

On Telegrams.

At that time many telegrams that keep folks all in such a flurry. Whenever there's the least to-do, with constant worry, worry, worry!

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Items of Interest.

LATE elections in France are disorderly. GENERAL SHERMAN is at present in Rome.

The Pope proposes to issue a new Encyclical. Col. J. W. FOSBERY, collector of the port of Philadelphia has resigned.

There were 354 deaths, 185 marriages, and 413 births in New York City last week. The reported illegal sale of arms to France is creating quite a stir in Washington.

In Scotland, recently, a prize-fight between a woman and a man was broken up by the police. JAMES R. GARDNER JR., of New York, died suddenly at his residence, from inhalation of chloroform.

DISPATCHES from Toheran state that the famine in Persia continues with unabated fury, and many persons are dying daily. The Arkansas Gazette gives statistics showing that one-third of the voting population of that State were disfranchised in 1870.

Four States Convention held during February, Ohio, labor reforms, on the 14th; Indiana and Missouri, republican, on the 22d; and Ohio, temperance, on the 22d.

The Roman Catholic clergy of London have announced that their flock that they will not attend the funeral of any person whose body a wake has been previously held.

A PETITION was presented in the House of Representatives of Maine from the citizens of Oxford County, praying that the rum-sellers be made responsible for the results of their traffic.

The sloop Crystal Palace sailed from Staten Island for Egg Harbor city with a cargo of clams and oysters to be transhipped. Nothing was heard of her until she was seen keel upward, between Elizabethport and Perth Amboy.

Fashion Notes. A new style of glove for ladies is made of opium skin; it is very soft and durable, and can be worn in full dress.

A basket of flowers is considered by gentlemen to be a very pretty and appropriate valentine to send a young lady friend.

Basque of a different color and material from the skirt and overskirt, are fashionable for indoor toilets.

For rough-and-ready wear, black English water proof cloth, trimmed with Herculite braid, makes the most serviceable costume.

Gold jewelry, which is never used in deep mourning, may be permitted when the mourning is light enough to admit of white, but it may certainly be worn in a dress of light mourning.

Indoor dresses are made up much plainer than formerly. Overskirts are frequently omitted, and the toilet is completely complete with a plain demi-train skirt and a stylish blouse.

Blue can be worn with a variety of colors, and gray and brown as well. The hair is worn less puffy and frizzy than formerly, although the short curls over the forehead, so generally becoming have not as yet been abandoned.

Letter Writing.

"Brevity," says Shakespeare, "is the soul of wit." But alas! how little that terse expression is appreciated—unheeded by the world in general, and women in particular.

Half the sermons miss their mark by being too long. Lawyers, now and then lose a case by becoming too long-winded, and parents and guardians not infrequently over reach their good intentions by haranguing their charges beyond their endurance.

But that in which brevity shines out most charmingly is in letter writing. Men, however lengthily they be of speech, rarely write long letters, and particularly on matters of business. But women always do.

If the letter is to her own dear, darling Charlie or Harry, of course there is nothing to be said. But if only a letter to a friend, it is possible that one good sized sheet of note paper will contain all the gossip, news, and affection of three months' collecting.

Nothing on business should always be as much to the point as possible and in the fewest words that can be made to express their object.

If a lady wishes to borrow a certain book from a friend, in all probability she will cover half a sheet of paper in complacencies before mentioning the real object of her note.

The object is to obtain the desired book, and the fact that she has mentioned the state of the weather, and recounted the precise state of a cold and the baby's teeth, will in no way help her.

Dear Julia— Will you do me the favor to lend me a volume of good— and obliging— You affectionate friend, — And save her own time and that of the person addressed. Young ladies, particularly when fresh from boarding school, rejoice in composing and writing long letters.

Young ladies may rest assured that there is no habit more conducive to tediousness than that of stringing-out a letter.

It is, also, well to remember that in writing a letter, brevity carries a charm. The wittiest things on record have been expressed in very few words.

Hard Times. The Mitchell County Press, hits the nail on the head in the following, which we clip for its columns:

The farmer who owns his land, is free from debt, and has tolerable improvement on his land, is a hard time, however the term "hard times" improve, farming is the best and surest vocation for the mass of the people; as a general rule, it does not lead to any imprisonment, and it certainly insures competence and even abundance. To the jaded, unfortunate, unsuccessful business man, there is no prospect that looks so enticing as that of a hard time.

Why then do we hear the complaint from so large a mass of the farmers that "times are so hard?" The answer is, they are. The hard times that the farmer complains of are not the hard times that the merchant complains of.

SEVERELY PUNISHED.—In Quarter Sessions at Philadelphia a decision was rendered refusing the rule for trial, and overruling the motion in favor of the defendant in the case of Joseph W. Marcer, the defaulting City Treasurer, and Chas. T. Yorkes, Jr., broker; Marcer being sentenced to a fine of \$300.00, with imprisonment to the basement of the city, by separate or close confinement at labor for four years and nine months; Yorkes to pay \$500, with the like imprisonment of two years and nine months.

Pain and its Paradox. While pain is a condition of humanity, every effort to annihilate its intensity, or remove the predisposing cause, merits our warmest gratitude, our careful consideration, and our most judicious management. There is a peculiarity about the sensation called pain which is of infinite importance to the human race. It is a declaration of war against the well being of the body, and cannot be removed while the cause exists.

ABOUT "CRABS."—Geo. Pittman, Fulton Co., Pa., has discovered that spring water generally dries up in summer, may be made to run all the time by turning in some crabs. We suppose he means cray-fish, or fresh-water crabs. He says the animals follow up the stream and beneath the ground and make an outlet for the water. Thus even crabs or cray-fish have their uses.

UNITED STATES CONGRESS.

The amendment to Mr. Sumner's Civil Rights bill, pending the amendment, excluding churches was adopted. The Amnesty bill was taken up. Mr. Sumner's amendment being the Supplementary Civil Rights bill was adopted.

Mr. Sumner offered an amendment providing that before any person could take the benefit of the bill, he must swear that he was not a member of any such organization. Adopted, Yeas, 34; Nays, 12.

Mr. Sumner offered a preamble setting forth the alleged manufacture and sale of arms and ammunition in the workshops of the United States government for the French, to be used against Germany, in 1870; and a resolution for the appointment of a select committee of seven to investigate the same.

Mr. Sumner introduced a resolution instructing the Committee on Foreign Relations to consider the expediency of passing a joint resolution authorizing the President to suspend the laws of Spain against the Chinese laborers and to admit the Chinese laborers to the United States.

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A HUGE ENGINE.

The largest stationary engine in the world was put in operation at the Lehigh Zinc Works, at Princeton, Lehigh Co., Pa. It is of three thousand horse power, its weight 650 tons, and it is capable of pumping 2,000 gallons of water per minute, and this from a depth of 300 feet.

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The purest and sweetest Cod Liver Oil

in the world is HAZARD & CASWELL'S made on the sea-shore, from fresh selected livers, by CASWELL, HAZARD & CO., New York. It is absolutely pure and palatable. Patients who have once taken it prefer it to all others. Physicians have decided it superior to any of the other oils in market.—Com.

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WALKER'S CALIFORNIA VINEGAR BITTERS

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