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We must confess the result of the nominating convention at Culpeper is not in accordance with what we had desired but we have no grounds to complain. The fight was a fair square one and the name of Lee again enters the field.

We have not received one less from our former position. We believe that, as a matter of justice, Prince William was entitled to the place, and the Rev. E. E. Murdoch the man to represent us. The speech of Mr. Murdoch before the convention, pleading his efforts to the swelling multitude, was a perfect eloquent and inspiring.

Two young men, Dr. J. C. Milburn and Dr. J. C. Creighton, were satisfactory examiners for the Presbytery as Com. Minister. Samuel L. Irvin under the care of the Presbytery submitted a paper exhorting the Synod to adopt a plan of education and temperance.

The action of the Presbytery was as follows:

Mr. Irvin and Gen. Lee Before the Convention—Gen. Lee Nominated on the First Ballot—Speeches by Gen. Lee, Murdoch and Name Good Feeling.

Culpeper, Va., September 21.—The Constitutional Democratic Convention of the Eighth district met here to day at 12 o'clock. One hundred and six delegates from the various presbyteries of the district were present. A motion was made to nominate a chairman. The majority rule was adopted, and Dr. Fauquier, nominated General Lee.

S. Irvin, of Alexandria, nominated Dr. J. C. Milburn.

The result of the first ballot was: Lee, 12,465; Irvin, 3,290.

The platform endorsed the administration of the government.

On the second ballot, Dr. Milburn was elected by a unanimous vote.

Dr. Milburn's speech was delivered with great interest.

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### East Indian Egg Dance.

A traveler gives a pretty description of the graceful egg dance which was performed for his amusement in the Court of Shopal, India. It shows that our sword-dancers and our young ladies of the ball are not quite up to the standard of the Shopal girl. He tells that a slender girl, arrayed in an emblazoned bodice and sheer skirts like those worn by the peasant women in this part of India, comes forward very fascinatingly to him with wreathed smiles and dainty steps and also in steps that were very sweetly modeled. She seemed to me as if she wanted me to buy her basket of eggs along with herself, and that the eggs were real eggs. She did not dance on them, however. She wore on her head a large wheel of wickerwork, and around this, at equal distances, were placed threads with slip-knots at the ends, in each knot a glass bead to keep it from closing. The music begins. It is a quick, jerking movement, rather monotonous, and the dancer spins round in time with the measure, which grows faster and faster. As she turns she seizes an egg from the basket, which is held on her left arm and rapidly inserts it in one of the knots. Her circular-motion causes the threads to stretch out like the spokes of a wheel. She keeps on doing this till every knot has its egg and her head is surrounded by a sort of aureole. When she has succeeded in placing all the eggs she spins around on her feet that her features can hardly be seen. A false step and Humpty Dumpty would have had a fall indeed. She has now the most dainty and most difficult part of her dance to execute, for the dance is not done till every egg is taken from its thread and laid safely back in the empty basket. One by one the Indian girl accomplishes this, never crushing a shell or displacing a single egg. When all are restored she stops her dizzy whirling with grace and offers her basket to the lookers-on who often break the eggs to prove that no juggler's trick has been used to change them.

### Musical Cure for Neuralgia.

The following story is told as coming from Senator Gorman himself, and giving his experience in securing a cure for neuralgia: For many years he has been a sufferer from regular attacks of neuralgia. On some occasions he has been confined to his home a day or two, so intense was the pain. An old lady friend once called upon him while he was suffering from one of his attacks. She displayed so much sympathy that she almost forgot to name the request she had to make—but she did not. Upon learning that the Senator was troubled with neuralgia she volunteered to give him an infallible remedy; provided he would promise not to laugh at her or accuse her of being a believer in conjurations, spells, etc. The Senator, in a good-natured way informed her that he was under treatment from an eminent physician, who sometimes afforded him temporary relief. The old lady finally prevailed upon the Senator to give her remedy a fair trial, whereupon she suggested that he should get an ordinary nutmeg, such as is used in cooking, drill a hole through it, attach it to pieces of string, or ribbon and wear it around his neck continually. The Senator, while suffering one day, determined to give the nothing remedy a trial. He followed the old lady's directions, and in a few hours felt greatly relieved. He has consulted several physicians on the subject, and they state that the nutmeg possesses certain virtues which may have effect on neuralgic pains.

### Women as Legislators.

Women on an average have little sense of justice, and hardly any sense whatever of awarding to others a freedom for which they do not care themselves. The course of all modern legislation is its tendency to make by-laws, fretting and vexatious laws trampling unjustifiably on the personal liberty of the individual. If women were admitted to political power these laws would be multiplied indefinitely and incessantly. Such meddling legislation as the Sunday closing act in England, and the Maine liquor laws in the United States would be the joy and

Women cannot understand that you can make no nation virtuous by act of parliament; they would construct their acts of parliament on purpose to make people virtuous whether they choose or not, and would not see that this would be a form of tyranny as bad as any other. \* \* The average man is not an intellectual nor a noble being; neither is the average woman. But there are certain solid qualities in the male creature which are lacking from the female; such qualities as toleration and calmness in judgment, which are of infinite value, and in which the female character is almost invariably deficient; a lack in her which makes the prophecy of Dumas that she will one day ill judicial and forensic districts a most alarming prospect, as concerning as the prediction of Goldwin Smith that the negro population will eventually outnumber and extinguish the Aryan race in the United States.

Not since the reign of Henry VIII. has there been a confirmation held in Jersey Island until the other day when the Bishop of Exeter confirmed four candidates. One of them who bore the suggestive name of "Violet Heaven" is a native of the proprietor of the island.

### Scolopendra.

Roofing tiles are being manufactured of wood pulp, and by the use of different colored sands a variety of tints are imparted to the tiles, rendering them capable of producing pleasing effects in ornamentation.

To fix a metallic to a soft substance, such as tin to cloth, requires a tough substance; not a varnish nor yet a glue, but india-rubber cement, as used by bicycle makers for fixing tires. Warm the metal, and rub over with the cement; and while yet hot apply the cloth, and press down with a hot dog iron.

The wealth of Alabama's coal mines is to be estimated from the statement that the available coal of Alabama, collected in one lump, would be forty-five miles long by twenty-five miles wide and ten feet thick. A breaking off of 600 tons daily from the lump would leave a large part of it untouched at the expiration of 6000 years.

It is a mooted question whether the sunlight falling upon an ordinary wood fire retarded the process of combustion. This is a popular notion, and one writer says it looks as if the fire burns more feebly when the sun shines full upon it. It is now alleged by scientific men that there may be some influence produced by the action of the sun.

A brick, being about as porous as a lump of sugar and having six sides, needs careful filling for water-tight work in seepage, etc., and a thin grout or porridge of cement is commonly used. Fitting the brick and soaking beforehand in thick coal tar has been recommended. A man may lay common wall all his life without learning how to make brick water tight.

It may seem strange to the non-professional that, in spite of persistent and skillful efforts to solve the problem, chemists are obliged to admit ignorance of the exact composition of so common a substance as the white of an egg; yet, until they acquire an accurate knowledge of the constitution of albuminous substances, the process of animal economy cannot be explained.

As is generally known, composite telegraph wires consist of copper deposited upon iron and steel. A wire, however, is now being brought out in England in which the relation of the two metals is reversed, the steel surrounding the copper. The wire is said to be drawn from compound metal consisting of a hollow ingot of steel filled with copper.

At Krupp's a railroad truck has just been built with sixteen axles. It was made for the special purpose of transporting by rail a canon which is fifty feet long, and weighs nearly 130 tons, from Essen to Spiez, in Italy, by way of the St. Gotthard Tunnel. The truck is seventy-six feet long and the axles are divided into groups of four, which easily adapt themselves to the curves in the road.

Herr Eltner says the following method for testing the efficiency of belts is successful: A small strip is cut off and placed in a jar filled with common vinegar. If the belt was well tanned and good quality, it may remain in the vinegar many months without being injuriously affected, it growing only a little darker in color. If, on the contrary, the belt was of an inferior make, its fibers begin soon to swell, and after a short time are transformed into a gelatinous mass.

Bronze cannot be tempered in the manner in which steel is tempered. Hence the only method to make a brass spring is to compress the metal either by rolls or hard hammering. If the springs are to be flat, hammer them out to shape from soft wire or sheet brass somewhat thicker than the finished spring is to be. If the brass shows a tendency to crack in hammering, it must be annealed; which must be done by heating to a light red and plunging into water. In hammering use a light hammer, but do not spare the blows.

The latest victory in the long-drawn match between the gun and the armor-plated has been scored in favor of the armor. At Spiez, a German general has been manufacturing glow lamps, whose glasses are filled with hydrogen. It had been remarked before that glow lamps in which the inner glass wall had been rendered brown could be cleaned by filling them with hydrogen and then exposing both the carbon filament and glass to a high temperature. These lamps are said never to become brown at all, and to last longer. They can be used with higher electromotive forces, and consequently under conditions considerably more favorable to economy, without diminishing their wear. It is thought that many evils which are found in the various glow lamps now in use will disappear when the carbon filament is in an atmosphere of gas exerting considerable pressure, but not acting chemically upon it.

The great thing in labor is not so much what one is doing as how he is doing it, and why. One may gain, in the end, in self-culture, as much by brick-making as by book-making.

### Wood Rosin.

D. A. Bradford, of Chattanooga, Tenn., writes, that he was seriously ill, cold that settled in many mornings with induced a fever for Consumption, entirely cured by Since which time family for all. The thousands whose have been moved Trial Bottles free Drug Store.

### Religion.

Mr. J. C. Wren, rector of Trinity Episcopal church, 1st, 3rd and 5th Sundays, Rev. T. A. Hall, in his sermon at 11 o'clock a.m. on the 2nd, 4th and 6th Sundays, Rev. J. J. King, minister of the M. E. Church.

At Manassas, 1st p.m.; at Sulphur Springs, 2nd, 4th and 6th Sundays, Rev. J. N. St. Hixson, at 10 a.m. and 12 o'clock p.m.

Preaching at the Manassas, every Sunday morning by Rev. First Church of Prince William county, every 1st and 4th Sunday, every 1st and 4th Sunday.

Rev. F. M. Town, at the First Presbyterian church in Sunday morning, every 1st and 4th Sunday, Rev. W. H. Tamm, at 11 o'clock a.m. every second and fourth Sunday.

Mass on the 2nd month at 11 o'clock.

Roman Catholic, Rev. P. DONOHOE.

Rev. J. N. STRICKLER.

(South) will preach

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