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NAPLES' NOISY STREETS.

A City of Clatter and Shouting and Braying of Donkeys.

Naples is a noisy city, not with the heavy rumble of Broadway, but the clatter of light vehicles and the patter of little feet of horses and donkeys.

One exception to the general noise is in the barber's shop, where a half dozen men work in solemn silence, not discussing weather, politics or scandal with their victims.

A Conclusive Explanation.

Uncle Rastus was intently gazing at a newspaper when some of the young men from the factory passed the doorstep on which he was sitting.

"How is this, Mr. Arnold?" exclaimed the new doctor on meeting his would be benefactor in a convalescent walk.

A Shark of the Coal Period.

In the spring of 1893, B. Bradford of Warren county, Ia., found a perfect fossilized shark in the David Simons coal mine, near Carlisle.

A Bachelor's Mistake.

An awkward mistake was made by a Newcastle bachelor. He had occasion to write two post cards—one to the charwoman and the other to the lady of his heart.

Flavoring Fowls.

The curious method of burying a fowl that is either very fresh or threatens to be tough, which is often adopted by French cooks, may have a suggestion in it to some country housewives.

Commerce Versus Art.

McKell—Have you written any new songs lately? Popular Composer—Yes, several.

Horse Superstitions. Cable ends have a significance that few people realize now. The carved ridge tiles and representations of animals, such as horses and horsemen, and the stone balls all possess a meaning.

Horses were held to be sacred by the northern races and formed, next to a man, the worthiest sacrifice, and if a horse's skull was not put on the point of the gable a horse's head was carved.

At Yuletide oats are thrown out for St. Claus' horse (the cult of Odin having been transferred to St. Claus), and a person convalescent after a dangerous illness is said to have "given a feed to death's horse."

"Feasting a Duffer."

A friend of mine informs me that it is the easiest thing in the world to float an absolute duffer as a genius of the first class.

The Booming society would be a very good title for such a corporation, and as there are plenty of robotics with money who are anxious to persuade the world they are men exceptionally distinguished there would be probably every chance of such a project becoming a paying concern.

The New and the Old Schools.

There once lived a benevolent man at Carbondale, Pa., one Solomon Arnold, who was a constant and zealous believer in the allopathic school of medicine, but who, when a pre-pressing young doctor of the homeopathic order located in town, exhibited his sympathies with the striving neighbors to do likewise.

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Getting Back to the Judge.

A barrister named Bushe was making a speech for the defense when an ass began to bray loudly outside the court.

The Sacrifice of Love.

"Harry sent me a sonnet the other day," said one fair girl.

A Sad Story.

When the late Lord Falmouth was in the middle of his victorious racing career, so that he seemed to have a lease of all the great races, Lord Rosebery excited a good deal of amusement among his friends by getting a hundred letters of congratulatory lithographed in the following words:

Little Ethel—I had to write a composition 'bout Pocalontas.

Patronize Our Advertisers.

Early Use of Sugar.

The sugar cane and its uses have been known in India, its native home, from time immemorial. It is perhaps the earliest source from which sugar was produced, and all other modes of manufacture have been borrowed from or based on it.

Early in the sixteenth century the cane was taken from Sicily to Madeira and the Canaries. Thence it found its way to Brazil and Mexico, to Jamaica and Haiti.

Prevention of Disease.

It is claimed that every attack of disease is just so much against the future health of the patient. It is as though a given amount of endurance were parcelled out to the individual, and as much as this store is drawn from just so much remains.

The Czar Loves Mushrooms.

Whenever the czar leaves his state behind him and leads once a year a family life in Denmark, there is scarcely a morning that he does not go mushrooming, for what true lover of mushrooms cares for the insipid "buttons" from tin or bottle?

Shooting Stars.

Very careful observations have been made from time to time with a view to ascertaining the height of shooting stars above the earth at their appearance and disappearance.

A Rosebery Joke.

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Little Ethel—Yes'm, and her life was real sad. She saved a man's life, and he didn't marry her after all, an she had to hunt up some one else.

General Directory. NATIONAL GOVERNMENT. President—Grover Cleveland

STATE OFFICERS. Governor—J. S. Hogg. Lieut. Governor—M. M. Crain.

DISTRICT OFFICERS. Judge—J. W. Timmins. Attorney—G. W. Perryman.

COUNTY OFFICERS. Judge—J. M. Bell. Attorney—L. N. Halbert.

Commissioners. W. A. Stewart, -- Precinct No. 1

Justices of the Peace. W. A. Stewart, -- Precinct No. 1

COURTS. District court is held in Sonora on the third Monday in February

County court is held on the 3rd Monday in January, April, July and Oct. of each year.

Commissioner's court is held on the 2nd Monday in February, May, August and November in each year.

Justice court in Precinct No. 1 is held on the fourth Monday in each month.

Justice court in Precinct No. 2 is held on the second Monday in each month.

CHURCH DIRECTORY. METHODIST:—Rev. J. A. Wright, Methodist minister of the Sonora Mission will attend the following regular appointments:

BAPTIST:—Rev. J. W. Cunningham, pastor. Services held in Sonora on the first and second Saturdays and Sundays in each month.

Prayer meeting every Wednesday evening at 7:30.

Epworth League has devotional services every Sunday at 3:30 p.m.

The Juvenile Aid Society will meet on Saturday at 7:30 p. m., before the second Sunday.

Remember revival services will be held on each 2nd and 4th Sunday evening in each month during this conference year.

Fifty Dollars Reward Will be paid for the arrest and conviction of the party who removed or stole our pasture gate or the Sonora road, on the night of Friday, April 21.

SPECIAL NOTICE. We have sold our business and have placed books and all accounts in the hands of S. D. Foote, for immediate collection.

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