

QUEER CURRANT BUSHES.

The Butcher Told the Woman to Plant Them Upside Down, and She Did So.

Over the river, in President street, Brooklyn, there lives a woman who possesses some of the most remarkable currant bushes to be found anywhere.

Near where the woman lives is a butcher shop. The butcher is a jolly fellow who not only sells good meats, but also in the spring deals in plants and shrubs.

"Be sure to plant them upside down." "Why, of course," she answered, and then congratulating herself that she had got a piece of valuable information just in time to save herself from making a great mistake she carefully planted the bushes roots upward.

"How are your plants getting on?" asked the butcher one day in the summer.

"Oh, splendidly," the woman answered. "Come and see them."

The woman had never raised currant bushes before, and therefore nothing about these had seemed strange to her, but the moment the butcher saw them he remarked the peculiar way in which the branches drooped and their strange forms.

"I planted them just as you told me to," said the woman, "and all but four of them lived."

That explained the curious appearance of the plants. The roots had become transformed in their functions and produced leaves instead of rootlets, but they had continued to grow in their natural gnarled shape and with a drop. The butcher has tried to buy the curious bushes and also to intro some like them, but neither the woman nor nature favors him this time, and he has not succeeded in either direction.

Jules Verne.

Jules Verne, the veteran story teller, has been married 55 years. He and his charming old wife are among the most prosperous and highly considered citizens of Amiens.

Horse Attacks Women Bicycle Riders.

A most unusual incident occurred on the Dumbarton road, near Glasgow, three lady cyclists being suddenly confronted and attacked by a riderless horse.

Str Fastnet

SEASON OF 1897.

Sails from Ch'town every Friday at noon for Halifax, calling at Summerside, Port Hood, Port Hastings, Port Hawkesbury, Arichat, Canso, Isaac Harbor, Salmon River, Sheet Harbor.

Through Freight Solicited. Rates low to Halifax. Apply to W. W. CLARKE, Agent.

JINGLES AND JESTS.

Her First Patient.

My wife went to college to be an M. D., and when she'd become one she came back to me.

She "diagnosed" me, and I guess I'm a gonorrhea.

She said that she "feared I had endocarditis, with traces of neuro-dichroitic cystitis. There were osseous abnormal sphenoidal dimensions. With echymosed hypo-nephritic retentions."

She said I had "anchylosed neurosed gastritis, hepatic stagnation, acute meningitis, Meningeal hemorrhage, clearly pre-natal, Locomotor ataxia, lingering, but fatal."

She said I "inclined toward brain aberration when cardiac murmurs disturbed circulation."

But I said: "Nit, old girl. This is quantum sufficit."

Taken In.

"Do you think that will do?" inquired the farmer boy as he displayed a sign which he had just written and prepared to tack it up.

"Jehosophat, no!" exclaimed the old man as he read the placard. "If you stick up that notice sayin' 'Summer Boarders Taken In,' it'll scare 'em away. It's the gospel truth, all right enough, but we can't afford to flush the game afore we get a shot at 'em."

Dead Broke.

Break, break, break On thy white shelled beach, O sea! But you'll never be half as broke (no joke, As the hotel bill made me.

Oh, well for the bathing suit boy That he shouts when the waves are at play!

Oh, well for the sailor lad, For he never has hotels to pay!

And the stately ships go down To the haven under the hill, But, oh, for a check on a river bank That could settle a hotel bill!

Mr. Asbury Peppers.

"Lemme see," said the studious boarder. "It was Una, wasn't it, who trimmed the claws of the lion? I wonder how she got him to consent?"

"My recollection is," said Asbury Peppers, "that she said she wanted to show him something new in toe clips."

Baby's Freckles.

Beddettin' baby's ruby cheeks Are funny little speckles, But which, of course, are nothing more Than horrid little freckles.

And one day little Willieboy Said, "Will you tell me, dear pop, If effer one of dose down flings Is jest a rusted teardrop?"

An Excellent Case.

"Well, Smithers' wife has broken him of smoking at last."

"Is that so? Did she prohibit it altogether?"

"Oh, no; she just took to buying his cigars for him."

The Graduate.

He bends beneath his learning great, But with determination He tackles problems of the state And yearns to save the nation.

His brimming full of learning's store, Her wears his honors meekly, For just about three months he'll soar, Then work for eight pinks weekly.

Machine Made.

"Marriage," said the puffy man, "made me what I am today. Marriage is the mighty engine of civilization."

"Then," remarked McCorker, "you are not self, but machine made, I suppose."

Her Bad Spell.

There once was a girl named Camille A header she took from her whille; She couldn't concille The pain she did fillle, So she uttered a terrible squille.

The Trouble.

Editor—Mr. Cose, your jokes have lost all their humor here of late. What's the trouble?

Joe Cose—I guess I'm not well. I've felt rather funny for a week past.

In the Stilly Night.

Oft in the stilly night, when slumber's chain hath bound us, A thousand yelpings smite the air from the doggoned curs around us.

In Chicago.

Mrs. Prude-Prunes—I'd like to start some popular reform movement that would make me beloved by mankind.

Mr. Browne-Stone—Begin a crusade for cheaper alimony.

Accommodating.

"Don't blow out the gas," the placard read, So Reuben, to be polite, Just left it alone, jumped into bed, And burned the gas all night.

A Definition.

Teacher—If the founder of a family is called an ancestor, what is one of the present generation called?

Tommy—A de—er—degenerate, sir—Exchange.

The Manager's Hit.

He wrote a curtain raiser, And he did it quickly, too, For the players all were striking— 'Twas a check for salaries due.

The Reason Thereof.

Teacher—Why did Demosthenes put pebbles into his mouth?

Tommy—'Cause he left his terbaccer plug at home, ma'am.

Pure, rich blood feeds the nerves. That is why Hood's Sarsaparilla, the great blood purifier, cures nervousness.

HOME COMFORT RANGES.

Mr. Brashear Reports Large Sales—Something About the Range Itself.

Mr. Brashear, the energetic representative in this Province of the Wrought Iron Range Company, Toronto, was seen at his place of business, Grafton Street, near Queen Square, yesterday afternoon by a representative of THE EXAMINER.

Mr. Brashear informed the reporter that since he opened up the agency in this Province last May he has sold a great number of ranges, and that they have invariably given the fullest satisfaction.

The Company manufacturing the Home Comfort Range have sold upwards of 300,000 of them in Canada, the United States, Mexico, and other countries.

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A VICTIM OF HOLMES.

The Remains of Minnie Williams Thought to Have Been Found

Interest in the story of H. H. Holmes, the multi-murderer, hanged at Philadelphia, is revived by a sensational discovery near Mokence, Kankakee county, Ill.

There have been found a skull and bones, undoubtedly the remains of Minnie Williams, the typewriter, one of the numerous victims of Holmes. The remains of a log cabin in the thickly wooded district on the banks of the Kankakee was the scene of the discovery.

In his confession Holmes distinctly stated that he brought Minnie Williams to Mokence. The two stopped over night at the principal hotel in the place. The following day he took Miss Williams in a tuggy some distance from this city.

In a lonely cabin where the cries of his victim could reach no human ear, the heartless man of crime murdered the girl. Then he burned the cabin and with it the body.

The relatives of Minnie Williams were informed and a decent burial accorded the victim's remains.

Proved It.

He loved her—that none could dispute— With love that naught could dim, Because he wore a biking suit She made herself for him.

Had to Put Him Out.

Gerald—I never let people draw me out. Geraldine—How do they get you out?—Truth.

Recollections.

"You may break, you may shatter, The vase if you will," But the bill for the roses Will bother you still.

"OUR LADY OF THE SNOWS" TEA AT ALBERTON.

This grandest of the season's teas will be held at Alberton, the thriving metropolis of the West, on Thursday, August 5th.

The feast of "Our Lady of the Snows."

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Advertisement for Toscana Cigarettes, featuring an illustration of a man in a hat and the text 'It's No "Earthly" Use' and 'TOSCANANA'.

Advertisement for English Manures, 'HIGH GRADE English Manures' by Auld Bros., listing various fertilizers like Superphosphates and Muriate of Potash.

Advertisement for Villa Maria Covent, Montreal, mentioning a feast on Thursday, August 5th.

Advertisement for Miller Bros. Pianos, 'The P. E. Island Music House'.

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Advertisement for Salute the Colors, 'We make it comfortable for our patrons by selling them cheerful shoes'.

Advertisement for Paris Green, 'Paris Green, Paris Green, Paris Green' by R. B. Norton & Co.

Mortgage Sale Land On Lot 65.

Mortgage Sale details, 'To be sold by public auction, at the Court House, in Charlottetown, on Friday, the 17th day of September, next, at the hour of 12 o'clock noon, under and by virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain Indenture of Mortgage bearing date the twenty third day of December, A. D., 1879, made between Henry Taylor, and Mary Jane Taylor, his wife, of the one part, and Philip Large of the other part.'

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