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DEAN STANLEY ON THE EARLY CHRISTIANS.—The Dean of Westminster recently delivered an interesting lecture on the "Early Christians." In the course of his lecture, Dean Stanley said:—It is reported that John Wesley once in the course of the night found himself as he thought at the gates of hell. He knocked, and asked who were within. 'Are there any Protestants here?' he asked. 'Yes,' was the answer, 'a great many.' 'Any Roman Catholics?' 'Yes, a great many.' 'Any Church of England men?' 'Yes, a great many.' 'Any Presbyterians?' 'Yes, a great many.' 'Any Wesleyans?' 'Yes, a great many.' Disappointed and discouraged, especially at the last reply, he traced his steps upwards, and found himself at the gates of Paradise, and here he repeated the same questions. 'Any Wesleyans here?' 'No.' 'Any Presbyterians?' 'No.' 'Any Church of England men?' 'No.' 'Any Roman Catholics?' 'No.' 'Whom have you, then?' he asked in astonishment. 'We know nothing here,' was the reply, 'of the names you have mentioned. The only name of which we know anything is Christian. We are all Christians here, and of those we have a great multitude, which no man can number, of all nations, and kindreds, and peoples, and tongues.' That is the truth which we should have to learn hereafter about the name Christian, and it may be as well for us to learn it here. It includes and comprises and overrides all the other names by which men have been divided, because it is the name derived from Him to whom they all look, from whom they are all descended, and in whom they all live. Christianity is a nobler name than any particular form of Christians. Christendom is a more magnificent name than any particular creed or section of Christians.

SOLOMON AND THE QUEEN OF SHEBA.—A Rabbini once told me of an ingenious invention which in the Talmud is attributed to Solomon:—The power of the monarch had spread his wisdom to the remotest part of the known world. Queen Sheba attracted by the splendor of his reputation visited this practical king at his own Court. There one day to exercise the sagacity of the monarch, Sheba presented herself at the foot of the throne.

In each hand she held a wreath; the one was composed of natural and the other of artificial flowers. Art in the labor of the mimetic wreath had exquisitely emulated the lively hues of nature, so that at the distance it was held by the queen for the inspection of the king it was deemed impossible for him to decide, as her question imported which wreath was the production of nature and which the work of art. The sagacious Solomon seemed perplexed; yet to be vanquished, though in a trifle, by a woman irritated his pride. The son of David—he who had written treatises on the vegetable productions, 'from the cedar to the hyssop'—to acknowledge himself to be outwitted by a woman with shreds of paper and glazed paintings! The honor of the monarch's reputation for divine sagacity seemed diminished, and the whole Court looked solemn and melancholy. At length an expedient presented itself to the king, and it must be confessed worthy of the naturalist. Observing a cluster of bees hovering about a window he commanded that it should be opened. It was opened: the bees rushed into the Court and alighted immediately on one of the wreaths, while not a single one fixed on the other. The baffled Sheba had one more reason to be astonished at the wisdom of Solomon.—[J. C. Disraeli.]

A MARTYR TO PATRIOTISM.—A small farmer residing in the hamlet of Villebeau (Seine-et-Oise), has, in a fit of mental aberration, deprived himself of sight, that he might no longer be a witness of the occupation of his country by the Prussians, who had burned down all his property in his presence, a member of his family perishing in the flames. He had often threatened that he would tear out his eyes, and everything that could be thought dangerous was kept out of his way. He, however, got hold of a book which described the Chinese method of blinding offenders of high position, by placing a small portion of quick lime over the eyes and tying it down with a wet bandage. He procured some lime, applied it in this manner, and destroyed his sight.

The New York World has an interesting letter on the enormous increase of iron ship-building in Great Britain. The great centre of this interest is the river Clyde, both shores of which are lined for miles with shipyards. The writer says, upon what he considers good authority, that there are 5,400 iron steamers now building in the United Kingdom. He adds that the British merchants are diverting their maritime trade from sailing vessels to steamers as fast as they can, the completion of the Suez canal being the great event which has awakened them to the increased advantages of steam over sail.

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Stanley (Mouth Last Chance Creek),
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THE CARIBOO SENTINEL

SATURDAY, JAN. 13, 1872.

THE MINING LAWS.

Several alterations in the Mining Ordinance will be considered in the coming session of the Legislature; and no amendment would give greater satisfaction than a clause exempting wholly or partially from representation, for such time as the Gold Commissioner should think proper, those claims which have been prospected or worked for one or more seasons without pay, having been obtained. Such an enactment would have the effect of preserving to miners any fruits of their labor, by allowing them time in which to obtain the means of continuing their operations. Men would undertake the prospecting of ground with greater confidence did they know the reward of their work would not be reaped by others, and such a provision would also check "jumping" by silently denying the right to gain by another's loss. There are claims now, the names of which could be mentioned, that in the ensuing season will probably be lost to the owners unless entire or partial exemption from representation be given, thereby enabling the owners to obtain means to complete the prospecting of their claims.

It is true that the privilege of which we speak might be abused could any one avail himself of it at his pleasure, but a discretionary power in the hands of the Gold Commissioner would prevent any such abuse, and would be more desirable than a positive rule that claims should be exempt under certain circumstances, as the spirit of such a rule might be evaded and litigation arise, while the Gold Commissioner exercising a discretion based on the exigency of the case, would be able to make a suitable order or refuse any exemption where parties not entitled to it. The subject has already met the attention of one of our representatives, and there is little doubt the required amendment will be made.

BRITISH COLUMBIA UNDER RESPONSIBLE GOVERNMENT.

The province of British Columbia has now a Legislative Assembly consisting of twenty-five members, wholly elected by the people. The term "Government" should cease to be one of reproach, inasmuch as it has become the "vox populi." To their representatives the people have committed the welfare of the country for the next four years, and it will be interesting to watch their proceedings, possessing as they do supreme control. Many are the matters requiring reform, and the first session under responsible government will be an eventful one. On looking over the list of members, it is evident there is no lack of talent, and that there is in the House ability to successfully manage the business of the province, if not interfered with by evils which in some cases may be the result of party government. With each one doing his best to facilitate the working of the political ship, the desired haven, wholesome legislation, will be obtained; but if the members of the House be concerned more about their private interests than the public weal, the ship of state will become dismantled—will be misgilded or not guided at all, and instead of reaching port lie wallowing in the trough of party strife.

THE CHIEF COMMISSIONERSHIP.—By a private telegram from Mr Walkem, dated Chilliwack, Jan. 6th, we learn that that gentleman has accepted the office of Chief Commissioner of Public Works. Mr Holbrook, who has held this appointment since the formation of the Ministry, will still continue a member of the Executive. The writ for the election of a member consequent on Mr Walkem's acceptance of office, will probably be here by the mail after next, and his re-election will, we apprehend, be as usual in such cases, a mere matter of form.

BARNARD'S EXPRESS may be expected on Monday or Tuesday forenoon. The mail had not left Yale up to yesterday.

IMPORTANT MINING DECISION.—Yesterday, in the Gold Commissioner's Court, it was decided that a Company which had continued work into the close season was entitled to recover assessments for such work from a dissenting shareholder. This question, to say the least, has been a vexed one for some time. One of our representatives had intended to propose in the Legislature an amendment to the Mining Laws that two-thirds of a company might decide whether a claim should be worked during the close season. The amendment would still be useful, inasmuch as the ruling of two-thirds of a company on such a subject would be preferable to that of a bare majority, and the decision alluded to does not go so far as to determine whether a company having stopped work during the close season is entitled to resume operations before the mining season opens.

"PRIVATIONS."—On their trip down from Yale, Messrs. Walkem, Humphreys and Going suffered severely from fatigue and cold. When all our representatives get through, they will be able to point out with greater force the necessity of a decent road from Yale to New Westminster, although so severe a trip as that alluded to is not anticipated for those of our number who leave by the next express, as they may be able to go by the river, unless the cold should become as great as that experienced by Mr Walkem and his companions.

MAIL COMMUNICATION.—In November there was occasion to complain of the irregularity of the mails. We are again without them since the 24th December last, and are likely to continue so for over a week more. The department is under the control of the Dominion Government, and the irregularity is caused by the mails not being made up at New Westminster and delivered to the contractors at the proper time.

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Large Specimen! \$500 in Gold Coin!

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440 Chances, - - \$5 each Chance.

The Highest Throw to take the Specimen, the Lowest the \$500 in Gold, the others in proportion.

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The Drawing will take place at the Brewery Saloon, Barkerville, on

MONDAY, 15TH JANUARY NEXT.

The Lottery will be under the Superintendence of Mr Charles Vaillancour.

FOR SALE.

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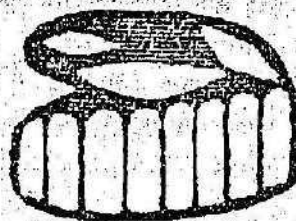
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J. HARPER.

Clinton, B.C., Dec. 20, 1871. de23 3m

DR. SIDDALL



Having returned to Barkerville, may be found adjoining the Government Assay Office, for a short time only, as he intends soon to leave this country for good.

DENTISTRY

performed in all its branches. Parties requiring anything of the kind done will please call at their earliest convenience, as this will be their last chance. Barkerville, Dec. 30, 1871. de31 1m

Vanwinkle Store.

LIGHTNING CREEK.

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NOTICE.

TAN FAT HAVING DISPOSED OF HIS INTEREST in the business carried on in Barkerville under the name and style of WA LONG, is no longer authorized to collect any debts due to the concern.

WA LONG, Chinese Store, de9 1m

Barkerville, Dec. 9, 1871.

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SALOON

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JAMES H. REHR, Agent for the proprietors. Quesnelmouth, B.C., Dec. 16, 1871. de23 1m

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THE CARIBOO SENTINEL

SATURDAY, JAN. 13, 1872.

MINING INTELLIGENCE.

WILLIAM CREEK.

The Forest Rose co. continue rocking. The Ballarat co. are still running through old ground.

STOUT GULCH.

The Mucho Oro and Taffvale companies have resumed work, and are rocking under ground.

THE MEADOWS.

The Lane & Kurtz co. are sinking their shaft with considerable speed.

JACK OF CLUBS CREEK.

The Discovery co. have started work again. The Two Sisters co. has been impeded during the week by a huge boulder in the face of the drive.

LOWHEE CREEK.

The Victoria co. have been raising an air shaft. The Black Bull co. are hoisting and piling their dirt.

FORKS OF QUESNEL.

There are about 350 Chinamen at this place, who during the summer have been mining, making from 50c. to \$15 a day. Only one company of white men have been working on the North Fork, the Chinamen having this mining section all to themselves.

MINING RECORDS.

WILLIAM CREEK.

Jan. 8.—Recorded in favor of Jas. D. Loring, James E. Taylor, Wm. Thompson, John A. Brown, and George Isaacs, 3 hill claims on right side of William creek, commencing about 150 feet below the Eldorado tunnel and running up stream 300 feet and back to the summit of the hill, to be known as the Railroad co.

DEVIL'S CANYON CREEK.

Jan. 8.—Recorded in favor of Wm. Jeffares, Daniel Carey, Thomas Allen, and Jos. Carothers, four creek claims, commencing at a stake at the upper end of Chisholm's ditch and running up stream 400 feet. To be known as the Canyon co.

LIGHTNING CREEK.

Jan. 9.—Recorded in favor of John Hunter, Geo. Duff, and John Patterson, the whole of the Dunbar co.'s claims, consisting of four interests. Re-record.

Jan. 10.—Recorded in favor of Jacob Holmes, Isaac Lipsitt, Pat. Lynch, John Wilkinson, Jos. Bell, Richard Rowling, G. Topiano, and Fred. Mills, in trust for the Victoria co., eight hill claims on the north side of said creek, commencing at lower line of Victoria co. and running up stream, being a re-record of Victoria co.'s hill claims.

JACK OF CLUBS CREEK.

Jan. 8.—Recorded in favor of Jas. Laidlaw, Alex. McFarlan, and Geo. Cowan, three creek claims on Jack of Clubs creek, commencing at the upper line of Humboldt co. and running up stream 300 feet, to be worked in conjunction with and form part of said co.

MINING COURT.

[Before H. M. BALL, Esq., Gold Commissioner.]

FRIDAY, Jan. 12, 1872.

THE AMBROSE CO. vs. S. B. TOMPKINS.—This was a suit brought to recover the sum of \$147.50 for assessments incurred between 1st November and 11th December.

Mr J. S. Thompson, Secretary of the Company, appeared on their behalf, and asked for judgment under the 81st section of the Mining Ordinance, contending that one shareholder could not separate his interest from the rest, and was bound by the act of the majority.

Mr Tompkins appeared on his own behalf, and produced receipts for assessments up to 1st November, which he claimed released him until the 20th May. He argued that he was entitled, as regarded his one full interest, to the benefit of the order of the Gold Commissioner of the 1st November laying over all claims, and was not bound to pay any more assessments until the end of the close season, having given notice to the foreman to that effect.

The Judge held that the company might decide to continue the working of the claim during the close season under the 81st section of the Mining Ordinance, and that the defendant, as a shareholder in the Company, was bound by such decision;—that the order of the Gold Commissioner of the 1st November, laying over claims, was not compulsory on the Company, but only permissive, and that an individual shareholder could not refuse to pay his assessments when the company had continued work.

The Judge remarked that if the defendant's contention were correct he would receive his

share of any money taken out without having contributed anything towards obtaining it. Judgment for plaintiffs for full amount and costs.

THE LANE AND KURTZ COMPANY.

The works of this Company are situated at the Meadows, about three miles from Barkerville, and have been erected at a cost of about \$65,000. Our space will not admit of the full description of them we should wish, but every one who has not seen them in working order is recommended to pay a visit.

One of the first ideas that strikes the visitor is the ease and smoothness with which the whole machinery runs and the order and regularity of the works generally; and by the time he has observed and been shown the different pieces of machinery, the mode of handling them, their character and adaptation, he will wonder how they came in Cariboo, and almost fancy himself in one of the factories of a manufacturing district.

The following is a short description of the machinery and works:—Engine, 14x30 inch stroke; estimated at 107 horse-power, when making 60 revolutions with 90 lbs. of steam; is furnished with an extra pump for feed, runs two Cornish pumps of 10 inch bore and 6 feet stroke, hoisting the dirt and driving the sawmill. The latter is working well, having plenty of power. It is intended to place elevators to carry the sawdust to the boilers, there to be used for fuel, and in the spring to procure a Wadworth tonguing and grooving machine, capable of planing 8000 feet per day, also a cut-off saw; in short, to make it a first-class sawing and planing mill.

The shaft, 4x12 in the clear, is situated between the old Montreal and Enterprise shafts, and is down 80 feet from the platform, stiff clay being found at the bottom. The quantity of water thus far is so little that it is not sufficient to keep one pump working more than one-fourth of the time. The frame building, well braced, shingled and finished, covers the sawmill, hoisting works, blacksmith's shop, engine and boiler.

The benefit Cariboo has derived from this enterprise is considerable, but should the undertaking prove successful the advantage will be great indeed. Should that portion of the ground now being worked prospect well, more shafts on other portions of the grant will be sunk next spring and summer; and we may say that on the success of the Lane & Kurtz Co. depends in a great measure the influx of capital to Cariboo. Colonel Lane leaves by the next express on his way to California. Unassisted and alone he has managed the Company's business in British Columbia, and prosecuted the operations to their present state of efficiency, for which he is entitled to all credit. We wish him a safe journey home and that success in his undertaking he so well deserves, and which there is good reason to believe he will obtain.

REGISTER OF THERMOMETER.

At Richfield, Wm. Creek, from Dec. 29 to 12th Jan., '72, taken at 9 a.m. each day, showing the highest and lowest range for preceding 24 hours:

	Max.	Min.
December 29—	2 above zero.	18 below zero.
30—	17 below "	40 below zero.
31—	20 below zero.	38 "
January 1—	2 above zero.	22 "
2—	24 above zero.	10 "
3—	29 "	23 above "
4—	30 "	14 "
5—	34 below zero.	20 "
6—	38 above "	22 "
7—	31 "	23 "
8—	34 "	13 "
9—	35 "	3 "
10—	27 "	2 "
11—	32 "	7 "
12—	26 "	8 "

The mean temperature for December, 1871, was 2.59°, against 18.48° for the corresponding month in 1870, the highest point reached being 38° above and the lowest 40 below zero. The thermometer was below zero on 18 days against 5 in 1870; on 11 days it never got above zero at the highest.

MAIL FROM OMINECA.—A small mail from this place was brought to Quesnelmouth by Lewis, the expressman, and received at Barkerville on Thursday last.

THE GOVERNMENT ASSAY OFFICE.

EDITOR SENTINEL.—It being the duty of the Press to diffuse correct information among the public, I beg to call your attention to a paragraph which appeared in your issue of the 6th inst. with regard to the Government Assay Office, and which statement I think will not be sustained by facts. It is there averred that "had the amount of gold dust which was assayed in 1871 been sold before the establishment of the office the miners would not have got so much for it by about \$14,000." This, Mr Editor, is a grave allegation, and tends to reflect unfairly upon the business men of Cariboo; but judging from the following results derived from assays recently made, taken at random, I can only come to the conclusion that the compiler of the statement referred to arrives at the stated result through the means of some pet theory of probabilities.

Following is the result of three different assays, and which may be taken as a fair sample of transactions of this kind, viz.: 100 oz. from Lightning creek, after melting, produced a bar weighing 96.86 oz. fine 886-\$1,774 01—less discount, \$62 09; 3 per cent. for assaying, \$8.87; nett cash, \$1,703 05. The same 100 oz. sold at the usual price of \$17 10 per oz. would produce \$1,710, making a difference of \$6 95 against the Assay Office. 100 oz. Lowhee creek, after melting, 94.75 oz.; fine, 903-\$1,768 66; less discount, \$66 30; assay charges, \$8 84—\$75 14—\$1,693 52. 100 oz. sold at \$17 12 would bring \$1,712; showing loss by assaying, \$18 48. 100 oz. of Antler, after melting, 93 50 oz.; fine, 844-\$1,636 99; less discount, \$18 90; assay charge, \$18 15—\$58 85—\$1,578 14. 100 oz. sold at \$16 per oz. would bring \$1,600; showing loss by assaying, \$27 86.

With regard to the other statement—viz., that the price of gold has advanced since the establishment of the Assay Office in 1870 from 1½ to 3 per cent.—the price of gold dust has certainly advanced in British Columbia since the halcyon days of the Hudson Bay Co., when it was sold at \$11 per oz.; but I think that a mere tyro in political economy will see that this is due, like other changes in commerce, to the inexorable law of supply and demand,—to cheaper freights, more competition, and many other reasons that I might adduce. Gum boots, champagne, candles, and cocktails, and many other commodities which are necessary to the comfort and well-being of the honest miner, have changed prices in his favor. Will the Assay Office arrogate to itself the credit for this also? The argumentum ad absurdum might be followed indefinitely, but further comment is, I think, unnecessary; and I leave the matter to the decision of an intelligent and unprejudiced community.

PRO BONO PUBLICO.

[We would remind our correspondent that by asserting gold does now sell for more than it assays, he does not refute our remarks that had the dust assayed in 1871 been sold before the establishment of the Assay Office the miners would not have got as much for it by about \$14,000; nor refute that dust since such establishment has increased in price from 1½ to 3 per cent. But "Pro Bono Publico" does assist the proof of our statement. He admits 100 oz. of Lightning creek dust now sells for \$1710, Lowhee for \$1712, and Antler for \$1610. Until the opening of the Assay Office only \$1648 would have been given for 100 oz. Lightning dust, \$1683 for Lowhee and \$1546 for Antler; and while gold dust has, since the Assay Office opened, increased in price, "gum boots, champagne, candles and cocktails" since that time have not changed in favor of the miner. The reader will observe the price of gold before assays were made, and the amount as admitted by our correspondent assays produce to the miner, and will then see why it is that dust has so much increased in price.—ED. SENTINEL.]

NOVEL POTATO CART.—Australian Andrew made his appearance this week in Barkerville with a novel potato cart, to wit: a sleigh-housed in, and in its charcoal burning stove—an original and effective means of preventing his vegetables from freezing during the severe weather we have lately experienced.

NARROW ESCAPE.—As three men were being lowered down the shaft of the South Wales co., Lightning creek, this week, the break would not work properly, and all went down with tremendous speed. Fortunately there were four feet of water in the sump hole, and they escaped without damage of any consequence.

OMINECA INTELLIGENCE.

We are indebted to Mr Edward Pearson, who arrived yesterday from Quesnelmouth, for the following news:

Messrs. Lewis and Gardner, with the Omineca mail and express, arrived at Quesnelmouth on the 8th inst. They were 33 days making the trip from Germansen creek, having been detained on account of the extremely cold weather. Three miners—Jas. Williams, Mathew Dalton and James Welsh—came down in company with the expressmen.

On Germansen creek, the lowest at which the thermometer had stood when the expressmen left was 56° below zero, and when they passed Stuart's Lake the thermometer registered 50° below zero.

Paul Ercole came down with the party as far as Stony creek, where he remained on account of sickness to recuperate. He is expected to arrive at Quesnelmouth in a few days.

P. O'Reilly, Esq., and Capt. Wright were camping at the foot of Babine Lake, and as soon as the weather moderated would continue on their journey to Victoria by way of the Skeena. The lake was frozen over.

Considerable prospecting had been done on Germansen and Mansen creeks. It was reported that Jim May had struck good prospects in a claim near the Tabogan co., on Germansen creek.

There were about 150 men wintering in the Omineca country, and there were provisions sufficient to last them into but not beyond June next.

SAFE.—The public have been in some doubt as to the movements of Messrs. O'Reilly and G. B. Wright, and some anxiety for their safety was caused by reason of no tidings of them having been heard for a length of time. It must have been towards the end of November or beginning of December when they were at Babine Lake, and they still had an arduous journey before them if they intended going down the Skeena. Communication between the mouth of this river and Victoria is most uncertain at this time of the year, and it may be some time before these gentlemen get to civilization.

MR J. S. THOMPSON.—By the next express this gentleman leaves for Ottawa to represent Cariboo and Lillooet districts in the Dominion Parliament. Those who during his residence in Cariboo for the past ten years have known Mr Thompson, have not failed to recognise in him that ability and intelligence which so well fit him for the position he is about to fill. His friends, the number of whom is not few, wish him a safe journey to Canada and back, and a pleasant time while he remains there.

QUESNELMOUTH.—The road to this place is in first-rate condition. Both Fraser and Quesnel rivers are frozen over, so that there is no difficulty in crossing.

FOR VICTORIA.—Cornelius Booth, M.L.C., arrived at Quesnelmouth on the 8th inst. by Pearson's team, and left next day en route to Victoria.

THE TELEGRAPH.—We have been requested to state that the line between here and New Westminster is in good working order.

THE BOOK LOTTERY comes off at the Brewery on Monday, and not more than half-a-dozen chances are left.

THE next Omineca Express will leave Quesnelmouth in about a fortnight.

THE RAILROAD STORE (nearly opposite the Government Assay Office, Barkerville).—This store has been opened by Mr C. A. Noltemeier in connection with his store in Victoria, with the largest and best assortment of boots and shoes ever brought to Cariboo. He has introduced, novelty in the form of warm Winter Boots for both ladies and gentlemen. Leather and Shoe findings and Groceries are also kept on hand. Boots made to order, from best materials, for \$15 per pair. Repairing done.

JACK BUDGE OF THE MUDSCOW.

BY JOHN HAYGH.

Oh, yaas! I know'd him like a book;
I know'd him both root and branch,
And there weren't a better hearted cuss
Went loafin' around this ranch.
I guess you're a stranger in these parts,
For its gettin' mighty late,
To tell the story how bold Jack Budge
Saved the staunch old mudscow Kate.

He warn't no common slouch, you bet!
He'd the heart of a roarin' lion;
And his hands were as hard as knotted oak,
And his heart was as tough as iron.
He'd take no cheek, but as quick as thought
Would out with his flashin' knife,
And rip it into a fellow's ribs.
The most nateral thing in life.

I've seen him gouge out a sucker's eyes,
And claw off the end of his nose;
Then put six slugs through his tarnal hide,
As easy as "here she goes."
Yer, Jack was a noble-hearted boy,
There's no discount on that;
And he laid out his critter every time
That he made up his mind for a spat.

Lor', I've seen him mash his dad in the jaw,
And snap his old mother's snoot;
And if they chinned him back again,
Black both their eyes to boot.
He cussed and drank like a bully boy,
And I wish we had him back.
Ah! if ever a Christian went aloft,
That Christian was poor old Jack.

But I'm clean forgettin' the mudscow Kate,
That Jack Budge chance to save,
With cap'n and crew and passengers,
From a sarlin watery grave.
I've heard him swear, if the times should come
An't he should be aboard,
That he'd die to save that brave old scow,
If it snaked him afore the Lord.

And this is the way it was, you see:
'Twere a starless night in June, I head,
He was a playin' the drum on a shipmate's
Below, with a stone spittoon;
When the cap'n called all hands on deck,
For the waves was risin' high,
And the air was full of angry sounds,
And a storm was in the sky.

The barometer hung on the binnacle mast,
And it made a dredful show,
As the mercury fell, and fell, and fell,
Till it never fell so low.
What did Jack do as he saw it fall?
He gave an orful frown,
And seized the darn jiganares in a flash,
And turned it upside down!

As he held it tight in a deathly grasp,
He shivered from top to toe;
For the storm fought hard to have its way,
But it hadn't no sort of show,
For his grip was a grip of iron you see,
And he gripped with a grim despair,
Till the clouds cleared off and the wind died,
And the sky once more was clear.

But he still held that barometer
The downside up, as you've heard,
And stopped that storm a comin' on,
To be just as good as his word,
And he never let go that hold of his,
And he never again drew breath,
For strugglin' with thunder and lightning so
Had made him fresh meat for Death.

Yes, he got his ticket to see the show,
When his last brave fight was fit,
And Jack Budge handed that ticket in
At the gallery, not the pit,
And he is an angel now, sure pop,
In his home of eternal rest,
And he is loafin' around with the saints above
Just as good a saint as the best.

A SLIGHT MISTAKE.—The following amusing incident is said to have occurred a Sunday or two since at the parish church of a village a short distance from Hanley:—An eloquent preacher had made an appeal on behalf of the Sunday schools, and the churchwardens were making a collection from pew to pew. One of these functionaries came at length to a pew occupied by the wife of a flourishing publican. Notwithstanding the stirring appeal which had just been made, Dame Quickley had been overcome by sleep, and did not immediately deposit her contribution, so the churchwarden gently nudged her with the plate, whereupon the good lady, being brought to a semi-wakeful state, coolly swept the contents of the plate into her lap, with the distinctly audible remark—"All right, waiter; five pints and three papers of tobacco."—[Leeds Mercury.]

NEW READINGS OF THE MARRIAGE SERVICE.—

A Hampshire incumbent recently reported some of the blunders he had heard made in the marriage service by that class of persons who have to pick the words up as best they can from hearing them repeated by others. He said that in his own parish it was quite the fashion for the man, when giving the ring, to say to the woman—"With my body I thee wash up, and with my hurdle goods I thee and thou." The women were generally better up in this part of the service than the men. One day, however, a bride started him by promising, in what she supposed to be the language of the prayer book, to take her husband, "to have and to hold from this day forth n't for betterer horse for richerer power, in siggerness health, to love cherries and to bay." What meaning this extraordinary vow conveyed to her own mind the incumbent said it baffled him to conjecture.

BIOGRAPHY BOILED DOWN.—Bonaparte I.—

A harem-scarem sort of a fellow, who occupied a position of considerable responsibility in the French nation. The impression went abroad that he was ambitious, which damaged his reputation considerably. He gained the respect and admiration of the French nation because, happily, he was not a Frenchman. When asked if he thought he could govern France, he replied: "Of Corsican."—Julius Cæsar—Son of old man Cæsar. He was born at Rome in his infancy, and upon arriving at the state of manhood became a Roman. He was a fighter and a warrior of some note. His friend Brutus one morning asked how many eggs he had eaten for breakfast, and he replied "Et tu Brutus!" His friend became enraged at being called a brute, and stabbed Cæsar quite dead.

The Pueblo (Colorado) Chieftain gives a funny account of a Chicago newspaper man who stopped in the flourishing young city of Greeley, and, being athirst, tried in vain to get a square drink. "He went up one street and down another, he turned the corners of alleys, he sprung over ditches, he explored sheds and out-houses, but the fluid for which his soul yearned could nowhere be found." He went hap-bazard into one building which he thought might be "a saloon," and encountered a prayer-meeting. In another hall he found a farmer's club. Finally, he received trustworthy information that "there was not a drop of liquor in the place." He left, and wrote to his journal that the town of Greeley was "without inhabitants, without resources, and without commerce."

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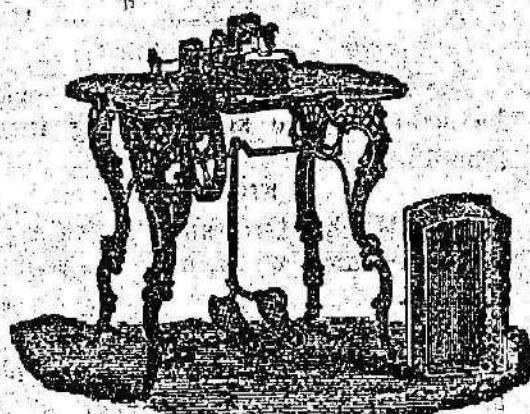
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