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BREYER'S COOKERY.

Cakes of ice from the mountains are floating down the Missouri river.

The recent railroad accident in Mississippi was caused by an official going to sleep.

"You lie like a tombstone," was once a common expression. "You lie like a common dispatch," has superseded it and is more expressive.

A man lately jumped off the Clifton suspension bridge in England, height, 250 feet, in emulation of Sam Patch, and like him, came to grief.

An observer of human nature reports that he has seen some people possessing the peculiarity of three hands—a right hand, a left hand and a little behind hand.

"Will you take a walk?" said a German teetotaler to a friend, while standing near a tavern, "I don't care if I do," was the reply. "Well, then let's take a walk."

"Mamma, can a door speak?" "Certainly not, my dear." "Then why did you tell Anne this morning, to answer the door?" "It is time for you to go to school, my dear."

Oil City, Pa., has christened a new baby Petrolia Ann. It is to go out in this way we shall soon have Gasoline; and then Benjamin Zenas will be shortened to Benklein.

It may not be generally known that sunflowers possess the power of purifying the air. A few rows of this plant have in Italy produced favorable results to the health of the neighborhood.

A playful and powerful man at work in the Kittay navy yard threw his arms over a companion's waist, and gave him such a hearty squeeze as to injure him internally so that the man died. No harm was intended.

On Holt Bridge, situated between Meriden and Yaleville, Conn., is written the following sentence: "I, the murderer of Nathan Farnam, passed over this bridge September 15—signed S. M." This inscription is undoubtedly true.

Johnny Steele, an ex-oil prince, may now be seen any day in the oil regions on the high spring seat of a wagon loaded with barrels of oil. He drives teams for a living, his dress is suited to his business; he has no look of faded gentility about him, and is altogether more respectable than when he was a spendthrift millionaire.

The war having caused a paucity of hands for field work, the prisoners in Germany have volunteered to work on canals or landed estates, for which services they receive pay and lodging. Their labor gives satisfaction. The Turks are too much akin to the kings of the desert to soil their hands with anything so vulgar as common labor, though strong as bulls.

This is from a Santa Fe paper: Death with fleshless knuckles, rapped at the door of Mrs. J. N. B.'s soul, and obedient to the inexorable call, the spirit of that loved woman floated up to its Oracle, leaving her husband, children and friends to mourn over the mortal casket." Such an obituary robe death of its terrors.

The sermon preached by the German Royal Garrison Chaplin of Berlin, the Rev. Emil Frommel, in St. Thomas's Church, Strasbourg, on the day of the victorious entry, has just been published. It pays a warm tribute to the Queen of Prussia—"She hath done what she could." The audience were invited to "lighten by your demeanor, the heavy lot which has befallen this city, and show that generosity towards a fallen foe is the finest ornament of the warrior."

A Christian was brought before a magistrate for an unprovoked assault on a Jew. "What had he done that you should knock him down?" asked the Judge. "Done! why, isn't he one of the bloody Jews that crucified our Savior?" "But," remonstrated the magistrate, "all that happened nearly two thousand years ago." "Did it? Why I only heard of it last night," answered the overzealous convert.

A question has been raised as to the fate of aerostats if captured—whether they would be treated as ordinary prisoners of war or shot for carrying news to the enemy. Their situation is sufficiently hazardous to be very exciting, and would almost have satisfied Sir Charles Colfream, in the play of "Used Up," who was so deplorably in want of a new sensation, and having been up Yesterdays and back home yesterday, declared "that there's nothing in it." There's something in hovering over the Prussian lines amid showers of bullets.

The London "Church Review" says: "When we see a person we instinctively look at his neck, and we sum him up accordingly. There are persons with cravats and collars; there are no rules, Low Chub-ch. There are persons with cravats and no collars; these are as a rule, High Church; and there are persons with collars and no cravats; these are, as a rule, Broad Church. We do not, of course, pretend that this is an exact classification, but the distinctions are sufficiently accurate for general purposes."

A distinguished clergymen of the Universalist denomination has been stoned, while in Lowell, of "violently dragging his wife from a revival meeting, and compelling her to go home with him." He replied: "First, I have never attempted to influence my wife in her views, nor her choice of a meeting. Secondly, my wife has not attended any of the revival meetings in Lowell. Thirdly, I have not attended any one of these meetings for any purpose whatever. Fourthly, neither my wife nor myself have any inclination to attend those meetings. And fifthly, I never had a wife."

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TRUTH AND LIBERTY.

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GREAT BRITAIN.

French and Prussian losses.

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DETAILS OF THE FIGHTING
AT AROUND PARIS!

Diplomacy on the Eastern Question!

BISMARCK INSISTS ON RETIRING
FROM OFFICE!A Protracted and Sanguinary
Battle.

NEW AND TERRIBLE DISEASE

WASHINGTON.

WASHINGTON, 5.—It is stated positively by a person in a position to know, that the English mission has not been offered to any person since Morton declined it.

Tours, 4.—The second Prussians have captured Ferriemont, Grezilleville, Nonville, Ville Pain and Reulin. It is reported there was heavy fighting yesterday. The Pontifical Zouaves lost three-quarters of a battalion. Charette is wounded.

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Lyons, 3.—There was fighting all day on Saturday between Autun, Arnay and Le Duc. General Cremer actively pursues the enemy.

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Gambetta has gone to Orleans to consult with officers of the army of the Loire.

A battle on Friday, in which the sixteenth and seventh corps were engaged, was protracted and sanguinary. There were great losses on both sides. The Prussians used heavy artillery. The army of the Loire will receive large reinforcements.

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The French merely gained better foothold for their future spring. Their great want is space to deploy their forces. A very hard fight took place at the same time north of Paris. The French sailed out against the fourth Prussian corps. The attack was repulsed and prisoners were taken by the Prussians. The loss of the French was heavy including seventeen officers.

Frederick Charles' operations, though not unsuccessful, are much hindered by the heavy roads. The army is fatigued by long marches. To-day all is quiet in the southern front of Paris. The first shell was fired into the city yesterday from the Beauvois batteries, near Pratillon; it was accidental. The Crown Prince has ordered to use no more guns at present at such a range. If the French try more sorties there will probably be a sharp attack on the out-lying defences of the city.

Ode Russell continues to receive most emphatic assurances of the neutrality of Prussia on the Eastern question.

The Tribune's correspondent at Pesth, on the first, writes: Constantineople advises that the Porte is likely to accept the conference under conditions.

The Tribune's correspondent at St. Petersburg on Sunday afternoon, says: Granville's reply to Gortchakoff's demand note was delivered yesterday. He insists that Gortchakoff admits his and answer that his position is wrong in law and consents to a conference, only on the understanding that Russia will withdraw her original circular and her pretension to the right of separate action, and bring the proposition before the conference, now to be decided, without previous pledges. Otherwise the embassy will be withdrawn. The English think it a diplomatic victory. The position is still delicate.

The correspondent of the Tribune telegraphs from Berlin, on Tuesday afternoon: The King telegraphs to the Queen that no fighting occurred yesterday at Paris. The French are marching troops from Vincennes. During the night of December 2nd the French lost 1,500 prisoners, including one General and twenty superior officers, besides seven guns. The bombardment of Belcourt has commenced. Nothing new has been received from the army of the Loire. The military situation, among best informed circles is deemed critical. Montebello has been ordered to march to Paris.

It is stated on good authority that Bismarck insists that he must and will retire from office until the convention with the South German States is accepted unaltered.

ILLINOIS.
A Horrible Disease.

CHICAGO.—There is great excitement in Chicago, Ill., over the death, yesterday, of a lady in that city by a new and strange disease, after weeks of terrible suffering. A post mortem examination discovered an immense number of parasitic animalcules filling every portion of the body. The physician decided that it is not trichina, the parasite not resembling these; and the patient not having been in any way affected by eating infected food.

A CHICAGO PHYSICIAN.

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PORTUGAL.

LISBON, 8.—It is said the Queen has despatched Astor, commanding a journey to Madrid with the Spanish delegation.

Lisbon is certain to be Italian minister at Madrid.

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