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BREVITIES.

The indirect taxes of France for 9 months of 1888, amount to \$182,976,000.

A young lady is said to be the champion wrestler of the Nineteenth Ward, New York.

Macmillan's Magazine endorses roast donkey as the most delicious of meats.

A London journal pronounces Walbeck's New York Theatre infinitely superior to any in that city.

By the mis-spelling of her first name Miss Frances Power Cobb became a registered voter in England.

Londoners went street thieves lashed at the whipping-post, that being the only punishment they dread.

Maine this year produced 1,000,000 tons of hay, the same number of bushels of corn, and 200,000 bushels of wheat.

Powers is chiseling "The Last of the Tribe," an ideal representation of the vanishing races of American Indians.

Many New York merchants, instead of cash boys, employ little girls, who are said to be more expert at the business.

The Saturday Review "Girl of the Period," articles are attributed to a sister of Lord Cranbourn, present Marquis of Salisbury.

A New Brunswick candidate for Parliament unexpectedly resigned, announcing that, having ruined himself by purchasing votes, he was going "to a house not made with hands."

Twelve New York ministers receive salaries of more than \$10,000 a year, and a hundred or more other preachers in the same city do not receive \$1000.

The star Eta Argus, which a few years ago rivaled Sirius in brilliancy, is now scarcely visible on a dark night; while the nebula around it has greatly changed its form and augmented its brilliancy.

It presents the most remarkable astronomical phenomena to be met with in the Southern hemisphere.

The origin of the game of billiards is credited both to Egypt and Italy—the date about 1580.

The famous C. Cotton, who was the Hoya of his day, writing in 1874, informs us that billiards were at that time so popular in England that few important towns were without public tables, and many private families had them in their houses.

The champion eater is Joshua Plumb, of Hudson, New York. At one sitting he disposed of ten pieces of apple pie, six corn cakes, a quarter of a pound of crackers, six cups of peanuts, thirty pickled clams, four lemons, an ounce of candy and two bowls of clam soup.

He then drank six tumblers of water, and offered to eat a hundred raw oysters. No one doubted his ability to accomplish the feat, but no one was willing to pay for the oysters, and so he went off grumbling that he wasn't half full.

A lady and gentleman of Troy, New York, whose connubial bliss is perfect in everything, save the presence of children around the domestic fireside, were examining some illuminated notices in a book store the other day, when the wife picked out one bearing these words: "God bless our home."

The husband thought that very good, but still not exactly what he wanted. Looking a little further, he picked up this one: "Suffer little children to come unto me."

Jacob Winans, of Milton, Mahoning county, Ohio, was born in 1796, and married at twenty-one. His wife bore him seventeen children, fourteen of whom are now living, the youngest having turned fifty.

In July last, at the age of ninety-nine years, he walked from Garrettsville to Milton, a distance of thirty-one miles, in less than six consecutive hours, with only one rest, the mercury being at ninety-six degrees. He has not taken intoxicating liquors for over sixty years; never paid a dollar to his doctor or lawyer; has voted at every Presidential election since the adoption of our Constitution, and has served his country in two wars.

A French physiologist named Burt, says that he has dried a rat's tail under the bell of an air-pump, and in immediate proximity to concentrated sulphuric acid, so as to deprive it gradually of all moisture.

Then he put it into a hermetically sealed glass tube in which it remained four or five days. Next he put it into a stove, where he subjected it for some hours to a temperature of about 98 degrees centigrade, and subsequently sealed it up a second time in the tube.

Four days more having elapsed, he united this tail by its extremity to the freshly cut stump of a living healthy rat. The tail soon began to expand and perform all the natural duties of a tail.

Three months afterward the unfortunate rat was compelled to assist at a second amputation, and M. Burt proved conclusively that the once amputated tail was furnished with all proper vessels, and was a living part of the second rat.

An indignant wife recently visited an Indiana judge and solicited his authority in compelling the return of a truant husband.

"But, my dear madam," replied the hapless official, "I can't make him come back."

"An' what's the reason ye can't, I'd like to know?"

"Why, he is a free man, and can go where he pleases."

"An' can he do all that, ye say?"

"Certainly; but then you can get a divorce."

"An' allow him to go about with the creature whenever he pleases?"

"Yes."

There was an expression of indignant surprise on the woman's face as she inquired:

"Was ye ever a mother, Judge? Did ye ever have any children?"

The Judge said he never had.

"Then don't be any talking to me about a divorce," and she swept indignantly from the room.

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