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Mottley has made \$100,000 historically.
Telegraph invented by Morse, 1832.

A Russian newspaper is to be started in California.

Honolulu has got the first organ in the Sandwich Islands.

Chimneys were first built to houses in 1236.

Your a queer chicken I as the hen said when she hatched out a duck.

There are two hundred slang terms for intoxication.

Vicksburg is about to shut up schools for want of money to pay the teachers.

Abyssinian swells do up their hair with butter, and carry umbrellas to prevent the sun from melting it.

The use of the cigarette at the dinner table by Parisian ladies is beginning to be customary.

The world stands by every old lie till it is found untenable, and opposes every new truth till it proves irresistible.

An industrious girl's need is an instrument by the means of which she both sews and reaps.

Mrs Partington says that there is no use in trying to catch soft water when it rains hard.

The Persians have a saying that "ten measures of talk were sent down upon earth, and the women took none."

A young lady gives her reason for using a parasol in these words, "I raise my parasol to parry Sol's rays."

The entire assets of a recent bankrupt were nine children. The creditors acted magnanimously, and let him keep them.

"It is the lot of humanity to err at times," as the drunken man said when he mistook the pig-pen for his bedroom.

Mr. and Mrs. Spurgeon have but two children—twin sons eleven years old. Both are being reared for the ministry.

An actor who was extremely ugly was playing a part in which a lady had to say to him, "Ah! sire, you change countenance." A wag cried out: Let him change, —pray don't prevent him!"

A friend has presented us with the autograph of the blacksmith who riveted the public gaze; also, one of the timbers of the house that a celebrated actor brought down.

The annual import of tea into England from China and Japan is 115,000,000 pounds. This is the average for the past four years.

A Richmond negro, who draws his soup rations at the Bureau, was asked if he got a good article. "Dunno, sir; we feeds it to our pig," was the response.

A man very much intoxicated was sent to jail. "Why did you not ball him out?" inquired a bystander of a friend. "Ball him out!" exclaimed the other. "Why you couldn't pump him out!"

"I do not say," remarked Mrs. Brown, "that Jones is a thief, but I do say that if his farm joined mine, I don't think I would try to raise sheep."

George Francis Train says: "Shipboard is the place to read character; all there is in a man pops out when he is sea sick."

A young son of Henry Dickinson, of Howard county, Mo., found a hog fastened in the fence, and undertook to help it out, when the other hogs attacked the boy, biting and tearing him so that he died.

A Dutch woman desired to advertise her pony which had lost himself "mit a tail frisky ver much, and a strike ver hard mit his hind fests."

A man in Franklin County, Ia., is said to be the owner of a horse which changes its color from black to white and bay, and the reverse, three or four times a week.

Hoof, in describing the meeting of a man and a lion, said: "the man was off with all his might, and the lion with all his mane."

Judge finds a resemblance between the King of Dahomey and a famous painter, because they are both men of color, celebrated for the manner in which they execute their subjects.

When Carlyle was told of Disraeli's promotion, he said: "On the whole, Mr. Disraeli is the fittest man for the place, because he is the honestest. He is a scoundrel, it is true, but he never pretended to be anything else."

A very smart boy on his return from college, attempted to prove that two were equal to three. Pointing to a roasted chicken on the table, he said:

"Is not that one?" and then pointing to another, "Is not that two?" and do not one and two make three?"

Whereupon his old dad said: "Wife, you take one and I'll take the other, and our smart boy can have the third for his dinner."

Where was John Rogers burned to death? asked the teacher in a commanding voice.

Joshua knows, said a little girl at the foot of the class.

"Well" said the teacher, "if Joshua knows he may tell."

"In the fire," said Joshua, looking very grave and wise.

A report of the condition of the Russian serfs, at the beginning of 1868, has just been published. From this it appears there are still 3,629,882 serfs not emancipated. The number of the emancipated serfs is now 6,46,885, including 1,168,140 in Lithuania. Of these only 518,629 have obtained their emancipation by voluntary agreements entered into by their masters. The remainder have become proprietors through the intervention of Government, which has appropriated \$300,000,000 for the compensation of the old landholders.

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