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BREVITIES.

A pretty hood—childhood.

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Wm. H. Seward's life is insured for \$500,000.

Uecoda county, Iowa, has not a single tree.

In conversation, a wise man may be at a loss how to begin; but a fool never knows how to stop.

People who fish for compliments do not need long lines. They get their best bites in shallow water.

The female population of Edinburgh exceeds the male by nearly 10,000.

In Glasgow the excess is 16,000.

New York has 23 parks of various sizes, with a total area of 1,007 acres.

The total cost of the Central Park and its improvements has been \$11,168,849.

The following notice is posted conspicuously in a publication office out West: "Shut this door—and as soon as you have done talking on business, serve your mouth in the same way."

A man died at St. Louis recently, and on his will, after stating that he never forgot a favor, left \$1,000 to an individual who ten years before ran away with his wife.

A Western editor who doesn't know much about farming anyway, suggests that for garden-making a cast-iron back with a hinge in it, would be an improvement on the spinnaker now in use.

A resident of Kalamazoo writes to a "school board" in Ohio that he will take a school, as he has "taught 3 terms school and attended 1 college 4 years at Detroit, Michigan and am 34 years of age."

Several extensive hog growers in Henry county say that feeding steamed feed is a perfect preventive of hog cholera, and that no one there this season who steamed feed has lost a hog by the cholera.

A husband advises thus: "My wife Maria has strayed or been stolen. Who returns her while she gets her head broke. As to trusting her, any body can do so if they see fit; for as I never pay my own debts its not likely I'll pay her'n's."

Pich'er, the German doctor of divinity, who was arrested last spring on the charge of stealing books from the public library at St. Petersburg, has been found guilty and sentenced to banishment in Siberia.

A Connecticut paper tells this story of a new boy in one of the Sunday-schools: The precocious youth was asked to make the beautiful hills about them, and remarked that he did not know as his parents had moved into town the day before.

A French artist having been asked to draw an allegorical figure of benevolence, carefully sketched a bit of indifference. "This," said he, "is the emblem of benevolence. It gives more than any other substance."

A clergyman was lately depicting before a deeply interested audience the alarming increase of intemperance, when he astonished his hearers by exclaiming: "A young man in my neighborhood died very suddenly last Sunday, while he was preaching the gospel in a beastly state of intoxication!"

Quill and his wife had a bit of contention the other day. "I told you you have more brilliancy than I," said the woman, "but I have the better judgment." "Yes," said Quill, "your choice in marriage shows that." Quill was justly informed that he was a self-conceited brute.

A bit of the melancholy Homeric style adorns a tombstone near New York. It says: "Here lies the body of Mrs. Susan St. John, who died December 9th, 1749, aged 40 years and 2 months and that with within this tomb, had Rachel's face and Leah's fruitful womb, Abigail's wisdom, Lydia's faithful heart, with Martha's care, and we hope Mary's better part."

A preacher who used notes had the misfortune to deliver a discourse—or rather, as the sequel will show, a portion of a discourse—in a breezy spot, of which rash act the consequence was that while placing upon poles a pair of telegraph wires with a velocity more than double that of a bullet, he was so excited by the rapidity of the transmission increases with the distance between the wire and the earth or the height of the support. The *Journal des Telegraphes* says that wires placed upon poles slightly elevated transmit signals with a velocity of 12,000 miles a second, and those at a considerable height give a velocity of 14,000 or 20,000 miles.

(SPECIAL TO THE DESERET NEWS.)

By Telegraph.

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WASHINGTON, D. C.

Suffering at sea.

WASHINGTON, August 22.—Admiral Lannan, commanding the south Atlantic fleet, reports that the English steamer *Tyco*, bound to England, arrived at Bahal on the 20th ultimo, from Monte-vidéo July 10th, having on board captain Geo. W. Leach, master of the ship *Eutrope*, from New York, who goes to Falmouth and thence to New York.

He says that on June 5th, while in latitude 35, 30 south, longitude 47 west, his ship was reported leaky, and in thirty minutes afterwards she went down. The officers and crew took to two boats, the captain and sixteen men in the larger and seven men in the smaller boat. After weathering two heavy gales the large boat made Rio Grande Doce, June 11th, having been for two days and nights without food or water. The smaller boat had not been heard from, but it is supposed she has been picked up.

NEW YORK.

Details of the Fight in Corea.

NEW YORK, 22.—Full details of the second battle between Admiral Rodgers' fleet and the Koreans, together with a list of all the officers engaged, have been received. It seems that six hundred Americans defeated six thousand barbarians. The navy department is in receipt of dispatches from the admiral, which will be given to the public to-morrow. The latest Anglo-Chinese newspapers contain a startling rumor that the *Colorado* and another man-of-war had run aground and were captured by the Koreans, and all on board massacred with the exception of Minister Lowe, who was retained as a hostage. There is no confirmation of this alarming intelligence from official sources. Special correspondents describe the affair on the 11th as altogether a brilliant victory. More than four hundred and eighty guns were destroyed, and fifty flags taken, while at least one thousand Koreans were killed or drowned. The Koreans seemed to be determined either to conquer or die, and as they fought they gave a deafening death cry, which sounded terribly. All fought bravely. It is much regretted at Shanghai that such an expedition should have become necessary, but it is thought that the Korean government placed the admiral in such a position, as to leave him no alternative. Everything tends to show that the Koreans were aware of the coming of the expedition, and had made preparations for resistance. It was also found during the ten days of inactivity, and while waiting for an apology, that the Korean government had placed in a peaceful character of the expedition; but they sent an unusually great number of troops to the fleet to oppose it, certainly not less than 10,000 were on Kangsho island alone, and more forces were concentrated in the road to the capital. The governor of Kangsho has been degraded on account of the American success.

Additional from Corea.

The following are additional details of the Korean troubles.—The *Poles* and *Monocery* have returned to Shanghai to refit, while the remainder of the fleet has gone to Chefoo. A Shanghai correspondent writes: It is hoped here that the American government will send out reinforcements, so as to enable Admiral Carey to carry out the programme of the expedition to an end; if not it would have been better if the expedition to Corea had never been made. As it is it will do a great deal toward stirring up anti-foreign feelings among the Chinese. Because ships have left Corea without having reached the capital, unless something is done soon the Koreans will lose greatly in the estimation of both Chinese and Japanese.

A *Prudent* correspondent writes: Just as the mail is closing, intelligence is brought of further Korean outrages, which will doubtless cause England and Prussia to take steps for the protection of their subjects. Not long since the Prussian schooner *Chusan* was wrecked on the coast of Corea, and abandoned, the crew being warned by Korean officers that nothing must be taken from the wreck. The crew put to sea and succeeded in refloating the vessel, where the wreck was sold by auction to two British subjects. Accompanied by a Prussian, the purchasers started for the coast of the wreck in order to recover as much as possible of the cargo. On arriving they were surrounded and seized by officers of the Korean government, who, it is reported by a Chinese crew who escaped put them in bamboo cages and started for the interior of the country where, beyond a doubt, it is the intention to execute them. Upon the receipt of this news, H. B. M. corvette *Ringsdown* left once, saving the *Prudent* and the *Major*, the *Prudent* British consul, and a Prussian officer. The very latest intelligence is that the North German war ship *Herkules* has also left for Corea to give the matter attention. The press of China and Japan have discussed the expedition in almost every light, but in two particulars there is a unanimous opinion that to either side, saving the honor of the prize of a perfectly successful attack, and that no results of any importance have been achieved, in as much as no asserted object of the expedition has been attained. A treaty for the protection of the American and German steamers and an enquiry as to the fate of the officers and men of the *Sherman* were the declared objects of the expedition, and both have most ignominiously failed through the withdrawal of our forces, and we carry in the minds of the Orientals all the onus of defeat, and only the most energetic action on the part of the American government will restore the prestige enjoyed in China or Japan, for while it has been an ostensible expedition against Corea, really it is whittling China over the shoulders of Corea. They agree too, in declaring that our state department, through the will of the Chinese imperial government, made a grave and serious mistake in asking the friendly offices of China against a profitable naval. Had the government of Japan been invited to take part in the expedition it would have eagerly assented, for to have demanded tribute from a former vassal would have assured the cordial support of Japan, besides creating a breach between two mighty nations which are now bound most firmly in a mutual relation and desire to prevent the advancement of the evil power.

Thus do the English papers view the status of affairs. It may be added, it is also the case with a very large proportion of our countrymen.

A Steamer Sunk.

The steamer *Wyoming*, hence for Providence, is reported to have sunk a few miles off the coast, having the appearance of being blown up by powder blast; no particulars except the crew are safe.

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