

## ODDS AND ENDS

A LADY in Bridgetown, N. J., has eight feet long.

This year is especially productive of fires, and the drain on insurance companies are correspondingly large.

DRIVING belts are made of linen that are more serviceable and durable than leather.

THREE thousand napkins are washed every night at the Hotel Brighton, Coney Island.

The Wisconsin State Normal Schools have dropped Greek, trigonometry, and astronomy from their courses of study.

The champion checker player of New England, Mr. William R. Barker, is insane, at Cambridgeport, Mass.

The London Truth calls English beer "heavy, stupefying and muddy stuff."

The armless and legless man in a Boston side-show has married the proprietor's daughter.

The fact that drunken and crazy men are always well supplied with knives and pistols is a sad feature in the records of crime.

HERB AUGUST GEIB, a young Hamburg book seller and prominent Socialist, who has just died, was followed to burial by 20,000 people.

GEN. FRANCIS WALKER is in favor of having ladies, in many places, make the canvass in taking the census.

R. B. Woodard, the founder of the celebrated Woodard Gardens, at San Francisco, died last week, and left an estate of \$2,000,000.

Miss Peter drew a revolver from her satchel and shot dead a Toledo hackman who struck her for not paying as much fare as he demanded.

Rev. Mr. Gibbs, colored, of Jersey City, has brought suit under the Civil Rights law against the proprietor of an ice cream saloon, for refusing to serve him.

MRS. GRANT said on being introduced to the Empress of Japan: "I have visited many countries, but have seen none so beautiful or charming as Japan."

A New York merchant telegraphed to Shanghai, China, 36,000 miles distant by wire, after breakfast one morning recently, and received an answer before dinner.

An old man in the Hartford (Conn.) county poor house has a well-authenticated claim for about \$100,000 of the French spoliation fund, and the money is in the United States Treasury.

A NORWICH, Connecticut, deacon has been prosecuted for making midnight salutes into his neighbor's garden with an empty bucket under his arm and returning with it full of cabbages.

The pastor of the Methodist Church at Oconto, Wisconsin, has announced to his congregation that he will preach again when they pay enough of his salary to enable him to buy a decent suit, and not before.

THOMAS WILSON, a philanthropic Baltimore coal dealer, has left \$500,000 to found a sanitarium for poor children; and \$100,000, the interest of which is to be applied to lessening the cost of coal to poor people.

A MURDER was committed in Smyth's Hotel at Cardington, Ohio, and the enraged populace formed a vigilance committee and burned the building to the ground. The bar was full of liquors and cigars, but it would have been worth a man's life to touch either. When the hotel and contents were past saving, the mob quietly withdrew and went to bed.

The guests at the Edge Hill, Pennsylvania, tavern, noticed that George Waterfield was downhearted, and when they found him lying on his face with a wound in his breast, they supposed he had committed suicide, but being unable to find the knife, an investigation was instituted, and it was found that the wound was made by a bullet shot from a rifle three quarters of a mile away.

## NEWSLETS

An Indian war is threatened in New Mexico.

NEW YORK wholesale merchants are busy all day and far into the night.

The European beet sugar crop is estimated at 1,610,000 tons, against 1,500,000 tons last year.

The Mammoth Cave, in Kentucky, was sold, the other day, to a company of New York capitalists for \$200,000.

The Great Industrial Exposition of New South Wales was opened a day or two ago at Sydney, with immense enthusiasm.

RUMORS of trouble between China and Japan continue. It is reported that both countries are making warlike preparations.

The Ohio Archery Association will have a tournament at Cincinnati on the 2d and 3d of October. Fifty ladies will contest for the championship.

During last week \$9,000,000 in gold was received in this country from Europe, and one shipment of \$5,000,000 was notified as dispatched on Saturday.

It is thought that the \$25,000,000 appropriation made by Congress for the payment of arrears of pensions will be entirely exhausted by the 1st of November.

The sum of \$130,000, the next installment in payment of the Mexican debt to the United States, has been forwarded from the City of Mexico to Washington.

THE Philadelphia Commercial Exchange has adopted the central system as a basis for the purchase and sale of flour, grain and seeds, to take effect January 1, 1880.

The Oneida community in New York have a farm of 700 acres under cultivation. Last year they cleared \$70,000 from this farm. More than \$100 per acre net profit in one year.

WHEN Cetywayo was captured he was utterly prostrated. He was taken

to Ulundi. During the march eleven of his followers tried to escape and six were successful, the other five were shot.

FORMERLY the Turkish Government allowed only 300 Jews to dwell in Jerusalem. Within the last ten years restrictions have been removed, and now over 12,000 inhabit their ancient capital.

It is announced, by authority of Secretary Sherman, that the Treasury Department will soon make arrangements to exchange gold and silver coin for United States notes at all the Sub-Treasuries in different parts of the country.

THE Bavarian government has forbidden the importation of Austrian cattle into Bavaria, by way of Switzerland, on account of the prevalence of the foot and mouth disease among cattle in the latter country.

A MEETING on the land question was held at Tipperary, Ireland, the other day, at which 18,000 persons were present. Resolutions were passed calling for the abatement of rents and the establishment of the present property system.

Part of the rock on which stands the castle of Lanpen, at Berne, Switzerland, measuring 18,500 cubic feet, fell recently on the road below, which is completely blocked up, only a few minutes before a passing diligence full of people. The castle itself remains intact.

THE war veterans of Indiana and Illinois, will hold a grand reunion at Camp Harrison, Terre Haute, Oct. 2d, 3d and 4th, under the auspices of the Grand Army of the Republic. Department of Indiana. The programme provides for the grandest meeting of the kind over held in the State.

THE Society of the Army of the Cumberland meets in Washington November 20, to unveil the monument of General Thomas. A committee of arrangements has been appointed, consisting of General Garfield, Congressman Young, of Ohio, and General McCook, of Sherman's staff.

STRINGENT rules are published in Russia to be observed by the universities where lectures have just begun.

The students are forbidden to belong to societies of any kind, hold meetings, complain of or orally disapprove the existing regulations, give private lessons or have their lectures printed.

A CORRESPONDENT at London, Eng., writes: "There is no prospect of the bi-metallic congress which America proposed should be held in London, and to which the British government provisionally consented, meeting this year. America's agents have failed so far to obtain the assent of some of the leading nations."

THE Russian journals continue their crusade against Germany, and assert, almost unanimously, although of course in different language, that Germany betrayed Russia during the negotiations which closed the war by the Berlin conference, and her policy transferred, at the initiative of England, the fruits of the Russian victories to Austria.

THE State Board of Health, of Wisconsin, has done a good thing for the children of that State, by printing for gratuitous distribution an eight-page pamphlet, entitled, "How Infant Mortality May Be Lessened." Two of its suggestions are that the babies should have plenty of fresh out-door air, and sleep in "the largest, sunniest, best ventilated room in the house."

THE Free Thinkers, who have just brought their convention at Chautauqua, New York, to a close, unanimously endorsed the Liberal League platform of Cincinnati. The principal speakers were George Jacobs, Colonel Ingalls, Elizur Wright, A. B. Bradford, Judge McCormick, Drs. A. B. Speeney, of Mississippi, and Colby, of St. Louis; Professor Tabey and Professor Bell.

AMONG the exports from New York for the week ending September 16th, were 2,000,000 bushels of wheat, more than 1,000,000 bushels of corn, nearly 6,000,000 pounds of cut meats, 1,500,000 pounds of butter over 3,000,000 pounds of cheese, more than 2,000,000 pounds of lard, and over 6,500,000 gallons of petroleum. Of the \$7,000,000 in exports for the week, \$749,953 were directed to London, \$1,774,24d to Liverpool, \$630,978 to Antwerp, \$444,045 to Glasgow, and about \$250,000 each to Bremen, Hamburg, Rotterdam and Antwerp.

THE Vještnik (newspaper) publishes a letter from Kiev, Russia, describing a terrible fire which occurred in that city on the 31st. While a furious storm was raging the fire broke out in seven different places. The offices of the fire brigade and the chief police station, a gunpowder magazine and four petroleum stores were simultaneously set on fire. The whole city was wrapped in thick, black clouds of smoke, and every now and then people were terrified by a series of detonations and loud explosions. The entire garrison and firemen of the suburbs and many inhabitants labored in earnest to extinguish the fire, but despite their efforts it continued until the morning of the second day after it broke out. The loss was enormous. Many lives were lost, including those of several children.

## INDIANA INKLINGS

THE total receipts of the Howard County fair were \$2,254.85.

An illicit still was seized a few days ago, in Knox county, by the revenue authorities.

A GREAT many valuable barns have been destroyed by fire in this State since harvest.

An unsuccessful attempt was made to break into the jail at Peru the other night, for the purpose of releasing the prisoners.

## A PARTY of sixteen girls recently left Indianapolis to seek homes in Colorado.

It has wonderful power on the bowels, liver and kidneys! What? Kidney Wort. Try it.

The military spirit is up in Hoosierdom, and a great many military companies are organizing.

FOUR years in the penitentiary was the mockery of a penalty recently inflicted in a Franklin county verdict for killing a man.

SARAH MOSELY is the oldest person in Jefferson county, and probably in the State. She is in her one hundred and fifth year.

RECENTLY at Wiltshire, Allen county, burglars broke into the store of Henry Altman and robbed the safe of \$4,000 in notes and \$1,500 in cash.

AT New Castle, the other day, three one-year-old colts weighed respectively 1,000 pounds, 1,035 pounds and 1,060 pounds. All three were the property of the stallion, Glencairn.

THREE persons—two men and a woman—of the big-foot tribe live near Wabash. The men wear, respectively, numbers fourteen and thirteen and the woman number ten.

WILLIE SCHITLER, a seventeen year old boy of Dubois county, a member of the Silver Star base ball club, was hit in the temple by a ball and injured so that he died next day.

JOHN NUESBAUM, living a few miles south of Wabash, is 105 years of age. His sight and hearing are good, and he moves about as nimbly as many a young man of seventy or eighty.

A DOG that was taken from Peru to Kansas City Mo. last fall, turned around and came home afoot and alone. The journey occupied a week of the faithful dog's valuable time.

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A YEAR ago one Scully, a pedestrian, gave an exhibition walk in Indianapolis, ostensibly for the benefit of the yellow fever sufferers, and decamped with the money. A singular coincidence, and one which illustrates the justice of fate, was his death in Memphis recently.

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