







Agricultural.

New Wood Preservatives.

Immersing the lower ends of fence posts in hot coal tar will preserve the outside for years, but it very frequently happens that in using small trees from four to eight inches in diameter the heart wood is the first to decay.

Miscellaneous.

A Southern Street-Car.

From an illustrated paper on the New Orleans Exposition, by Eugene V. Smalley, in June Century, we quote the following: "In the street-cars there is less reserve than in such vehicles in Northern cities."

Independence Day.

There is a wide spread belief among Americans that the Declaration of Independence was signed on the "Fourth of July."

Value of Slaughterhouse Refuse.

A correspondent has a hundred acre farm near a town of six thousand inhabitants. By the enforcement of the health law, the butchers are obliged to slaughter outside of the limits.

Humorous.

A NUMBER of Pennsylvania speculators, having a taste for high art, have been done in oil.

PASSENGER (in a hurry)—"Is this train punctual?" Porter—"Yes, sir, generally a quarter of an hour late to a minute."

AN English epitaph says:—"Erected to the memory of John Phillips, accidentally shot, as a mark of affection by his brothers."

"I HAVE neither time nor inclination to pass patergories on the deceased," remarked Mrs. Fishwhacker, at a recent funeral.

"Yes, my son, it is a solemn, eternal fact, that 'Truth once crushed to earth, will rise again.'"

AN exchange says some go to church to weep, while others go to sleep. Some go their wives to please, their conscience others go to ease.

Wife—"I notice a statement to the effect that in this city every year \$22,000,000 are spent for liquor, but only 27,000,000 for religion."

Looking Through a Telescope.

Large crowds were observed last week gathered around a Telescope man at the corner of Eighth and Market Streets.

Jim Webster was brought up before an Austin justice of the peace. It was the same old charge that used to bother him in Galveston.

"But I do not comprehend, Webster, how it was possible for you to steal those chickens when they were roosting right under the owner's window, and there were two vicious dogs in the yard."

"Expect they had some fine pups up at the Chicago dog show," remarked a passenger from Ohio.

"No, I mean just what I say—coaly. Money wouldn't buy that dog. He's a cur, but we couldn't keep house without him."

Old John Brown was opposed to swearing and gave this reason:—"If there is no God it is exceedingly foolish and if there is it is desperately wicked."

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