

THE EVENING NEWS.

Saturday, February 26, 1870.

BREVITIES.

Private-eating—listening at a keyhole. Academy of design—A young ladies' boarding school.

The "Field of the Cloth of Gold" has been performed in Shanghai.

Spiritualism is now at its lowest ebb in Paris. Hardly any medium is able to attract even a small audience.

A young farmer, who inquired how best to start a nursery, was told to get married.

Philadelphia has executed twenty-five criminals since 1789—one for a mail robbery, two for piracy, and the remainder for murder.

Dr. Oliver Wendell Holmes says the widows who cry are first to marry again. There is nothing like wet weather for transplanting.

The West New Jersey Society, established in London in 1892, to acquire lands in the British colonies, is being wound up in Chancery.

Professor Klapart, the celebrated German geographer, is about to make a journey to Turkey and Palestine, at the expense of the Prussian government.

An Amsterdam (N. Y.) man has invented a patent glass coffin, which can be hermetically sealed after the air is exhausted, thus preserving bodies perfectly without embalming.

The introduction of a female firm among the brokers necessitates an addition to the zoological nomenclature of Wall street; to the bulls and bears we must now add the dears.

During the excitement in Paris last month the jewelers and lace dealers took their goods out of the city, and over twenty-five thousand strangers left town in a single day.—E.

There are sixty-four prisoners in the Ohio Penitentiary under sentence for life. The veteran is John Gull, from Stark county, thirty-three years a convict, now seventy years old; mind long since gone and a wanderer about the yard.

When an ill-natured fellow was trying to pick a quarrel with a peaceable man, the latter said: "I never had a fuss with but one man, and he was buried at four o'clock; it is now half-past three."

All the seats in the Senate Chamber of the United States are now occupied. When the Senators from Georgia, Mississippi and Texas are admitted another row of seats will have to be provided for their accommodation.

Bishop Simpson said, in a recent lecture, that while in Europe he never traveled with a German student without being told that he was saving money to go to America, or with an Irish man that did not ask him if he knew his cousin?

When the remains of Napoleon were brought from St. Helena to Paris, all the speech-making on the occasion was the following:

Prince de Joinville.—"Sire, I present to you the ashes of Napoleon."

King Louis Philippe.—"I receive them in the name of France."

Professor Gross, of Philadelphia, sacrificed nearly a hundred dogs, in order to arrive at the best method of treating wounds of the intestines. It would be well if the Professor would persevere in his experiments, taking dogs as his subjects.

A colored man employed at a saw mill near Little Rock, Ark., some days since, became entangled in a chain used for drawing logs from the river, and was carried to the shaft, the chain gradually winding around him, crushing him to a jelly.

M. Lecomte says that the horse was not introduced into Egypt until the time of the Shepherd Kings, while the ass appears frequently on the monuments before that time. The horse is regarded as a native of Central Asia and Eastern Europe, while the ass is an African product.

Dr. Denham, of Harrison county, Indiana, lately removed the entire left breast of a Mrs. Daniels, residing near Bethany, who had long been afflicted with a cancerous affection. She is recovering fluently from the operation.

A soldier's widow in Leavenworth lately employed a claim agent to collect the \$100 bounty due her husband. She then had to hire a lawyer to collect the money of the claim agent, and a third to collect what was left of the second. She finally got \$27, the balance of the hundred going to the three lawyers.

Lyach law was practiced a few weeks ago in Gallatin. In a little village a peasant was charged with horse stealing. The chief men of the village formed themselves into a court, and although the accused denied everything, he was sentenced to be publicly whipped to death. The sentence was carried out in presence of the court.

One of the convicts of the Michigan State Prison, on the 8th, getting tired of working, laid his fingers under the trip hammer and had them mashed to atoms. He had five months to serve. This is the second time that such an act of self-mutilation, for the same reason, has occurred in the Penitentiary.

A beautiful specimen of native talent in the shape of the map of Ireland in the good old vernacular tongue is exhibited in Mayo. It is exquisitely illustrated, and the Irish characters are written in a clear and legible manner by its author and compiler, Mr. George W. Bell, of Claremorris.

Seventeen years ago, when Napoleon III visited Bordeaux, he was received by the Prefect of the department, a very tall, powerfully built man, of winning manners, beside whom the Emperor was a dwarf. Side by side they drove through the city.

"Prefect," said Napoleon, "the citizens seem to regard their Prefect, and forget their Emperor."

"Sire," was the courtly reply, "when a regiment is marching, the crowd is always struck with the Drum-Major, but it is not to be concluded they forget the General in command." This Prefect afterward became Baron Hausmann.

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