all merchants of Titusville; third, that they did business on the same street; fourth, that they occupied the same block; fifth, that they were all widowers; sixth, that in the aggregate they have had thirteen wives."

A German scientist has recently created a considerable sensation by the publication of a pamphlet, in which he takes the ground that the Zodiacal light proceeds from a gaseous ring surrounding the earth at a distance of only a few thousand miles from its surface. This gas, he thinks, is in a state of quiet combustion, but is now fast cooling off, and, as a consequence, will soon burst and aggregate into a globular mass and form a second moon for the earth, inside of the orbit of our present luminary. His idea is founded on the now generally conceived theory that all the planets and moons have been formed in that manner.

Mr. Charles True, of Lee, while on a voyage to Montevideo, in South America, the past year was on board of his ship, at anchor in the mouth of the river, about four miles below the city. On weighing anchor, a large quantity of mud came upon the fluke of the anchor full of shell. Climbing over the side of the vessel, to collect the shells, he noticed a curious looking stone, which he saved with the shells and brought home. It is a specimen of Egyptian porphyry, polished on two sides and beveled for a mosaic pavement, as used by the Romans. The Roman cement still adheres on one side. There is no mistaking the specimen.

During the latter years of his life, the famous London banker, Nathan Rothschild, was said to be always in fear of assassination. "You must be a very happy man, Mr. Rothschild," said a guest at one of the banquets for which his Piccadilly house was famous. "Happy! Me happy!" he exclaimed. "What happy! when just as you are going to dine you have a letter placed in your hands saying, 'if you do not send me £500 I will blow your brains out!' Me happy!"

One day two strangers were admitted into his private room at the bank. They were tall foreigners, with mustaches and beards, such as were not often seen in London thirty or forty years ago, and Rothschild, always timid, was frightened from the moment of their entrance. He put his own interpretation upon the excited movements with which they fumbled about in their pockets, and before the expected pistols could be produced, he had thrown a great ledger in the direction of their heads, and brought in a volley of clerks by his cries of "murder!" The strangers were pinioned, and then, after long questionings and explanations, it appeared that they were wealthy bankers from the continent, who, nervous in the presence of a banker so much more wealthy, had made some difficulty in finding the letters of introduction which they were to present.

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