THE EVENING NEWS.

Saturday, - - Oct. 10, 1874.

Unprofitable Special Post Office Agents.

Postmaster General Jewell has discovered that many of the special agents in his department were not earning their salaries, and has already discharged some, and threatens to go through the whole list, searching out the bummers and starting them out to seek a livelihood by some kind of honest work, if there is such a possibility as their attempting anything of the kind. But, with Secretary Bristow and Mr. Jewell thus inaugurating a system of civil service reform that means something, where are the sinecurists and the dead-beats of politics to find comfortable billets with high pay and nothing to do? The special agent and secret service department of the Treasury and the Post Office departments have been the favorite hiding places for these sorts of people. Congressmen who have dependent relatives, or people that it would not do to appoint to some home office, have forced them into these special agencies, and had them sent away into localities where nothing was known about them. The service has thus been made a refuge for incapables and the disreputable, until it has become a general by-word of reproach. In no single point is there more need of reform in our civil service system, and Secretary Bristow in introducing a change, and Mr. Jewell in following it up, are doing the best work that could be devised.—*Baltimore American.*

The First English Song.

The following old English poem is said to have been the first English song ever set to music. It was written about the year 1300, and first discovered in one of the Harleian manuscripts, now in the British Museum:

APPROACH OF SUMMER.

Sumer is i comen in,
Lhude sing cuccu:
Groweth sed and bloweth med,
And springeth the wde nu.
Sing cuccu.

Awe bleateth after lomb,
Lhouth after calve cu;
Bullluck starteth, buck verteth:
Mur'e sing, cuccu,
Cuccu, cuccu:
Wel singes thu cuccu;
Ne swik thow nawer nu.
Sing cuccu nu;
Sing cuccu.

The follwing is a literal modern prose version: Summer is coming. Loudly sing cuckoo! Groweth feed and bloweth mead, and springeth the wood now. Ewe bleateth after lamb, loweth cow after calf; bullock starteth, buck verteth—*i. e.*, harboreth among the ferns; merrily sing cuckoo! Well, singest thou, cuckoo. Nor cease to sing now. Sing cuckoo, now; sing cuckoo! —*London Musical World.*

BREVITIES.

Rev. Olympia Brown's last sermon was a boy.—*Boston Post.*

A buxom Kansas matron of sixty-eight summers has just presented her husband with an heir.

Judge Hoar wonders why anybody with a farm like Boutwell's, is "ass enough to go to Congress."

When a Maryland doctor spells it "accuforfortus," is it any wonder that a patient dies on his hands?

Pennsylvania has 195 blast furnaces, 130 rolling mills, 16 rail mills, 18 steel works, and 31 bloomaries. All the other States put together do not contain so many.

The Postmaster at Holiday, Ill., has a salary of $1 per annum. It is not stated whether he draws it quarterly or half-dollarly.

A civil rights dining hall—"All meals taken in this hall will be seventy-five cents, regardless of age, business, sex, nationality, politics, religion or previous condition of servitude."

A lady once asked Lord Brougham who was the best debater in the House of Lords. His Lordship modestly replied: "Lord Stanley is the second, madam."

A Kentucky church has sent two lady missionaries to the Fiji Islands. This is very considerate. No doubt the cannibals will prefer this sort to the tough old gentlemen who are usually thrust upon that market.

The argument of some who still use the check-rein is that it makes their horses hold together better for show purposes. An English editor wants to know if they mean there is that the horse would tumble to pieces if his nose was not tied to his tail.—*Boston Transcript.*

Father O'Leary and Curran were cracking their jokes at a dinner party one evening, as was their wont, when the celebrated advocate turned abruptly to the good father, saying, "I wish, O'Leary, that you had the keys of heaven." "Why, Curran?" asked the divine. "Because you could then let me in," said the facetious counselor. "It would be better for you, Curran, that I had the keys to the other place, because I could then let you out," replied O'Leary.

A young lawyer in a country town asked some of his friends to a game of cards in his room, to be followed by a little supper. Frogs were a new species of food in that latitude, and a dish of them cooked in the choicest way was the feature of the occasion. Supper time approached, and during a temporary lull in the conversation the door suddenly opened and a Milesian waiter in a loud voice announced supper thus: "Mr. E., *them tuds* is done, and supper is ready!"

A LIFE DOUBLY ASSURED.—A resident of Bangor, Maine, writing to C. N. Crittenton, 7 Sixth Avenue, for a supply of HALE'S HONEY OF HOREHOUND AND TAR, mentions incidentally that three months ago a New England Life Insurance Company refused to grant him a policy, on the ground that he was consumptive. "But," he adds, "thanks to the healing properties of that invaluable preparation, my lungs are now perfectly sound, and I yesterday passed a medical examination, without an objection being made, and insured my life for $5,000."

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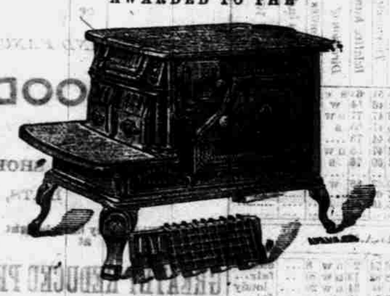

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