HOME, SWEET HOME.

'Tis noon!—On leaving home, around I glance.
All there is luxury and elegance,
The dog and cat upon the hearth-rug lie,
My sweet wife kisses me and says good by,
While the servants bring my hat and coat and cane.
With so much comfort, how could man complain?

'Tis noon!—As to my home I then draw near,
I hear the sound of blows. The atmosphere
Is but a stifling, blinding cloud of dust;
That 'tis from carpets beaten, I mistrust.

And, horror stricken, to the house I fly.
A scene of desolation greets the eye.
The carpets up, the curtains down, ...
Furniture all upset and piled about;
While, back and forth, with heads in towels bound,
With skirts looped up a foot above the ground,
And arms all bared, fly creatures—can it be
My lovely wife and servants maid I see
Tearing about in those outrageous duds,
And stirring up this awful smell of suds,
While in their eyes there gleams a dangerous light?
Great heavens, 'tis they! Oh, what a dreadful sight!

The dog, once scolded, from them keeps aloof;
The cat has sought for safety on the roof.
And in the dining room, where I had thought
To find a handsome dinner, they have got
A fiend of Afric blood, who joys to swing
A whitewash brush and spatter every thing.

But I am not forgot. My feast is spread
Out in the woodshed on a barrel head—
One slice of bread, a plate of warmed-up beans,
Some water in a mug, a dish of greens,
... banquet rich! And best of all, you see,
I've brought a fellow home to dine with me.
—Boston Post.

A LESSON ON DRESS.

My young friend, Cora Lee, was a gay, dashing girl, fond of dress, and looking always as if, to use a common expression, just out of the bandbox. Cora was a belle, of course, and had many admirers. Among the number of these was a young man named Edward Douglass, who was the very "pink" of neatness in all ...

"Looks are nothing—ease and comfort everything," said Douglass.

"But common decency, Edward."

"I see nothing indecent in a long beard," replied the husband.

Still Cora argued, but in vain. Her husband went off to his business with his unshaved face.

"I don't know whether to shave or not," said Douglass, next morning, running over his rough face, upon which was a beard of forty-eight hours' growth.

His wife had hastily thrown on a wrapper, and with slipshod feet and head like a mop, was lounging in a rocking-chair awaiting the breakfast bell.

"For mercy's sake, Edward, don't go any longer with that shockingly dirty face," spoke up Cora. "If you knew how dreadfully you looked!"

"Looks are nothing," replied Edward, stroking his beard.

"Why, what has come over you all at once?"

"Nothing; only it's such a trouble to shave every day."

"But you didn't shave yesterday."

"I know; I'm just as well off to-day as if I had. So much saved, at any rate."

But Cora urged the matter, and her husband finally yielded, and mowed down the luxuriant growth of beard.

"How much better you do look!" said the young wife. "Now don't go another day without shaving."

"But why should I take so much trouble about my mere looks? I'm just as good with a long beard as with a short one. It's a great deal of trouble to shave every day. You can love me just as well; and why need I care what others say or think?"

On the following morning Douglass appeared, not only with a long beard, but with a shirt front and collar that were both soiled and crumpled.

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BLACKMAILER WILLIAMSON.

The Career of a Distinguished St. Louis Beau in Europe.

N. Y. Times.

Dr. Dix's mysterious persecutor was arrested in Baltimore yesterday afternoon, and is now on his way to this city in custody. He has made a full confession.

His name is Eugene Fairfax Williamson. He is a native of Baltimore, single, about forty years of age, and claims, with probable truth, to have served as a colonel in the Confederate Army, and to be related by birth to the Fairfaxes of Virginia. The manner in which he was traced and finally run down reflects great credit on the local postoffice authorities and those whom they called in to assist them.

One afternoon late in the fall of 1872, the diligence stopped in front of the Hotel Metropole, in Geneva, Switzerland and its solitary passenger, stepping out, walked briskly in and registered in an easy, flowing hand, "Col. Fairfax Williamson, Richmond, Va." He was dressed in the height of fashion, carried a gold-headed malacca switch cane, and wore his handsome seal-skin cap jauntily on the side of his head. His mustache had the Napoleonic twist, and his side-whiskers bore evidence of careful cultivation and attention.

The "Colonel" was given a parlor and a bed-room, and he immediately installed himself in his quarters for the season. To be an American in Geneva was to become acquainted with every member of the American colony, which that winter was an unusually large one. Col. Williamson bore letters of introduction containing the signatures of a number of ecclesiastical dignitaries in this country, among them that of the late ...

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that the object in the lions mouth was the spongy, round bone, as big as a cricket-ball, which forms the hip-joint of the horse. The lion had had part of a horse for dinner, and in amusing himself with the bone first got his upper large canine tooth into the soft part of the bone, and, biting on it, the corresponding canine tooth in the lower jaw came through so far into the bone that it almost met with the point of the upper tooth; the jaw thus became fixed. The animal was prevented from taking food or water. Mr. Bartlett, with a great deal of tact and manœuvering, managed to get this bone out of the lion's mouth, and lucky he did so, as it was found that the long projecting part of the bone was pressing hard upon the lion's tongue. This is the third clever operation in dentistry that Mr. Bartlett has performed, first removing a big tooth from the hippopotamus, second, operating on the base of the tusk of the big elephant; third, taking a horse's leg bone out of the lion's mouth.—*Land and Water.*

A Congressional Resolve.

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NEWS IN A NUT SHELL.

EVENTS OF THE PAST WEEK FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD.

The Cream of the Two Hemispheres Carefully Condensed and Classified—An Interesting Budget of Personal and Miscellaneous Information.

Washington.

THE Senate Committee on Railroads decided by a vote of 7 against 4, to recommend the passage of the bill to extend six years' time for the completion of the Northern Pacific Railroad.

THE United States steamer Tennessee, has been instructed to cruise on the east coast of Mexico, in anticipation of any troubles which may arise out of the election shortly to take place in that country.

THE Committee on Commerce are growing anxious about the river and harbor bill, in which the aggregate appropriations now reach upwards of ... instead of less than $6,000,000, which was the limit originally fixed by the committee.

POSTAL revenues for the coming year will undoubtedly be much greater than estimates. The amount of postage stamps, stamped envelopes and postal cards issued to postmasters ...

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vote. The bill went to a third reading and passed—yeas 28, nays 18—a party vote.

APRIL 23.—Mr. Vest presented a memorial of the St. Louis Chamber of Commerce asking an appropriation for the construction of reservoirs at the headwaters of the Mississippi River. . . The post route bill was taken up and passed. . . The morning hour having expired, the Senate resumed consideration of the Kellogg-Spofford election case. Mr. Bailey argued in favor of the majority report. . . The bill granting a pension to Herman Netterfield, a scout, passed. . . On motion of Mr. Maxey, the bill to authorize a list of non-commissioned officers of thirty years' service was taken up. Mr. Maxey spoke in favor of it. . . On motion of Mr. Cockrell, the House joint resolution authorizing the secretary of War to lend tents to the Governor of Missouri for the use of sufferers by the recent tornado in that State was passed. . . Adjourned till Monday.

HOUSE.

APRIL 17.—The Indian Appropriation bill passed.

APRIL 19.—Upon a call of States a great number of bills were introduced. . . Under suspension of the rules the following bills passed: Senate bill for an international exhibition in New York in 1883; for the erection of a public building in Pittsburg. ...

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and shattered so as to require amputation. The elder members of the family were nowhere to be found. In another case a woman was lost and no trace could be found of her at all. These are only two of a great many instances similar in character, and to write a description of the horrible suffering of all would be an utter impossibility. The violence of the storm was such that trees three feet through were for a space several hundred yards wide lifted entirely out of ground, limbs twisted off and split into kindling wood, and the bark of trees peeled off as if struck by lightning; telegraph poles were twisted off at the ground as if they had been nothing; wires were carried hundreds of rods into the timber, and tied and knotted among the limbs as if they were made of cotton yarn. No idea can be formed of the looks of the country except by active observation. Everything is being done by the people of neighboring towns to relieve the distressed people.

Fifty nurses and physicians have gone from Lebanon, taking with them provisions, clothing and medicines. It is truly a terrible and most heartrending calamity, one which will not soon be forgotten and which will leave its mark on these two counties for years.

Other Dispatches.

Later dispatches to the St. Louis papers ...

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wounded at 200. Aid is pouring in from all directions.

A large tract of country between Cassville and Marshfield was rendered a waste. The starting point has not been traced, but every hour some new disaster is learned. The cyclone seems to have divided at the forks of the James and Findlay Rivers.

Other Disasters of the Storm.

El Paso, Ark., in ruins; 26 killed and wounded. Much damage at Peoria, Ill. Oakbower, Ark., destroyed; damage, $100,000, and 5 killed. Terrible gale on Lake Michigan, some shipping lost. Hail and heavy winds at St. Joseph, Mo. At Ottawa, Kan., water froze and a terrible gale is reported. Much damage is reported in North St. Louis. The State University at Lawrence, Kan., was badly damaged. Many disasters reported in Cole County, Mo. Fulton, Mo., badly damaged. High winds at Greenville and Decatur, Ill. Natchez, Miss., damaged $15,000 worth. Richmond, Ind., reports considerable damage.

LATER.—The cyclone cut a swath 60 feet wide in Taney Co., Mo., with loss of life and great destruction of property. Barnettsville, Mo., completely destroyed; 10 killed and many wounded. Texas Co., Mo., damaged $300,000 worth and 300 persons homeless. A sailing craft goes down at Mackinaw, Mich.; 9 lives lost. The region of country near the ...

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LINCOLN'S ASSASSINATION.

Drawing a Pistol to Shoot Booth on the Morning of the Tragedy.

New York Sun.

A number of members of the Assembly were in Assemblyman Wren's parlor a few evenings ago, and the conversation turned upon the law respecting the carrying of concealed weapons. Assemblymen Lindsay and Shanley and others expressed various opinions about the law, but Mr. Wren said nothing. He sat quietly smoking a brierwood pipe and listening to all that his colleagues had to say. At last Mr. Lindsay asked him what he thought of the law, and whether it had done very much to prevent the carrying of concealed weapons in New York.

"Well, I've had my lesson," said Mr. Wren, "and it was one that taught me the danger of carrying weapons. I had my hand on my pistol to shoot John Wilkes Booth once, and I wish I had, for I drew on him on the morning of the very day that he assassinated Lincoln."

There was no further talk about con...

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peerages date from the thirteenth century, five from the fourteenth, thirteen from the fifteenth, twenty from the sixteenth, and fifty-nine from the seventeenth. The members of the House of Commons receive £107,362 13s. 11d. per annum from the public Treasury. The fighting interests are represented by 261 members, the peerage interests by 193 members, the law interests by 118 members, the railway interests by 135 members, and the commercial and manufacturing interests by 134 interests.

WAYS OF THE WORLD.

CAUTIONARY signals—Third finger rings.

AN Iowan has invented a new and improved gallows.

THERE is a town in Kansas named Monkey Wrench.

IN Eureka, Nev., they steal chickens with baited fishhooks and lines.

SIX hundred and seven new novels were published in England last year.

A SAN FRANCISCO admirer has the stump of one of Grant's cigars ...

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HOUSEHOLD RECEIPTS.

SNOW CUSTARD.—Beat eight eggs, leaving out the whites of four; add to them one quart of milk and five ounces of sugar; have a shallow pan of hot water in the oven; set the dish into it, and bake till the custard is thick; then set away to cool; beat the remaining whites very light; add half a pound of sugar and a teaspoonful of lemon juice; when the custard is cold lay the whites over the top in heaps, but do not let them touch.

TO KEEP CHEESE MOIST.—Many housekeepers complain that their cheese becomes dry, and some use a kind of bell glass to put their cheese in. A very simple expedient will keep cheese in the best condition. Take a linen or cheese cloth, dip it in white wine, squeeze out excess of wine, and wrap up the cheese in it. By doing this the cheese is not only kept moist, but its flavor is improved.

BURNS.—Wet saleratus and spread on a cloth, bind this around the burnt part, and in a few hours it will be nearly well ...

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