

Free Liquor.

"I'm out getting opinions on liquor selling," said a sharp reporter to a saloonist. "Are you in favor of free liquors?"

"Well, I should smile," answered the barkeeper. "I think this country is the home of liberty, and I believe every man should have a right to drink what he pleases, and where he pleases, absolutely free, and all legislation to the contrary is sumptuary and therefore unconstitutional."

"You want to be so recorded?"

"You bet your sweet life."

"All right; now I'll take a glass of champagne; that kind you sell at 25 cents."

It was set out for him, and he poured it down and poured another in on top of it and started off.

"Hold on," said the bartender, "you owe me half a dollar."

"No, I don't; didn't you just say you believed in free liquor, and that anything to the contrary is sumptuary and unconstitutional? If there's anything I do like to see it is a man who lives up to his principles," and he walked out, wiping his mouth on his coat sleeve, and leaving the saloon man to study up the law points of the case.

Near-Sightedness.

Education may create discomforts as well as secure great advantages. The human nation is threatened with a peculiar trouble of the eyes, as a penalty for reading badly printed books and for unwise methods of study. A careful investigation of the schools by competent physicians has revealed the unpleasant fact that near-sightedness is growing common, and may become universal.

In children of five years and under, it was rarely found; the vision was quite perfect. In the lower schools, from fifteen to twenty per cent. of the scholars were effected; in the higher schools, from forty to fifty per cent. In the theological department of the University, seventy per cent. of the students were troubled; and in the medical department the misfortune was almost universal, only five per cent. not being thus afflicted.

The physicians ascribe the difficulty to the practice of holding the books too near the eyes, and the practice is due in a large measure to the poor print of cheap books.

To stop a colt from pulling back on his halter in the stall, take a sufficiently long piece of half-inch rope. Put the center of it under the tail like a crupper, cross the rope on the back, and tie the two ends together in front of the breast, snugly, so there is no slack, otherwise it would drop down on the tail. Put an ordinary halter on (a good one), and run the halter strap, or rope, through a ring in the manger or front of the stall, and tie it fast in the rope on the front of the breast; then slap his face and let him fly back. He will not choke or need telling to stop pulling back. Let him wear this awhile, and twice or thrice daily scare him back as suddenly and forcibly as possible. After one or two trials, he cannot be induced to pull back.—*Chicago Evening Journal*.

CANE chairs are more used than ever. They are now painted in colors to harmonize with the remainder of the furniture in the room. The cane arm chairs have the backs and seats cushioned either with plush or velvet, while the rockers are generally ornamented with bows and ends of some bright colored satin ribbon. The shapes in odd chairs are very old-fashioned, and grow more ancient every day. The latest is a dainty-looking, though most uncomfortable, chair of Queen Elizabeth's time. It is manufactured in highly polished rosewood, and has cushions made of peacock blue plush embroidered in moss rose-buds.

IN France the best forage is kept for the winter for sheep, and two pounds of salt dissolved in water and sprinkled over the rations is given to forty sheep. In Alsace, during very wet weather, one and a half ounces of green vitriol dissolved in eight parts of water, is given with great advantage to sheep. This is especially excellent where sheep are house-fed as in Italy. Cavour relates that in the neighborhood of Turin sheep are principally reared for their milk, which is converted into cheese. In France, near Lyons, small farmers keep sheep for the same end. The Dishleys yield 75 per cent., and the merinos 56, of their live weight in flesh.

THE quality of food needed by stock varies even among animals of the same age and breed, and it necessarily varies to a great extent among animals of different breeds. Upon this subject a farmer in England says it is sufficiently correct to reckon a sheep consuming 28 pounds of green food, an ox or a cow 150 pounds, a calf 40 pounds, and a yearling 80 pounds, daily. At this rate an ox or a cow consumes as much as five sheep. The latter will require 10,220 pounds, or nearly five tons apiece, the former 54,750 pounds, or nearly twenty-five tons of green food, for its yearly maintenance.

Use for Old Pianos.

A Labrador tribe, it is said, made the barrels stolen from a wrecked whaler serve as chimney-tops, the West Indians utilized Timothy Dexter's warming-pans for sugar-ladies, and the Shans find no worse use for English beer-bottles than to stick them up as household gods to keep evil spirits away! But the drollest instance of unthought-of capability is reported in the London *Truth*:

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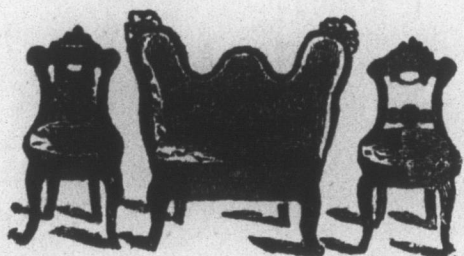
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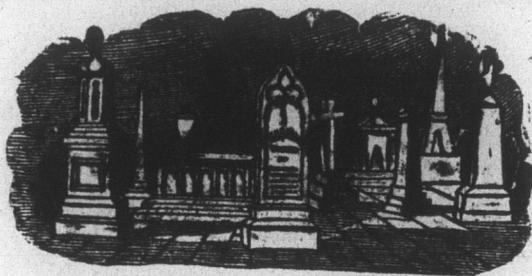
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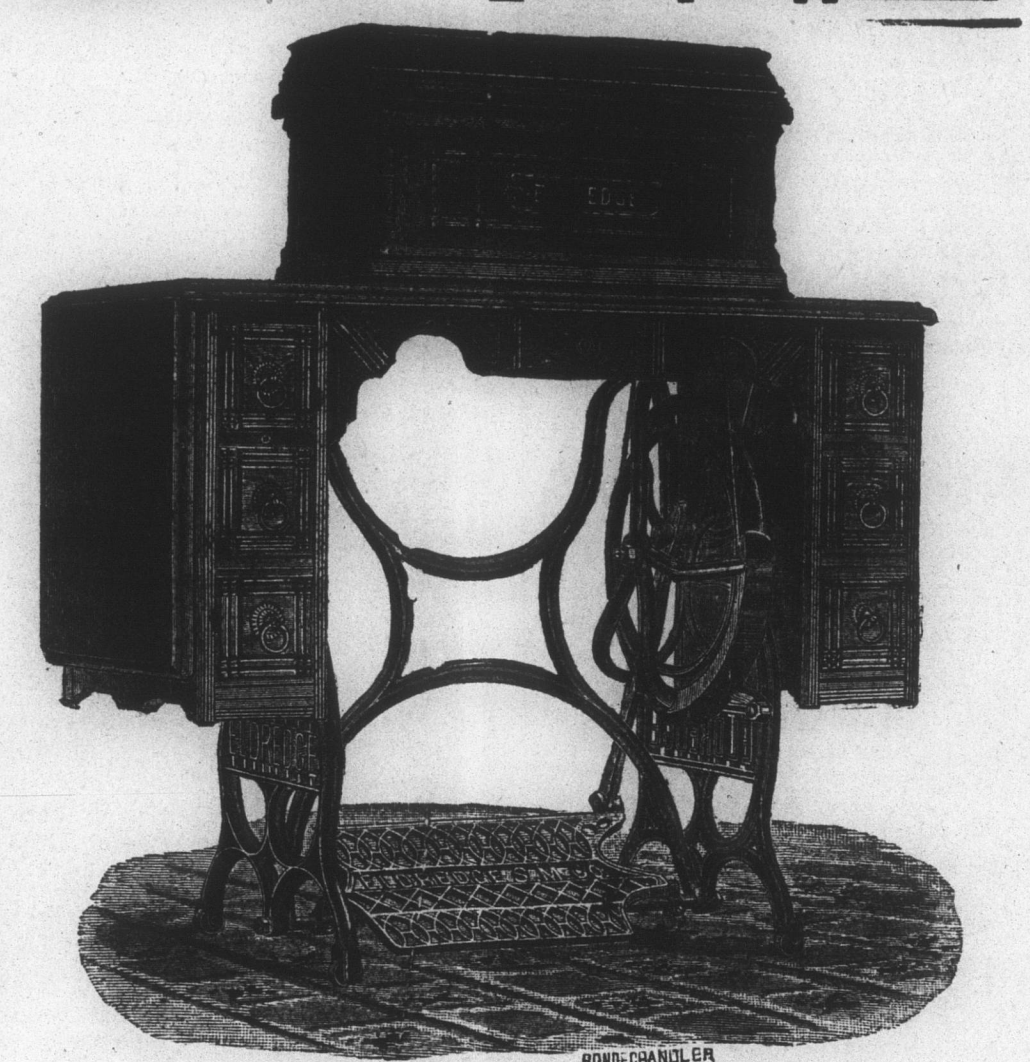
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