

Sting of the bee.—It may not be generally known that common whitening proves an effectual remedy against the effects of the sting of the bee or wasp. The whitening is to be moistened with cold water, and immediately applied. It may be washed off in a few minutes, when neither pain nor swelling will ensue.

Gold Washing.—According to the investigation of a German naturalist, the river Eider, which traverses part of the dominions of Hesse Darmstadt, Hesse Cassel, and Waldeck, contains as much gold as any of the rivers of Brazil. A company, on a large scale, is now forming to benefit by this discovery.

A plain answer.—In the jury court of Edinburgh a few years ago, a gentleman was prosecuted for trespass. The evidence on behalf of the plaintiff was conclusive, but the judge, as a matter of course, inquired whether any thing was to be urged in defence? Turning to a gentleman who sat within the bar, and who displayed a most lugubrious elongation of countenance, he said, "Pray, sir, are you concerned for the defendant?" "Yes, my lord, I am most deeply concerned. He's my brother!"

The Smiths motto.—We are pleased with mottoes, when they are really good and germane to the purpose. The Smiths of New York who have lately formed a Mutual Benefit Society and been chartered by the Legislature of that State, have the following from the ready pen of Woodworth.

A & unites the discontented ore,
Forming a whole of parts disjoined before;
So the pure flame of charity imparts
A welding heat, that warmly joins our hearts,

A writer in the Fitchburg Gazette complains of a fraud practised upon him in selling him in setting him wooden whet stones. He used one of them two or three days without suspicion, but was astonished and grieved at the expiration of that period to find that he had been sharpening his scythe with a painted stick.

An extraordinary 'Sea Monster,' (as it is called in a hand bill) was taken off Niantic Tuesday, and brought ashore for exhibition. It is said to be 100 feet long, and as big round as a barrel.—*Newburyport Herald*.

A Ruse de Guerre.—A tribe of Indians having assembled around a fort of North West Company, here threatening some very disagreeable measures, when the chief of the fort requested parley. When all were assembled he came forth with a black bottle in his hand. "This bottle," said he, "contains the small-pox, and unless you listen to reason, I will draw the cork, and permit it to spread over the land." He had no occasion to say more: the Indians, who entertained the greatest horror of this virulent disease, fell to beseeching that he would not open the bottle, and promised obedience to the last extent. This gentleman was ever afterwards called among them "the great Small-pox Chief."—*Adventures on The Columbia river*.

Water in Winter.—In winter, always set the handle of your pump as high as possible before you go to bed. Except in very rigid weather, this keeps the handle from freezing. When there is reason to apprehend extreme cold, do not forget to throw a rug or horse blanket over your pump. A frozen pump is a comfortable preparation for a winter's breakfast.—*Frugal house wife*.

The editors of the N. Y. Gazette, speaking of an experiment upon the inversion of trees, lately tried, in England, mentions the following curious fact with regard to a cherry tree, which was blown down in a gale of wind in 1804.—The tree lay in a position exactly horizontal; a portion of the roots remaining in the ground, and some of the branches, took root; several young trees sprouted from the old one, and bore cherries without stones.—*N. Y. Daily Ada*.

Transportation of Drunkards.—About 60 men and 40 females, from the streets and houses of Correction, have been conveyed to Fort Warren, a fine healthy situation, where they are usefully employed in fitting up the barracks for a House of Correction. The men are sent to work as soon as they can stagger under a load of bricks, and have plenty of good food and water. Every drunkard who loses his senses in reeling from a grog shop, will find himself, when he wakes up, carrying a brick load at Fort Warren.—*Boston Daily Advertiser*.

A member of congress, mistaking a black boy for his servant of the hotel, ordered the fellow to take off his boots, which the negro did so effectually that the member never saw them again.

I asked an honest hermit once, in Italy, how he could venture to live alone, in a single cottage, on the top of a mountain, a mile from any habitation? He replied that Providence was his very next door neighbor.

A dentist in a country town gives his address at "the debtor's prison," where he assures his customers, they may rely upon always finding him at home. Probably he would be better pleased if they were to find him "out."

Because the duke of Mecklenburgh married the daughter of a baker, the London wits assert that he kneaded a wife very much.

Milton, N. C. August 4.
Marriage and Death.—Married on Wednesday evening last, by the rev. D. A. Penick, captain Thomas L. Stevens, to Miss Martha J. Farley, daughter of Mr. James Farley, all of this town.

Died.—On the morning of the 27th ult., capt. Thomas L. Stevens, of this place, in the 36th year of his age. Seldom, if ever, have we witnessed a more unexpected or a more lamentable dispensation of Providence than that displayed in the death of our worthy townsmen and fellow-citizen. Married on Wednesday evening, he lived not to see the dawn of Friday morning. He retired to bed on Thursday night in apparent health and happiness, and without exhibiting any indication of illness; at five in the morning, his youthful and affectionate bride discovered him to be in the struggle and agonies of death. Medical aid was instantly summoned in vain; the insatiate archer had sped his arrow—the vital spark was gone.

New Orleans, August 18.

New Cotton.—A few bales of the new crop arrived here yesterday in the steamer Planet, from the plantation of Wm. Ogden, esq., situated near Alexandria, on Red river. Those who are judges of the article, pronounce it to be of a fine quality and superior staple, but gathered a little too early. This is the earliest cotton, we venture to say, that ever came into the New Orleans market; and we are informed that a large quantity was ready for bailing when the Planet left; consequently we may expect, that on her return, she will bring us a further supply of the fruits of Mr. Ogden's skill and industry—we wish him every success, and a substantial pecuniary remuneration for his untiring zeal in a laudable competition.

The crops of cotton and sugar throughout the state, so far as we have been able to ascertain, promises to be fair and yielding, and little doubt is entertained of an average crop.

Rising Sun, August 29th, 1832.

There was found on this day, a small boy floating along down the Ohio, opposite this place, and it was brought to the shore, and an inquest held over the same, and the jury brought in a verdict, that the child was drowned accidentally. The description of the child is as follows: he is supposed to be about six years of age, perhaps seven; he has what you may call white hair, had on a pair of pantaloons and roundabout of cotton cords, called the Pittsburgh cord; his shirt collar was sewed together, or tied with a dark colored string, he apparently had not been drowned along time, but looked very natural before taken out of the water.

[Statesman.]

A serious Accident.—Died suddenly in Manchester, on the 22d ultimo, Flavius Josephus, infant son of James and Priscilla Milliken, aged one year ten months and 25 days. The cause of this sudden death was as follows: On the morning of the 21st Mrs. Milliken had boiled a common bake kettle or dutch oven full of brine, or strong pickle, and having sent her children to a neighbor with permission to tarry an hour, set it out by the door, and in order that it might soon cool, left it uncovered; nor did she think any more about it until she from within, heard the piercing shrieks of her suffering babe, 20 or 30 minutes after she had set it there. She hastily flew to its relief, when lo! to her sad surprise, she beheld it emersed in the scalding fluid. It had accidentally fell backwards into the vessel, and thus it remained shrieking and writhing in agony. The accident happened about 10 o'clock A. M. and its sufferings which were most heartrending were terminated 15 minutes before two next morning.—*Statesman*.

We copy the following paragraph from the Morning Herald:

The humanity and policy of imprisonment for debt.—There are three at this time in confinement in Whitecross street prison whose ages conjointly amount to nearly 230 years and whose debt in the whole altogether do not exceed £4 10s. by which a charge is thrown upon the country for their maintenance for forty days each, costs of the court, and other expenses not less than £15. It was only last Christmas, a man with a family of children, was brought from Enfield, for a debt of five pence! The expense to the county, including conduct money per mile to the officer, was about 15s. Another man, with a family of six children, for a debt of 1s. 6d. was brought from a distant part of the county were not less than 50s."

We should like to ask, whether the savage, braining, roasting, ay, and if you please, eating his victim, can display so disgusting, so heartless, and so cruel a spectacle as is this—in the heart of London, the capital of a glorious people—not all professors of the meanest doctrines of Jesus, at least all philosophers and philanthropists! Alas! for the difference, we might go to New Zealand; and when we found them bad there, to Tristan d'Acunha, where there are only five or six individuals and beasts; and when Tristan d'Acunha offended us, go—to our graves.

The Charleston Patriot states that the Rail-road from that city to Hamburg, will most probably be finished by the first of January next. The number of persons now employed upon the work is stated to be six hundred.

We learn that the measles has made great and fatal ravages in Marblehead, Mass. According to accounts it has occasioned a mortality, equal relatively to that arising from the cholera in New York. No less than 60 children have died within the last two months.

"But won't you take my word, sir, when I tell you I will call and liquidate your demand on Saturday next?" said a delinquent debtor to a dunning creditor, with whom he had had sharp words. "No, sir," rejoined the other, "I had rather you would keep your word."

The Contrast.—The New York Franklin Daily Advertiser, says:—From the aspect of our streets, a stranger might infer that the ladies had mostly left the city:—from a peep into our churches, that the gentlemen had.

"What is the reason?" said the old marquis of F.—to his young wife, "that you can't enjoy my company at home, instead of running abroad; ought we not to be one person?" "Oh yes," said the lively brunette, "we certainly are so—and I hate solitude."

Good—good.—In Mexico, if one man kills another in a duel, the laws compel the survivor to pay all the other's debts. If such a law were in existence at Washington, there would be much less fuss among the *honorable*s.

Rev. Thomas Barret, pastor of the Baptist church in Webster, Mass. committed suicide a few days since by hanging himself. He had been in a melancholy state of mind for some days previous.

The Washington Globe of Monday, says:—"Advices have been received from Mr. Brent our Charge d'Affairs at Lisbon, that the first instalment of the compensation agreed to be paid by the Portuguese Government, for illegal capture of our vessels at Terceira, has been received, as well as the damages due to the mariners for their detention. The honorable manner in which the adjustment was effected, and the punctuality with which the payment (in a time which must be one of much pressure) was made, do the greatest credit to that Government."

The Washington Globe, of Monday, presents from the Register's Office of the treasury department, a revised comparative statement, showing the amount and rates of duties according to the existing rates, and as modified by the act of July 14, 1832, calculated upon the importations of the year ending 30th September, 1830. The net amount of duties according to existing rates is stated to be \$17,288,645; and the net amount under the new tariff estimated at \$12,101,567—a reduction of \$5,187,078.

Specie.—The schooner American arrived at New Orleans from Metamora July 19th, with two hundred and forty thousand dollars, all in "the real rhino!" What a foolish propensity it is, which induces men to part with real silver and gold for teas and silks and such things, which are good for nothing only to eat and drink and wear. Ten to one, this whole \$240,000 will be beat up into silver spoons and such like nick nacks, or else sent abroad after foreign trash.—*N. Y. Com. Adv.*

Subject of Relief.—A shrunken, leather-faced little man, was brought up as a common beggar. When called upon to state why he was begging about the city, he said, "Sair, I am von poor ole man; I was going to see my two dear chilid. I travel all de day from Cincinnati since de 25th of June. Sair, my lor, you soll let me go, an I vo nevar trouble you no more." It appeared that the old man was 79 years of age, that he came to this country with Lafayette, was at the battle of Brandywine and Monmouth, was wounded and disabled. On his promise to go out of the city, he was discharged.—*Boston Transcript*.

The Tunnel.—Boats have passed the subterranean passage through Grant's Hill, and safely debouched into the Monongahela river. The canal is also generally navigable, and our inland trade is brisk. Some sceptical gentleman have effected not to understand this under ground project; but they may not only see but go through it in a canal boat.—*Pitt. Min.*

May.—May is considered by the superstitious as an unlucky month to marry; or as the Scotch say, "uncannie." A lady who was courted in April, being solicited by her lover to name the day in the following month for the wedding, replied that May was an unfortunate month; and, being asked to name it in June, asked if April would not suit just as well!

Horsecheesnuts.—The powder of horsecheesnuts being mixed with a third of flour, is found to make better paste than that made from flour only. (Mech. Mag. viii.) We are glad to observe that these nuts can be applied to some useful purpose, and hope country shoemakers and bookbinders will take the hint.—*Gard. Mag.*

Dispersion of the Jews.—The Russian government, from a desire, we presume, still farther to enforce the scriptural curse against this people, has gradually removed three hundred and four Jewish families, consisting of two thousand individuals, to the wilds of Siberia; thus absolutely compelling them to spread themselves in regions which have no temptation to voluntary settlers.