

It is now stated that a mixture of flour and red pepper, four parts to one of the latter, scattered on the plants, will preserve the luscious cabbages from destruction. The recipe is worth a trial.

Six deaths from lock-jaw in Cincinnati and Covington in three days. The victims were all boys who were wounded in the hand by toy pistols on the Fourth of July. In most cases the wounds were apparently trifling.

Egg festivals are the latest. Each lady is given an egg with her name written upon it. They are deposited in a basket and before supper they are passed around and each gentleman takes one, and the lady whose name he draws is his partner for supper.

A son of the late President Tyler was recently arrested in Washington, as a common drunkard. Although he has descended to the level of a poor wretched sot, he is said to be one of the most courtly and polished men, in demeanor and conversation, to be found in Washington.

In an article in the North American Review, Gail Hamilton says: "In the last campaign our papers complained bitterly of Democratic mud throwing; but every clot of mud thrown at General Garfield was scooped up from a Republican puddle." The article shows that Gail Hamilton knows whereof she speaks.

There seems to be a general disposition, this year, to ramrod swaggering place-hunters to back seats. People have come to the conclusion that in justice to themselves, as much care and circumspection must be exercised in the selection of public servants, for the performance of important and responsible duties, as would for a like purpose be exercised by a painstaking and judicious business man in his private transactions.

A case was recently tried in the Supreme Court of Indiana, wherein the appellant was seeking a divorce on account of insanity of her husband, who, having for eight years been insane, had failed to provide her with food, clothing and shelter. Judge Elliott refused a divorce on the grounds that insanity was no cause for divorce, and stated that the statute was not meant to apply to cases where the inability to make provision arose from such cause.

Rensselaer Republican: Mr. Harris is a good man, a good Republican, and no "kicker." His frank and manly letter well deserves a careful reading by all who take any interest in the political situation in Jasper county.

There's a pretty good puff for you, Mr. Harris. You're a "no kicker"—These fellows say you'll "stand up to the rack, foder or no foder." Can't you return in kind, since you know one of them declared, referring to you, that it was possible for the primary to nominate a man he wouldn't support.

Rensselaer Republican: We publish in another place a communication from that staunch young Republican, R. B. Harris, of Barkley township. The letter was intended for our last week's issue, but reached us too late for insertion at that time.

How queer! The communication had reached them, but too late for insertion last week. We should think so. It was written and intended for publication in the Republican of July 13th, so say the editors of that paper, and yet it bears date, "Culp, Ind., July 15, 1882." Evidently that communication was prepared at the headquarters of the "ring", in Rensselaer, the editors were cognizant of that, and expected it for last week's issue—it was sent to Mr. H. for signature. His delay in returning it, with the date penned under his name, taken in connection with the above announcement of the Republican, gives the whole thing away.

A Telephone Transaction. Some days since Harry McGuire, agent for the Willard telephone, went to Rensselaer and contracted with Emmitt Kannal, of that city, to furnish him a telephone for \$30. The instrument was delivered as agreed, and twenty dollars cash was paid on the same. The remaining ten dollars being yet unpaid, McGuire went to Rensselaer Thursday last and took the telephone from Kannal's office, and went aboard the train for this city. At Mattoon, Ill., Hal Smith, a young man connected with Kannal's business, entered the car and approaching McGuire, took from him the telephone instrument and started back to Rensselaer. McGuire informed us to-day that his reason for taking the telephone away from Kannal was that he refused to pay the balance due, claiming the telephone to be worthless. At present Smith is in possession of the telephone, but there is no telling how many times it may change hands in the near future.—Logansport Tribune.

The Serpent. One day last week Mrs. Constantine Kelm was startled by the cry of her little eight-month-old baby which was playing on the porch. She ran out and was horrified at the sight which met her eyes. One of the baby's fingers was grasped in the mouth of a snake. She struck the reptile two blows before it let go its hold. The child's finger was severely lacerated by the fangs of the serpent, and soon it showed signs of poison by nausea and vomiting. A little while after she restored it to health by counteracting the poison. The snake was afterwards killed, and was discovered to be a garter snake, which is usually considered harmless. No doubt the child was attracted by the novelty of the sight, and may, perhaps, have tried to play with it, when the vicious reptile seized it by the hand in spitefulness and held on till the child was rescued by its mother. Mr. Kelm, who is a resident of Richland township, related these facts to the Republican and vouches for their truthfulness.—Peru Republican.

When McGuire gets that telephone

THE S. E. C.
THAT LITTLE RESOLUTION ON SLANG.

At the last regular meeting of the Young Ladies' Society for Esthetic Culture, a resolution, discontenueing the use of slang by the members of the association, was voted quite a spirited discussion. The following is the resolution which was offered by Miss Ten Eyck:

Mr. Harris assigns three reasons for his defeat at the primary, the second being partially correct, viz.—"entirely too late in making my announcement." Had he done so, the opposition of the "ring" to my doing so; the declaration of the secretary of the committee, in effect, that he would not support me if nominated, and other discouragements from that direction, caused the delay," he would have been about correct. The first reason given is too thin, and the third has no foundation to support it. We believe Mr. H. to be a good man, and with all due respect to him, we must say the reading of the letter reminds us of the story of "The Monkey, The Cat, and the Chestnuts."

Just what a woman can do for her husband in the way of electioneering, is admirably illustrated by a pleasant incident in the life of Mrs. Douglas, wife of Stephen A. Douglas. It seems that the Little Giant on one occasion, when Mrs. D. gave a reception, sent a remarkably rural rustic to call, assuring him that Mrs. D. would be delighted to see him. The visitor proceeded as follows: "The visitor, a rude, unpolished son of the prairie, unused to any of the ways of society, but a power in the politics of his home, and a man whose influence would be of vast assistance to Mr. Douglas. Entering the room, he greeted him with a "Good langung always took the cake"—frosting and all.

After several other members had fired away at the resolution, pro and con, Miss Paralyser sent in the following broadside: "What kind of a gaff are you giving us, anyway? Take a reef in your upper jaw and cheese the racket!"

Miss Underwood smilingly remarked that she should blush to simpler if she was ever caught using slang. She never would; oh, not at this eve, some other eve. Good langung always took the cake—frosting and all.

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