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## BREVITIES.

Piners are the blasts that precede quarrels.

Pantin pocket-handkerchiefs are the latest Paris novelty.

Quill intimates that he believes in the woman's movements on washing day.

A New York optician placards himself as—"Optious and Mechanicus."

A San Francisco paper says that "as a billiardistess Elsie Holt is not a success."

"Are you fond of tongue, sir?" "I was always fond of tongue, madame, and I like it still."

Among the articles exhibited at the fair at Denver, was a silver button weighing 550 pounds.

A husband of sixteen and a wife of forty appeared in Detroit, last week, on a bridal tour.

A young lady, who has been studying finance for some time past, wishes to know whether the day rate of gold affects the nitrate of silver.

Instead of saying that a man is "tight," in Chicago, the reporters say that he is a "victim of bacchanalian immolation."

A French cynic thus defines the difference between regret and repentance: "One repents of a bad act, but regrets a good one."

Half a million of books were sold at the late trade sale in New York, and 10,000 of them were Byron's.

The maiden speech of a member of the Wyoming Legislature was pronounced an able effort. He rose and said: "I second the motion."—*Central City Register.*

A Yankee, describing a lean opponent, says: "I tell you what, sir, that man don't amount to a sum in arithmetic—add him up and there's nothing to carry."

A Roman prince lets his palace, or a part of it, as a hotel and restaurant during the session of the Council. It is believed that the American Bishops, being the richest, will spend the most money.

Oliver Wendell Holmes is 60 years old, Charles Sumner, Horace Greeley and Alfred B. Street, 59, Harriet Beecher Stowe and Samuel Osgood, 58.

A Kansas paper most piously heads an article as follows: "Conversion and death of twelve more heathens. Glory to God and our cavalry!"

The ages of the old American authors of note are given as follows:—Julian O. Verplank, 87; Richard H. Dana, 83; George Ticknor and Charles Sprague, 75; John Neal, 70; John P. Kennedy, 75; Sarah J. Hale, 74; William Cullen Bryant, 73; Stephen H. Tyng, Francis Lieber and George Bancroft, 70.

A singular strike took place lately in the French city of Alsas. All the kitchen girls in that place suddenly refused to work any more unless the following three points were granted to them: Increased wages, less labor and the privilege of receiving their "cousins" in the kitchen. Only the last point was acceded to by their mistresses, and as the girls attached more importance to it than to the other two, they went back to their kitchens.

Those hideous deformities which young women attach to their "back hair," and then call chignons, are fertile sources of disgusting inconvenience.

Not long ago attention was called to the fact that they are nests of all species of worms and insects. This is bad enough, but it is not all. It is well known that large quantities of the hair used in making chignons are torn by harpies from the hospitals and tombs of the East, and this without any discrimination as to the disease of the plundered dead. The result is that the hideous diseases of the East are translated to the West. But a few weeks ago, according to the *Newcastle Journal*, a young lady of that neighborhood died of a loathsome leprosy, the origin of which could be traced to the chignon alone. Let this be a "caveat" to chignon wearers.

Stories of the Emperor Nicholas continue to appear. The latest is that he was roaming about the barracks incognito one evening, and saw through an open door one of his best officers sleeping with his head on a table and with a manuscript before him. The czar stole in and found that it was a cash account, of which the debt side was double the credit side, and contained among other items 1000 roubles as a pension to the officer's mother. The debt surplus was 3,000 roubles, and was followed by the query, "Who will pay the sum?" over which the owner had evidently puzzled himself to exhaustion. The Emperor quietly wrote "Nicholas," as an answer, and went away. The young man awoke, astounded at the dread autograph that met his eye, and on the following day received an imperial letter with the 3,000 roubles.

The Church of England lost in the Bishop of Exeter one of its most brilliant and belligerent champions. He spent \$200,000 upon law-suits arising from his ecclesiastical controversies and litigations. He was one of the precocious children of genius. At the age of 13 he competed successfully for a purse at Oxford, and at 17 he was ordained Fellow of Magdalen College. In constant warfare with Lord Grey, with Jeffrey and the *Edinburgh Review*, and with the whole Liberal party, he was all the time in hot water, and a true representative of the church militant. As an orator he exhibited the versatile qualities which make up the ready speaker, and if his lot had been cast in the United States, he would no doubt have made a crack Senator. He possessed the rare talent of writing with the same facility as he spoke, and had no peer among the polemical casuists of the day.

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