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## BREVITIES.

Georgia has a female klan of Kluklux. A natural contractor—an anaconda. These are loving times when everything is as dear as it can be.

Howitt the author, is 74, walks four miles before dinner.

Dickens received twenty thousand dollars from four readings in Boston. There are three lady editors in Iowa—all Marys—all married.

Why is a fond lover like a locust tree? Because he is late in leaving.

Nantucket men are coming West to turn their harpoons into pruning hooks. Ten men own a tenth part of all the taxable property of New York City.

Omaha has a billiard hall, the fitting up of which cost \$20,000.

Mr. Jesse, the British naturalist, has just died in Brighton at the age eighty-seven.

A Patagonian Indian girl, perfectly wild, was recently purchased in Terra Del Fuego for a bag of biscuits.

The London Spectator says that Mr. Disraeli will not give up office "until taken out by the collar."

The Right Hon. George Edward Thickness Touchet is the name of an English nobleman.

Abraham Popplin, while piling boards at Calais, Me. recently, tripped and fell a distance of only two feet, yet broke his neck and died instantly.

When a Chinese is killed by accident in performing any kind of work, all his fellow-countrymen refuse to work any longer at the same business.

It is proposed by some of the Western New York friends and neighbors of Frederick Douglass, the colored orator, to run him for Congress.

The old saying of "havin' got a red," has dropped into the rural districts for, "nary a green," when speaking of currency.

The French surgeons are out in denunciation of high-heeled shoes, charging that they distort the foot, and occasion a variety of serious physical ailments.

Paris is to have the most magnificent fountain in the world. It will be composed of four waterfalls, eight lions spouting water, and immense canelabra to light up the whole at night.

When Voltaire was told that a friend of his was studying to become a physician, he exclaimed: "Why will he be so mad? He will have to thrust drugs, of which he knows little, into a body of which he knows less."

During the Carnival, Victor Emanuel Square in Turin, said to be the largest square in Europe, was converted into an immense open-air theatre, the pit of which contained thirty thousand people.

A teacher had been explaining to his class the points of the compass. All were drawn up in front toward the north.

"Now, what is before you, Tom?"

"The north, sir."

"What is behind you, Tom?"

"My coat tail, sir," said he, trying at the same time to get a glimpse at it.

Quibble, reading that "it had been decided in the Court of Queen's Bench in Dublin, that a clergyman of the Church of England can legally marry himself," observed that that might all be very well as a measure of economy, but that in his hardest times he would rather marry a woman.

To one who asked pecuniary assistance of a crusty capitalist the remark was made, "Heaven helps those who help themselves," said the would be borrower, sourly, "That reminds me of a fall I got when a boy, which obtained this offer of aid from a bystander, 'Come here, sonny, and I'll pick you up!'"

"Which are the uttermost parts of the earth?" asked a school teacher of one of his boys. "The parts where there are most women," answered the head of the class. "What do you mean by that, Brown?" asked the teacher. "I mean," was the reply, "that where there are the most women, there is the most uttered."

John Quincy Adams held positions under the Government during every administration from that of Washington to that of Polk, during which he died. He had been minister to England, member of both Houses of Congress, Secretary of State, and President of the United States. He died while a member of the House of Representatives.

A powerful digging machine is now in operation in New Jersey, which is said to be achieving wonders. It is run by steam, and is located in the marsh beds of Monmouth county. It is at work excavating a canal fifteen or twenty feet deep and seventy-five or a hundred feet wide, taking up a ton of marl a minute and depositing it on cars running on rails laid beside the canal, to be conveyed miles away to the doors of the farmers in that part of New Jersey.

Seven gamblers were about to be hung when one of them remarked sorrowfully: "Well, Jim, we've had our last game." "No," replied Jim, "one more, and that will be the game of seven up." "Well," replied the other, "there is one consolation that game will hold out until the 'last trump' is played."

A volume containing a collection of ancient engravings, of which a large number were by Albert Durer, was recently stolen from the library of the University of Bologna. Those works of art were so rare as to be valued at \$70,000. A small number have been discovered and secured at Stuttgart, but the greater part have been so dispersed that their recovery is almost hopeless.

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