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It is an extraordinary fact that when people come to what are commonly called high words, they generally use low language.

The other day an excited person accosted a street gamut with the question, "Say, bub, which is the quickest way for me to get to the railway depot?" "Run!" was the response.

"Yes, Job suffered some," said an Illinois deacon, "but he never knew what it was to have his team run away and kill his wife right in the midst of the busy season, when hired girls want three dollars a week."

Some time-honored proverbial sayings need revision to suit the age. For instance, "Boys will be boys" is entirely wrong; for everybody knows that they endeavor to appear like men as much and as soon as possible.

The newspapers state that a well known banker has absconded, leaving a very large deficit behind. Mrs. Partington thinks it was very good of the poor man to leave it, when he might have got off clear with everything.

A butcher sold a sailor a ham on credit, but finding after a few days that he had gone to sea, he growled, "If I'd 'a known that he wasn't going to pay for it, I'd 'a charged him threepence a pound more for it, the rascal!"

A facetious fellow having unwillingly offended a conceited puppy, the latter told him he was "no gentleman;" "are you a gentleman?" asked the droll one; "Yes sir," snapped the fop. "Then I'm glad I'm not," replied the other.

In a Scotch town, lately, a man from the country applied to a respectable lawyer for advice. After detailing the circumstances of the case, he was asked if he had stated the facts exactly as they occurred. "Oh ay, Sir," rejoined the applicant, "I thoct it the best to tell ye the plain truth; ye can pit the lies tillt yerself."



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## "FLING AWAY AMBITION."

This famous charge, often quoted, is more generally followed than might at first thought appear. In certain senses, and under some conditions it is very good advice; in others it is among the very worst bits of counsel that a man could give or take. If a man is disposed to court popular favor, or to flatter and besiege the powers that be for political preferment, the sooner he flings away that ambition, the better for him. Or if his desire for distinction takes the direction of display in any of the forms which ostentatious wealth presents, that ambition may best be flung away before it becomes a snare, or a prelude to poverty. Ambition for fashionable distinction, which primarily means toilet adornments, is only a strife to emulate fashion plates, and excel the lay figures which exhibit the latest styles in tailoring and millinery. Perhaps the most ridiculous aspect which a human being can present, is that of a man or woman conscious of dress; and pluming on borrowed feathers.

A common ambition is for a reputation for skillful play in athletic sports, or proficiency in any other pursuit which belongs not to the actual business of rational creatures, but to their mere amusement. Whatever is worth doing at all, is worth doing well; and in amusement there can be no enjoyment without a reasonable and good natured degree of interest. But to be a "champion" in such things is hardly worth a man's while. Work, while you work, and play while you play, but never let work and play change their proper relative grades of importance. And this brings us back to the statement with which these cursory remarks open: that ambition is often thrown away, by the young, the thoughtless, and the unreflecting. The true ambition of every man and woman, young and old, ought to be to acquire a safe and honorable position. To introduce a hackneyed quotation, hackneyed because of its evident soundness.

"Honor and shame from no condition rise.

Act well your part, there all the honor lies."

Every day is a preparative for tomorrow. And if we are not to take anxious thought for the morrow, there is no injunction against taking thought for to-day. If we do our best to-day, to-morrow will take thought for itself—and that thought will influence the next morrow, and the next "young man," said one who knew how to give good advice—"you cannot afford to take up nothing but light reading." The same caution applies to all mere amusement. And sordid as the phrase "you cannot afford," may seem to the young, rich in animal spirits and in "happy thoughts,"—sordid advice has heavy weight, in a world where everybody must care for self.

Those are "flinging away" what they cannot afford to waste, who neglect the opportunities of the present, and thus discount the future, till it catches them like the last day of grace on a note, to meet which no provision has been made. Everybody does this to a greater or less degree, who seeks present pleasure, or idleness, careless of the future, and indifferent to the true ambition

which nobody should relinquish; and least of all, the young. These reflections may seem a little in advance of the natural sentiments of a young affair like the Riverton Journal. But the Journal, its readers and its editors, are growing older every day. With every day's experience, *trite* though these oracular statements may appear, we learn that *trite* means *true*, as well as commonplace; and that the commonplace is so, because it is true. The well-worn must have some substance in it or it would not be well-worn. It would have gone to shreds long ago. So the editors of the Journal will not fling away their ambition to advance the standard of their publication. If in the paper they "talk like a book," they claim the right which the poet Willis once asserted, to a dual existence. He would be both a poet and a man; poet on occasion, and man when he pleased. The editors are editors once a month, at or near the 15th. For the rest of the time they are—well—young fellows, and their editorial wisdom is not to be thrown in their faces, if on every day they walk not about like the poet at work, under his afflatus, with eyes "in a fine phrenzy rolling."

## CURSE OF SMOKE.

Innumerable are the complaints that are made of obnoxious tobacco smoke. Some of them are published in the newspapers; others, so vigorous in language as to be unfit for publication, find their way into editorial waste baskets, but most are made verbally, and many are by men who themselves enjoy an occasional cigar or pipe. It is not the use of the weed that is objected to, but the general lack of taste and sense as to the proper times and places for indulgence. There are many virtues that would be annoying to beholders, if practiced in public. What can be said, therefore, in defence of a petty but general vice that thrusts itself under the noses of everybody? Every place out of doors where half a dozen people chance to meet is almost sure to be redolent of tobacco and the dozen of other things that are hidden inside of cigars, and never noticed by smokers themselves. A lady can hardly stand on an elevated station platform without getting an occasional whiff of burning weeds, paper, grass, bark, tow, hemp, licorice, saltpetre, arsenic or opium, and the mixture is not always improved by the human breath that exhales it. Lighted cigars are smuggled into cars or omnibuses; even if the smoker is mannerly enough to throw away his weed before entering a public conveyance he takes more or less of the aroma with him. Tobacco smoke makes one of the two cabins of every ferry boat smell worse than Barren Island or one of the Street Cleaning Bureau's most successfully neglected thoroughfares. Even drawing-rooms do not escape the curse; men whose dress is accepted as proof of good manners often carry into the parlors of their lady acquaintances sickening suggestions of after-dinner cigars or cigarettes, while half the men who go out of theatre or opera house between the acts come back again to breathe vile orders towards

people who never did them any harm. There is much to be said in favor of an occasional cigar, but the habit of smoking should be kept within decent bounds. Apples are offered for sale as freely as cigars, and their flavor generally is pleasing, but if one man of every three or four were to munch apples whenever or wherever he happened to find a few moments of leisure, and were to make all places redolent of apples, the public would denounce the custom as an intolerable nuisance. When a smoker finds that the tobacco habit impels him to burn his favorite incense under his nose whenever he is not strictly prohibited from doing so, it is time for him to sacrifice his habit to save his manners.

—New York Herald.

## THE VIOLENT TEMPER OF THE NEW CZAR.

[St. Petersburg Letter in New York Sun.]

The liberals are growing more and more powerful and uncompromising. The revolutionists are as bold and daring as ever. The peasantry are still oppressed, and their groans grow louder. The danger of a horrible popular uprising is not yet over. Where is the Czar to find support and succor? By his education he is not fit for the high office he occupies. Being the second son of the Czar, his training was neglected. Though stubborn, he has not a firm character, a strong will. He is easily excited, and when irritated he cannot control himself. While he was yet Czarévitch an officer was sent to him by the minister of war to consult with him about a system of guns. Talking on the subject, the Czarévitch showed a lack of the special knowledge demanded, and the officer, defending his own view, said: "Your Imperial Highness makes a mistake."

"You are a fool," thundered the Czarévitch.

The officer jumped up, showing signs of his struggles with his rage.

"There," screamed the Czarévitch, administering a severe blow. Then he turned on his heel and disappeared. The officer could not sue the Czarévitch in the courts, nor could he call him out to fight a duel. So he drew his pistol and blew his own brains out on the spot. The late Czar took particular pains to hush up this story, but without success.

## A GOOD TRAP TO FALL INTO.

An enthusiastic aeronaut in Holland sent his last \$2,000 to Norwich, Conn., to purchase a quarter interest in "an improved flying-machine" he saw advertised, and then discovered by the next steamer that he was part proprietor of a fly trap. This was two years ago, and the oddest part of the matter is that since then the indignant investor has made a small fortune out of his interest.—San Francisco Post.

"You say there haint no 'w' in French," says Tumbleton; "then how in thunder does them chaps spell 'water,' I should like ter know?" The question was referred to the full house, with power to send for persons and papers.



## RIVERTON JOURNAL.

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D. E. MATTIS, P. M.

A good opportunity presents itself to call the attention of those who have charge of our highways, to the horrible condition of the Main street, and of the great importance of having the evil remedied. In the first place any one with common sense cannot fail to see the utter folly and want of judgment displayed in constructing our main thoroughfare. For the last few years, every time that repairing the road has been necessary, instead of cutting it down in the centre and making, an even roadway, from curb to curb with of course a slight inclination each way from the centre, they have kept piling and piling the gravel up on the middle and now it forms a perfect hill from one end of town to the other, with a valley on each side, and as the street is not properly graded the water lies in these holes at the side until such time as it evaporates.

In times of heavy rain falls the water has been known in many instances to overflow and cover the sidewalk. The fault that we notice more particularly is in the grading of the street, even were the roadway to be cut down, and the street itself left with its present grade, the water would still lie in puddles at the sides, but not so much as it does now. The taxes here are enormous considering the few benefits that we receive in return; now if those gentlemen who have influence in our township, would report to the Township Committee the really shameful state of our road, and advocate re-grading it from the Station to the Delaware river, with an inclination towards the latter, and at the same time explain the great injustice being done to the citizens of Riverton, by allowing our beautiful street to be disfigured, we are sure that some good would come of the matter, and if this appeal were made without effect, to raise money by subscription would be the least that could be done. If some of the directors or overseers of highways would make us a visit just now and see for themselves, we are certain that their action in the matter would be speedy for the remedy of the evil.

The Pennsylvania R. R. have several trains running on this division, which do not stop at Riverton, viz.: the 9 A. M. and 3.50 P. M. trains from Philadelphia, and the train passing Riverton about 9.50 A. M. During the summer local travel is increased, and the addition of these trains to our schedule, or what would be just as well, local trains, together with lower fares, would do much to increase local travel.

We have received a copy of the Camden Freeholder. It is edited and published by Mr. Wm. H. Jeffries, and has for a motto "Truth crushed to the earth, will rise again."

## PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD LOCAL TIME TABLE.

Trains leave Riverton for Philadelphia, at 6.01, 6.49, 7.31, 8.15, 8.55, 11.15, A. M. 2.11, 3.41, 5.09, 6.07, 6.54, 10.14 and 11.50 P. M.

Trains leave Riverton for Burlington at 8.53 and 10.47 P. M., for Bordentown at 4.57, 8.53 and 11.58 P. M. For Trenton connecting with Express trains for New York at 6.43, 7.58, 11 A. M., 12.33, 2.25, 3.53, 5.59, 7.06 P. M.

For New York via Monmouth Junction at 7.58 A. M., 3.29 P. M.  
Sunday Trains leave Riverton for Philadelphia at 8.53 A. M., 12.50 and 5.18 P. M. Leave Riverton for Burlington at 10 A. M. and 2 P. M. For Trenton connecting for New York at 6.31 P. M.

## LOCALS.

A new house is being built on Thomas Avenue.

The roads are heavy in consequence of the late rains.

Query: Has the doctor found the Bank yet?

Mr. Samuel Rank has opened an ice cream saloon in connection with his bread and cake bakery.

A windmill of considerable dimension is in course of erection on the premises of Mr. W. F. Dreer.

The third Sociable of the young ladies and gentlemen of Riverton was held on Friday evening, 3d inst.

Dr. Bickley has rented his house to Mr. Green, the former having gone to Atlantic City for the summer season.

Among the arrivals this month are Messrs. Biddle, Davis, Flanagan, Cook, Ellison, Frishmuth, Wilson and Lafourcade.

Mr. Alfred Earnshaw has had the side-walk in front of his new house on Lippincott avenue, paved with stone brought from New York.

On last Saturday a party of gentlemen left for a week's excursion down the bay. The yacht Nettle, in which they sailed is well adapted to such a trip.

The extensive improvements to the Lawn House are in a fair way to completion, and in all probability the house will be ready for occupancy early in July.

Mr. Samuel C. Cook will finish his improvements of the side-walks on Howard and Second streets, as soon as he can procure the earth necessary for levelling them.

About \$78 was realized from the concert in the school-house last Saturday evening week. The proceeds are to be expended in purchasing books for Christ Church Sunday School library.

A stated meeting of the Cinna-minson Building and Loan Association was held at the school-house on Monday evening last.

The farmers in this vicinity are looking forward to a profitable season. The crops throughout the country are in a flourishing condition.

Not long since the yacht "Olive" while endeavouring to round the pier struck her bow-sprit against the same, doing some damage, which, however, has since been repaired.

The annual meeting of the Riverton Yacht Club was held on Tuesday evening June 13th. The old officers were re-elected. Edward H. Ogden, Commodore; Wm. F. Dreer, Vice Commodore; F. Perot Ogden, Secretary and Treasurer; Robert Wells, Measurer. Several new boats have been added to the club. The first regatta will take place on July 4th.

## THE LADIES' OUT-DOOR CLUB.

The Ladies' Out-Door Club wish to announce to its members that on Field days the sports will begin promptly at 5 o'clock P. M.

Two prizes have been offered for the best scores in archery this summer; one, a cabinet, for the ladies, and the other, a fine Tennis racket, for the gentlemen. The season was opened about the middle of May, and will continue during the summer and fall months, but the prizes are to be presented in the latter part of July.

This Club was organized last summer by the ladies of Riverton, and the business meetings, with the exception of one at the beginning of each season, are attended and conducted by them alone. The gentlemen members are proposed and elected at these meetings, and they have all the privileges of the Club, excepting that of a vote.

The field where the sports are pursued is on Howard st., near Fourth. A fine Tennis Court is there laid off, and also a good range for archery practice. The members meet every Tuesday and indulge in tennis and archery, and among them there are many skillful shots with the bow and arrow.

The attendance on field days has not been large this season, so far, as last summer, from the fact that many members have not yet returned.

## RIVERTON BALL CLUB.

On Saturday last this club played a game with the Young America nine, on the grounds of the latter club at Stenton, in which they were defeated by a score of 15 to 12. Some fine playing was made on both sides, the Riverton Club scoring eight runs in the ninth inning. Each side made eight base hits.

The following games are announced to be played at Riverton:  
June 18th, Keystone B. B. Club of Bristol.  
June 25th, Graefly B. B. Club.  
July 3d, Atlantic " "  
July 9th, Foote " "

The club has a membership of upwards of ninety, and new members are constantly being added. Tennis is much in vogue, and is played nearly every afternoon.

It is rather unpleasant to hear a public speaker remark, "My friends, I wish to say a few words on this occasion," etc.; but then we must remember that to us is human.

## A TYPICAL NEW MEXICAN. ONE WHO MIGHT HAVE STEPPED OUT OF A BOOK BY BRET HARTE.

[Santa Fe Cor. of the Globe-Democrat.]  
Western towns are most often deficient in the striking characteristics one expects, but in the matter of a typical frontiersman Santa Fe possesses a citizen who might have sat for the pictures of Bret Harte's and Joaquin's Miller's dashing heroes. He came strolling into the post office the other morning, both hands in his pockets and his elbows sweeping a clear space through the gathered idlers. As a town celebrity every one knows him, and the least question will bring out more and more piquant bits of history. With unusual interest I looked at the small man and slowly took in the details of his costume. Top boots, trousers, a blue flannel shirt and a loose coat were ordinary enough, but his head was surmounted with a gray sombrero that in width of brim has never been equaled save by the pretty chorus singers of "Pinafore" and the "Pirates." The hat sat back on his head until the brim covered his shoulders, and the cord and ornaments of the crown, being of solid gold wire and spangles, brings the value of this extravagant head-gear up to \$150. Neither George and Aimee, Virot or the other concoctors of French bonnets ever sent out a spring bonnet that equaled this sombrero in price. He wore a careless knotted necktie and row of big gold nuggets for shirt-studs, and below them swung a watch chain composed of gold coins ranging from the largest slugs and \$20 pieces down to an insignificant \$2.50 coin. The watch at the end of the chain is heavy enough to use for a weapon, with its massive cases of gold. This walking gold mine carries off all his magnificence with the most indifferent and half-contemptuous air. On occasion he is said to be capable of even more gorgeousness; and when this show figure of Santa Fe is mounted on a little black horse, rattling with all the silver and blazing with all the wrought colors of Mexican trappings, it is enough to dazzle one. With huge silver spurs, an embroidered buckskin suit, a belt full of silver-mounted weapons, and fringed and embroidered blanket strapped to the saddle, he slatters through these narrow streets quite as the wild western heroes do in novels. By profession he is a gentleman and amuses himself, as the less literally "gilded youth" of Paris and London do, by chasing the flying hours and dull care over green tables.

A man employed to tear down a barn in Meadville, Pa., is said to have found a box hidden in the foundation containing \$1900 in coin and bills.

## The Splendid Steamboat Columbia.

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## FINANCIAL.

The Government Bond market continues firm, though the extended bonds have sold off somewhat from the prices of a week or so ago. This is owing, in great part, to large offerings from abroad.

Bonds are quoted as follows:  
U. S. 4 1/2% . . . . . 115 @ 115 1/2  
U. S. 5% . . . . . 117 1/2 @ 118  
U. S. extended 5% . . . . . 103 1/2 @ 104  
U. S. extended 5 1/2% . . . . . 102 1/2 @ 103 1/2  
Money has been loaning freely at 3 @ 4 per cent. up till yesterday, when it suddenly stiffened to 5 @ 6 per cent. This demand was caused in a measure by the large payments to the Penna. R. R. Company, on account of the allotments.

The ten million 4 per cent. loan of the Penna. R. R., lately issued to Drexel & Co. was all taken at from 98 per cent. to par before the announcement was ready to be published.

At present, when all good securities are selling at such a price as to yield but 4 per cent. interest, it would be well for investors to direct their attention to bonds that have but two or three years to run, such as Cam. and Am. 8 1/2%, Steub. and Ind. 1st mortgage 6% of 1884, etc., so that should a reaction take place in that time, as is most probable, they will be in a position to profit by it.

United Cos. of N. J. reached 200 yesterday. This is the highest point it has ever touched, and at this figure it is equivalent to a 5 per cent. security.

From the 11th of June the Philadelphia Stock Exchange closes at 1 P. M. on Saturdays, and opens at 10.30 A. M. on Mondays, till September 24th.

## THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER.

From a series of daily observations extending from the early part of February to the latter part of October, 1879, taken at St. Charles, Mo., under the direction of officers of the United States Engineer Corps, it has been ascertained that the average quantity of earthy matter carried in suspension past that point by the Missouri River, between one foot of the bottom and surface, amounts to 14,858 lbs. per second, or 1,283,731,200 lbs. each twenty-four hours. The matter thus carried along weighs, approximately, 100 lbs. per cubic foot when dry, giving an average of 12,837,312 cubic feet of earth transported each twenty-four hours during the entire year, enough to cover one square mile with a depth of nearly six inches.

During the months of June and July the average quantity per twenty-four hours amounted to 47,396,448 cubic feet, enough to cover a square mile with a depth of one foot and eight inches. The maximum quantity observed for any twenty-four hours was on July 3d, when it reached the enormous amount of 111,067,200 cubic feet, sufficient to cover a square mile to the depth of four feet. These figures do not take into account the material that is held in suspension within the lowest foot of the depth, or that which is being rolled along the bottom. If these quantities could be ascertained within any reasonable limit of approximation to correctness, there is no doubt that they would show an amount far in excess of that which has already been determined.

Proud young father—"Oh—er—I wish to register the birth of a daughter." Registrar—"No, no; you must go back, my boy, and tell your father to come himself." —Funny Folks.

## STEEL SHIPS.

[To the Editor of the Journal.]

The use of steel in shipbuilding has thus far been confined to the great naval and commercial powers of Europe. Our American discussions in regard to maritime architecture have been singularly limited to the possibility of our being able to compete with England in iron shipbuilding. But while this has been going on here and our people have supposed that the use of steel in shipbuilding was confined to armor-clad vessels for war purposes, the British shipbuilders have been rapidly and successfully making great headway in the construction and use of steel steamships for commercial purposes. Several vessels of this class are now plying in the Atlantic packet service, and a new one lately arrived at Philadelphia from Belfast. The subject is one of pressing interest and ought to meet with the earliest attention and earnest discussion of those American merchants and capitalists who are concerned in the great future of the American ocean carrying trade. Fortunately while this has been going on the industrial interests of the Republic have been making extraordinary headway in the manufacture of steel by the Bessemer process, so that the Republic in the year 1880 produced a larger number of tons of Bessemer steel than were manufactured in Great Britain, or as it should properly be called, the United Kingdom. Under these circumstances we entertain no doubt whatever that as soon as the capitalists and shipbuilders of the United States shall turn their attention actively to the building of steel ships they will find no difficulty in competing successfully with foreign ship-yards.

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