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TANNER will make it.

TANNER has gained nine pounds since Saturday noon.

The Catholics of Ohio had a field day at Columbus yesterday.

COL. SHELBAKER shot policeman Schumely at Cincinnati yesterday. A woman at the bottom of it.

Now that Dr. Tanner has made a success of his forty days fast, we could dispense with a great many of such things as cucumbers, green corn, and other civilized luxuries, and might create for ourselves a monument by sending them to the poor starving Indians.

The records show that the past six years William H. English was plaintiff in one hundred and eighty-five lawsuits. That forty-two of these were against women; that the Sheriff executed to him forty-one Sheriff's deeds, and that there was executed to him fifty-five tax deeds. William is the widow's hope, and the orphan's friend.

The speech of W. W. Curry at the Wigwam, on last Saturday night, was the occasion of a magnificent ovation from our citizens. Mr. Curry is an old wheel horse in the ranks of Republicanism, and we can say to our readers that a careful perusal of his speech, which we publish elsewhere, will demonstrate, and satisfy you that the Republican party in this campaign, as it always has been, is the party of correct principles affecting labor and prosperity.

The Wedding Customs of the Towkams.

In Central America is a country called Towka, and without doubt the Towkams, whatever else they may be, are the jolliest people in the world at a wedding. They appear to be such an ignorant race as to be unable to keep a record of the age of their children, except in a manner similar to that adopted by Robinson Crusoe, with his notched post for an almanac. The Towkams, however, do not touch their children. They hang around their necks at birth a string with one bead on and at the expiration of the year they add another bead and so on, the main object being seemingly that there may be no mistake when the young people arrive at a marriageable age. When a girl numbers fifteen beads she is marriageable, but the young man must possess a necklace of twenty beads he is reckoned capable of taking on himself so serious a responsibility.

But the wedding feast is the thing. The invited guests assemble on what answers to our village green, and set in the midst is a canoe, the property of the bridegroom, brimming with palm wine, sweetened with honey, and thickened with crushed plantains. The drinking-cups are calabashes, which are set floating in the fragrant liquor, and seated around it, the company fall to—a mark of politeness being to drink out of as many calabashes that have been drank out of by somebody else, as possible. It should be mentioned, however, to the Towkan's credit, that his wife is not present at this tremendous drinking bout or rather boat. She remains in her father's hut, and when her intended has finished with the calabashes he takes his whistle of bamboo and his "tom-tom," which is a hollow little log, tied over at each end with bits of leather, and, seating himself at the door of his parents-in-law prospective, he commences to bang and tinkle sweet music, until the heart of the tender creature within is softened, and they let him in.—London Globe.

THE POLITICAL FUTURE.

On the 26th day of May there was read at the Michigan University a paper on "The Western Man" which said among other things that the real Western man has become a thing of the past, and as he has now become stationary, the question is what will be the result of this absolute halt of our restless Western character. What sort of a civilization will be produced. The elements are so complex that the forecast of it must be purely speculation.

The situation has been so suddenly created that we scarcely yet apprehend its novel features. There is ample food for speculation on the future of the Western man, and at best we can but look upon the mingling of races, traditions, religious and varied civilizations, with awe. That which we see here is not new in the world nor has it always resulted in progress, some of the most stagnant communities in the Orient are the least homogeneous; but it is unique in this, that the field of operation is fresh, that the meeting elements represent the youth and adventure of many people, the restless spirit of aspiration, of dissatisfaction with the present; of willingness to cut loose from the past; and the moving energy of the whole is the Teutonic passion for acquisition and achievement. This is the motive for progress. The question of physical ability is settled. We hear no more of the deterioration of the Americans.

The delusion which has occasioned so much anxiety to foreign cities that the Americans would shake themselves to pieces or shrivel up in the dry air, that there could never be in this climate a robust and enduring race, has passed. The lank and parchment-skinned settler, who leaned against his cabin door, on the off days of his private earthquake, and pitied the passing emigrant, is no longer a type. The subjugation of the soil to cultivation, a generation of abundance, with more orderly living and improved cooking, have produced a different type of men and women. The lines have filled out; the eager look has given place to a more placid expression. The western man is to be large, powerful, full-blooded, filled with the confidence of supremacy, perhaps with a tendency to a too pronounced adipose superiority. Under these tremendous physical impulses what sort of society will be formed? How soon will the conventionalities of the old world overtake it, and how will they affect it? How far will it represent merely material prosperities. Will it be what other societies have been, with much wealth and the temptations of leisure, with the added breadth and freedom of the new condition. We think it cannot be a reproduction of any other? Will it be better or worse? This depends upon two things—education and religion—or rather upon the result of a diffused education which will produce a social status beyond the pale of our ordinary civilization. Now, the question is, in the midst of these conditions what will be the future political status of this Western man. He was born and bred with ideas of government peculiar to the West. His only luxury is a night of quiet sleep, and yet we know from the census that in the near future the governmental power will be transplanted from the East to the West; this in the nature of things, must be the result of our wonderful Western emigration, and just in what manner this growing power will be developed politically we are unable to say, but from the fact that labor is the fundamental principle of this Western emigration we can see that the future of Republican power is bright and glorious.

Now that Dr. Tanner has shown that he could fast forty days, and his case has been one of considerable interest, many medical gentlemen have commented on his experiment, among whom is Dr. Landers Brunton, editor of the *Practitioner*, who says:

"If the data are not certain, the experiment is of very little scientific value. We have had many cases purporting to be cases, which in the end were found to be impostures. The scientific value is lessened by the uncertainty of the conditions. It has been found before now that people can live a very long time without food. If Dr. Tanner had succeeded under proper conditions, the experiment would have added nothing to what was known before. It would only substantiate what was previously known, viz: that persons may live over forty days with nothing but water. There are several instances on record. I do not know, however, that there are any in which we find a man doing without food, and at the same time doing considerable work, as Dr. Tanner appears to have been doing, but, as I said before, the scientific value is much lessened by the uncertainty of the data. If these may be relied on, the experiment is only of interest as showing not only that a man may go without food a certain time, but also that he may do work in that state by using the store of nutriment in the body. He is living on his reserve stock of vitality, just as the camel will go without food many days. But the hump disappears. When the camel is in good condition the hump is full and fleshy, after starving it becomes thin and flaccid. The experiment is of interest as in the same connection the long walks of Weston and the long swim of Webb were of interest. No one would have believed these feats could have been done until they had been performed, and it is a just question whether it does not point to the kind of physique that is going to be the physique of the future. As the struggle for existence among men become harder the successful man will be the man who is able to do the most work on the least food. He will be, in fact, the cheapest machine. There are great variations in the amount of work that men will do on the same amount of food, just as there are variations in the amount of work which different makes of steam engines will do on the same amount of fuel.

We will finish Curry's speech in tomorrow's issue.

The Skating Party.

I shall never forget that beautiful moonlight evening when a party of young people had a wild frolic in skating on Mennebunk pond in H., a town in Vermont.

Squire Jenkins, the principal man of the little village, had three children—Ada, a lovely daughter of about 20 years, Lillian, aged 14, and Harry, a son of 12 years, who was blind. The misfortune of the child was very sad, yet, as he was of such sunny temper, and so gentle and kind, he was a universal favorite with all who became acquainted with him. He shared the sports of his playmates as far as possible, and when a skating party was formed, blind Harry went with the rest, drawn on a light sled by two of the swiftest skaters among the boys.

It is said that the blind have an acute sense of hearing and touch that others do not possess, and many facts seem to prove this theory correct.

The evening had passed very pleasantly with the skaters, until a challenge was given by a few to reach a certain point first—Harry's champions giving the lead, for on no condition would they leave him behind. Harry shared the excitement, and shouted and was eager to gain the desired point.

I forgot to tell you that the poor boy was not always blind. Two years before scarlet fever had left him as he was now; whether it would be a permanent affliction was not fully decided, yet it was feared to be the case. Of course Harry knew every spot, and felt through the kindness of his mates, an eager interest as if almost he could join in every game as of yore.

It had been much warmer for several days yet the ice was thought to be safe and thick. The contestants had nearly reached the farthest side when Harry, by a quick intuition, felt the ice crack and give beneath him, and felt a dampness strike his cheek. Instantly he gave a quick cry of alarm, and the next moment there was a crash, a scream, and Josiah Bentley, one of the boys drawing him, broke through a thin crust, going straight into an air hole and submerged his companion. The sled partially settled against the broken edges, and held, while Harry, firmly grasping his seat, bent carefully forward and plunged his hand into the icy current, catching hold of the sinking boy, who called frantically for help.

Rescue was at hand, but it was a work of great difficulty and danger, as the thin ice would bear but little weight. One of the lads, Paul Reed, saved himself by catching hold of the sled and drawing himself out. The other, "Si" Bentley, was held up by blind Harry until help arrived.

It was a narrow escape from death, yet no life was lost. They must have been drowned had it not been for Harry and his sled. When the party went quickly and soberly back to the house they had left so full of glee an hour before, and a warm supper was provided, do you wonder that tears mingled with the smiles as they gazed upon the three boys who so nearly found a watery grave?

The Law in Regard to Tax Sales.

All delinquents, purchasers of lands or lots, and other parties interested in tax sales should note the following from the revised statutes of 1879:

§216. Hereafter no purchaser or assignee of such purchaser of any land, town or city lot, at any sale of lands, or lots, for taxes or special assessments, due either to the state or county, or incorporated town or city within the same, or at any sale for taxes or levies otherwise by the laws of this state, shall be entitled to a deed for lands or lots so purchased, until the following conditions have been complied with, to-wit:

Such purchaser or assignee shall serve, or cause to be served, a written or printed, or partly written and partly printed, notice of such purchase, on every person in the actual possession or occupancy of such land or lot; also, the person in whose name the same was taxed or specially assessed; if upon diligent inquiry, he or she can be found in the county; also, the owners of or parties interested in said land or lot, if they can, upon diligent inquiry, be found in the county, at least three months before the expiration of the time of redemption on such sale; in which notice he shall state when he purchased the land or lot, in whose name taxed, the description of the land or lot he has purchased; for what year taxed or specially assessed; and when the time of redemption will expire. If no person is in possession or occupancy of such land or lot, and the person in whose name the same was taxed or specially assessed, upon diligent inquiry, cannot be found in the county, or the owners of or parties interested in said land or lot, upon diligent inquiry, cannot be found in the county, then such person, or his assignee, shall publish such notice in some newspaper printed in such county, and if no newspaper is printed in said county, then in the newspaper that is published in this state nearest to the county seat of the county in which such land or lot is situated, which notice shall be inserted three times, the first time not more than five months, and the last time not less than three months, before the time of redemption shall expire. Provided, however, that if the owners of said land or lot, or the parties interested therein, can not be found in the county, and the person in actual occupancy is tenant to, or is in possession under the owner or party interested therein, then service of said notice upon such tenant or occupant shall be deemed service upon owner or party interested; and provided, further, that if the owners or parties interested are unknown to such purchaser or his assignee, then the said publication, as to them, may be to the unknown owner or parties interested.

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Nothing bespeaks a true lady and gentleman or well-bred child more than the use of correct language: pure, clean speech. Cultivate good English in every-day conversation. Unclean speech is in keeping with a smutty face, begrimed hands and soiled clothes. Strange how easily and almost unconsciously one slides into a careless, slipshod way of talking, even when the rules of grammar are quite familiar. It is not uncommon to find people learned in all the rules of syntax who apply them to the art of writing, yet habitually talk incorrectly.

Cheerfulness is just as natural to the heart of a man in strong health as color to his cheek; and wherever there is habitual gloom there must be either bad air, or unwholesome food, or improperly severe labor, or erring habits of life.—Ruskin.

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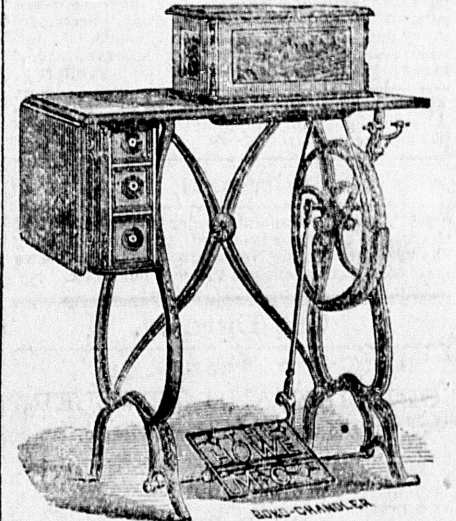
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