

**THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT OF BROOKLYN** pays its public vaccinators \$75 each a month. It has recently appointed two women to this position, the reason being that girls object to being vaccinated on the arm.

The New Zealanders claim that the reason they do not feel the hard times like the rest of the world is because they have woman suffrage, the land tax and are too far removed from the old world to get the overflow of its paupers.

LORD DENRAVEN'S yacht, the Valmyrie, which was beaten last fall in the race for the America's cup, and which has been in these waters ever since, has been ordered home. Her owner has despaired of success in America, and on her arrival will fit out the yacht to compete in the mid-summer races for vessels of her class in English waters.

SIR HENRY HASCOMBE, of the West Riding of Yorkshire, England, has a peculiar affection which the doctors are unable to explain or cure. Once every month a brown spot appears on the back of his left hand, and from this a stream of blood exudes for twelve hours. The strange affliction has so weakened and worried him that his life is despaired of.

A. R. SUTTON, a Chicago engineer, is working on a plan to connect the great lakes with the Atlantic as a private enterprise. He proposes to deepen the Welland Canal and connect it with Lake Ontario by a cut to the Niagara near Thorold, Ontario; then deepen the St. Lawrence, cut a canal south to Lake Champlain, and from its southern point, Whitehall, dig a canal to the Hudson River at Troy or Albany.

More than fifty army officers are now stationed at various State agricultural colleges, instructing students in military tactics. It often happens at the fresh water colleges that the military instructor is the only army officer ever seen in the village. The detail is not disagreeable, however, as it gives an officer a marked change from garrison life. Living is cheap, too, in the smaller college towns and the military instructor is a person of social consideration.

POSTMASTER GENERAL BISSELL has issued an order providing that hereafter only short names or names of one word only shall be accepted as names for newly established post offices. Exceptions may be made by the department when the name is historical or has become local by long usage. Satisfactory reasons must be presented to the department for changes of post office names. The Postmaster General says that this rule will remove a source of annoyance to the department and of injury to the postal service.

It was on board the United States war steamer Ranger, stationed in the port of Amapala, Honduras, that was signed the agreement which closed the recent civil war in that country, a war in which Nicaragua actively participated. In the commandant's room of the Ranger met Bellisario Villala on one side, with Dr. Francisco Vaca and General Manuel Bonilla on the other side. General Villala, who held the city of Amapala, recently defeated and in flight, surrendered the city on honorable conditions, which saved besides the lives of the Honduran soldiers.

CLEVELAND is already putting forth her best efforts to make the Christian Endeavor Convention, to be held there in July, the most successful religious gathering ever held. Everything is being done on a large and liberal scale. Delegates are to be given a fine two-color map of the city, showing convention meeting places and all points of interest. Cleveland is pre-eminently a city of homes. The hotels would not begin to accommodate the hosts that will attend, but the hospitable residents will throw open their doors. The latest statistics regarding this wonderful movement show that there are now more than 80,000 local societies, with a total membership of 1,836,600. The growth in foreign lands has been equally remarkable, England now having over 1,200 societies and Australia about the same number.

Among the women of New York city who are securing signatures to the petition to strike out the word "male" as a qualification for voters are Mrs. Charles Russell Lowell, Mrs. Joseph H. Choate, Dr. Mary Putnam Jacob, Mrs. J. Warren Goddard, Mrs. Robert Abbe, Mrs. Henry M. Sanders and Miss Addie M. Fiedle. In speaking of these women the Sun says: "So far as we know, none of them has taken part in the woman's rights agitation of the last forty years, and hitherto they have not been among those who were active in demanding the suffrage for women. The radical women's rights agitators, Mrs. Stanton and Miss Anthony were not had them among their followers and have not enlisted their sympathies. They have represented conservatism, and have been the chief support of the old world women who have..."

**BUDGET.**

**JOKE AND TALK BY FUNNY MEN OF THE PRESS.**

**A Sound Doctrine--The Streets--The Topmost Top--In Blissful Ignorance, Etc., Etc.**

A SOUND DOCTRINE.

"Waiter," said Uncle Allen Sparks blandly, "in the union of hams and eggs there should be some disparity in the matter of age. You may take this back."—[Chicago Tribune.]

THE STREETS.

Our streets are never so they just Exactly please a body. For when it's dry they're full of dust, And when it rains they're muddy. —[Chicago Journal.]

THE TOPMOST TOP.

Billings—What do you consider your highest flight of fancy? Poet—[The attic stairs in my castle in the air.]—[Philadelphia Record.]

IN BLISSFUL IGNORANCE.

Wiggerly—My wife is giving our servant cooking lessons. Muggins—How is she getting on? Wiggerly—I don't know. I take my meals out.

TO THE BEST OF HIS RECOLLECTION.

Critical Barber (feeling new customer's bristles)—Where did you get shaved last, sir? Customer—On my face.—[Chicago Tribune.]

SUDDENLY ILLUMINED.

"What are you wearing dark glasses for?" said one clerk to another. "You never had trouble with your eyes before, did you?" "Never. But the janitor came around and washed the window by my desk. The sudden glare was too much for me."—[Washington Star.]

THE CONNECTING LINK.

Mrs. Van Veneering—Do you know the Richleys well? Mrs. Jere Mandefing—Like a book. We employ the same dressmaker. —[Life.]

APPLICABLE TO BOTH.

Mrs. Brown (nudging Mr. Brown, who snores with his mouth open)—William! you'd make less noise if you'd keep your mouth shut! Mr. Brown (only half awake)—So I you. —[Life.]

HE KNEW HER.

Mrs. Fidget—Now, Tommy, I want you to be as quiet as a mouse. I'm busy. Tommy (scornfully)—Huh! If I was a mouse, you'd jump up on a chair and yell!—[Truth.]

CLASSIFIED.

Tourist (in Oklahoma)—What is the population of this town? Alkali Ike (promptly)—Eight hundred and sixty-seven souls and thirty-one real estate agents.—[Puck.]

FREAKISH FREAKS.

Museum Manager—I've got too many of you freaks. I'll have to discharge one of you. India-Rubber Man—Let it be the Human Salamander; he's used to the fire. Manager—No! I think I'll bounce you.—[Philadelphia Record.]

HEARTLESS.

"Sleeping, I dreamed a dream." He said, "you cannot guess. Things are not always what they seem; I dreamed that you said 'yes.'" "Did you indeed?" she said, "And gazed with thoughtful air At him, while he turned white and red, 'Tell me—what man was there?'" —[New York World.]

THE CLIMAX.

Jack Frontrow—That's a good old-fashioned play. The villain is caught in the act. Billy Footlights—What act? Jack Frontrow—In the last act.—[Brooklyn Life.]

THE NEW OFFICE BOY.

Employer—Boy, take this letter, and wait for an answer. New Boy—Yes, sir. Employer—Well, what are you waiting on? New Boy—The answer, sir.—[Harper's Bazar.]

GOOD GROUNDS.

"There's grounds for a strike," said the agitator. "Where?" asked a workman. "In the clock factory. A young fellow just told me that some of the hands there work twenty-four hours a day."

NO DOUBLE-FACED TESTIMONY IN CHICAGO.

The Victim—Your Honor, you haven't heard my side of the case yet. The Police Magistrate (severely)—No, an' I don't want to. This Court isn't going to encourage the introduction of contradictions in the evidence. Ten dollars. And the next time...

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