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BREVITIES.

A sweet planet—The honeymoon.
The first wheat sown in Ohio was at Marietta, in 1788.

California raised two million bushels of potatoes last year.

It is beauty's privilege to kill time and time's privilege to kill beauty.

What word is always pronounced wrong? Wrong, of course.

A German Arctic expedition is to sail in a few months.

One year's residence in the dominion of Canada is to be made sufficient for naturalization papers.

The latest mathematical problem is for British policemen to find the "center" of Fenian circles.

A member of the British Aeronautical Society says that he can fly, and that he will fly the length of the Crystal Palace in June.

"All maidens are very good," says one moralist; "but where do all the bad wives come from?" The bad wives are the maidens turned sour.

What is the difference between editors and matrimonial experience? In the former the devil cries for "copy." In the latter the "copy" cries like the devil."

"I wonder where those black clouds are going," sighed Laura, pensively. "I think they are going to thunder!" said her brother.

An apothecary asserted in a large company "that all bitter things were hot." "No," replied a physician, "a bitter cold day is an exception."

It costs us more to be miserable than would make us perfectly happy; how cheap and easy is the service of virtue, and how dear do we pay for vice.

The light of understanding is not a dry and pure light, but drenched in the will and affections; for what men wish to see they are inclined to believe.

"Well, if this ain't mean!" said an indignant pickpocket. "Here's this fellow a goin about with this yore yaller chain on, and when I pulls it out there's no watch at the end." The conduct of these flashy clerks is enough to break the heart of a poor fellow like me, as has to depend on his trade for a living."

An old Norwegian fable tells how the original bear lost his candle appendage by getting into a hole. He met a fox who had some fish, and asked how he might also catch some. "Drop your tail into a hole in the ice," said Reynard; "let it be in the water a long while—never mind the pain—they are bites then pull it out suddenly, and you will have a large haul of fish." Bear did so, and the hole froze up; by and by he gave a leap and—instead of getting any fish—lost his own tail.

An agriculturist has, it is said, tried with success the following method of making peaches grow without stones: "Turn the tops of the trees down, cut off the ends, stick them into the ground and fasten them so with stakes; in a year or two these tops will take root, when well rooted cut off the branches connecting these reversed and rooted branches with the tree proper, and thus reversed peach trees will produce fine peaches without stones." The same experiment may be tried with plums, cherries and currants.

The story is told of Manschikoff, the Russian general that on one occasion when he was displaying his regiment to the Emperor Nicholas, the latter remarked some trifling deficiencies in the matter of the dress of the men, and pettily exclaimed, "I would rather see your regiment not dressed at all than dressed so." Manschikoff quickly turned to his command: "Attention! uniforms off!" To the bewilderment of the Czar the men had in a moment stripped to the skin, though it was freezing weather. Saluting His Emperor, Manschikoff said: "Sire, my men are at your Majesty's orders." Nicholas did not get angry.

The Prussian military chemists have succeeded in precipitating the explosive liquid known as nitro-glycerine, and in reducing it to a solid. The advantages of this transformation are, that its combustibility is considerably diminished, while its explosive force remains the same, and it is therefore rendered more manageable and fitted for military purposes. Shells filled with it, fired from guns of moderate calibre, are said to have smashed the strongest entrenchments that ever yet protected the sides of an iron-clad, and if half of what is stated by the Prussian papers on the subject be true, the art of defence in war is still in its infancy, and will be a tremendously costly bantling to rear.

A party in England has discovered a cement which is to become a most valuable agent in the hands of manufacturers of articles of leather, including boots and shoes. Patches can be put upon the uppers and soles and upon the bottoms of shoes with this cement, which will so adhere that no known agent, heat, cold, oil, water, or any other influence, will operate against its utility. In fact, we are informed that leather will part quicker where the cement has never been applied than where it has, so great is its adhesive property. We can easily recognize the value of this cement in its application to patches. Waxed thread rarely holds in wet weather, and a patch soon gives way. In the use of this cement we are given to understand a perfect combination is formed, which resists all attempts to separate the patches joined. To the trade here it will be a blessing, and we hope soon to learn more about it. If it should turn out that a sole can be applied without peg or stitch, and never give way till worn out, it would be one of the most valuable discoveries of the age.—*Herald and Leather Interest.*

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