

Humors of the Week.

A Model M. D.—I had just finished my supper, and was enjoying my cigar on the deck, when I heard a man declaiming, in a loud voice, to two or three attentive listeners (but evidently intended for "whosoever might concern" at the same time) on Pathology. Being as it was, thus invited, I also became a listener to something like the following: "There it is now! Well, some people talk about seated fevers. I don't know anything about seated fevers; there ain't no sich thing as a seated fever. A fecker bite is a seated fever; cure the bite, and the fever quits you quick enough. Jest so with a biliousness. There ain't no sich thing, I tell ye, as a seated fever. Fact is, and you can't rap it out, your regular doctor practices according to books; now I practice accordin' to common sense. Take a case now: There was Dr. Bugg, of our village, the very patron of the Materior Medicker. Well, he treats fevers according to the books. 'What's the consequence?' I get all the patients! He met me one day, and says he to me, says he, 'How is it that you git all the fever cases?' I told him exactly how it was; and it is so."

"Well, doctor," interrupted one of the listeners, "how do you treat fevers?" "Well there it is, you see! You ask me how I treat fevers. If you'd ha' asked me when I first commenced practicing, I could ha' told you—can't tell you now. I treat cases zactly as I find 'em—according, as said afore, to common sense. And there it is! Now there was Mrs. Scuttle; she was taken sick. All the folks said, she had the consumption; hadn't the consumption mo'n' you've got it (singling out a burly listener, who weighed some two hundred and fifty or three hundred); had two doctors at her at once; didn't do her a single mossel o' good. 'Wal, they sent for me; and as I went into the house I see a lot of tanny and a flock of chickens by the door. 'Felt her pulse. Says I—'I ain't never forget till her dying day, come—says I, 'You ain't no more got the consumption than I've got it, not a bit.' And there 'twas, you see! In two weeks I cured her."

"Well, but Doctor, how did you cure her?" "There it is again! I told you I see a lot of tanny and a flock of chickens growing at the door. I gin her some of the tanny and a fresh laid egg—brought her right up! It's kill or cure with me. Fact is, gentlemen," continued the doctor, "I call myself an officier. My saddle-bags is my soldiers, my disease my infanry; I rush at him, and ther he or me has got to conquer. I never give in."—*Drawn Harper's Magazine for July.*

A MAN OF NERVE.—A Washington letter-writer remark remark of Mr. Greeley that the control has of his countenance is nearer what is related of Talleyrand than any man we vot of—it being said of the latter that if any man were to kick him behind, a man in front could not tell from the expression of his face that anything unusual was occurring." This reminds a correspondent of an incident that occurred in Omaha: A gentleman who had received an insulting misaise determined to resent it promptly. Next day thinking he saw his man ahead, he hastily overtook him, and administered severest verbal salutations. The kicker remaining passive, the kicker went around in front to see the effect, and discovered to his regret that he had kicked the wrong man. He apologized, and was answered:

"Don't mention it. From the frequency of such little episodes in my experience I was sensible of your demonstration, but was not aware you had made any mistake."

At which little M —, of the Omaha Herald, admiringly remarked, "Oh, hasn't he got the nerve?"—*Drawn Harper's Magazine.*

GETTING MIGHTY SHORT.—Boarding the Lightning Express on the Little Miami Railroad last evening, we had comfortably doubled up preparatory to a tall African, as follows: "Look here, boss, I want to ask you a question. It's a good way from home, and wants to know if it's on the right track?" "Where do you want to go, Uncle," we asked.

"To Fort Gibson, way down in Arkansas, sah. Now, boss, I's ignorant, and wants to know if it's on the right kear for Cincinnati?" We assured our sable friend he was all right for Cincinnati, when he broke loose as follows:

"Look a heah, boss, I doesn't know nothin' when it's away from home—q'nah fact, sah. When I started out

from Washington City I had a powerful long string of deah heah"—exhibiting that portion of his through tickets which had not been taken up. "Eb'ry now and then a gentleman comes 'round and tars off a little piece. Tell you, sah, it's gotten mighty short. Fraid it ain't gwine to hold out until I gets through."

A SHARP RETORT.—A wag had kept up a continual fire of witticisms at a social party, when a Puritanical gentleman sharply observed, "If you keep on you will make every decent person leave the house." "That would be a sorry joke," was the dry reply; "you would certainly feel very lonesome when left here by yourself."

A negro preacher said to his congregation: "My brodere, when the first man Adam was made, he was made of wet clay, and set up agin the palin's to dry." "Do you say," said one of the congregation, "dat Adam was made of wet clay and set up agin do palin's to dry?" "Yes, sah, I do."

"Who made de palin's?" "Sit down, sah," said the preacher, sternly; "such questions as dat would upset any system of theology."

SELLING CRACKERS.—While in West Plattsburg we were told a circumstance somewhere in New York, too good to be lost. A quick witted toper went into a bar room and called for something to drink. "We don't sell liquor," said the landier—"we will give you a glass, and if you want to buy a cracker, we will sell it to you for three cents."

"Very well," said the Yankee customer, "hand down your decanter." The "good creature" was handed down, and our hero took a stiff horn; turning around to depart, the unspeaking landier handed him the dish of crackers with the remark, "you'll buy a cracker?" "Wal, no, I guess not; you sell 'em too dear. I can get lots of 'em five or six for a cent, anywhere else."

An easy method of breaking glass to any required figure is by making a small notch by means of a file on the edge of a piece of glass, then make the end of a tobacco-pipe, or of a rod of iron of the same size, red hot in the fire, apply the hot iron to the notch, and draw it slowly along the surface of the glass in any direction you please, a crack will follow the direction of the iron.

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The Farm. How to Save the Fruit On Now is the time to save the crop from the curculio.

First—The plums may be saved by jarring the tree once or twice a day. This causes the curculio to and if repeated often enough, it will not remain in the tree to do much harm. It would be advisable to sheet under the tree to catch the curculio as it falls, when it may be destroyed by burning. A diluted mixture of arsenic soap, or coal tar on cobs placed in the branches are a

Second—Curculio may also be prevented from doing much damage by whitewashing the trees. It is supposed that this frightens the insect away. Third—Ashes or plaster thrown the leaves while wet with rain will the curculio away to a certain extent or enough to leave part of the crop. Finally—Anything which dries the tree, or any substance having offensive smell placed near it, will away the curculio. A diluted mixture of creosote soap, or coal tar on cobs placed in the branches are a

fectual preventive. The curculio though so destructive, is very shy and very fastidious. It will avoid any where it suspects danger, or where there is an offensive odor. Some of us have forgotten who, said at Fruit Grower's meeting last winter he had kept them from a very large tree by drawing every apple load of horse manure and depositing it under the tree. This saved the tree from the curculio which the manure gave out. In the fall the manure was removed. Any one who has handled creosote soap knows it has an odor which is very pungent and offensive.

White-washing the tree or dusting the leaves undoubtedly acts as a protection by frightening away the insects. Cherries have, since the fall of 1868, been badly stung by the curculio, and are saved by the same means.

Adulterations. In addition to the common harm of adulterating milk by diluting it with water, a method has been discovered supplementary to the intended to conceal any adulteration, namely, by adding a solution of dextrine and also of starch. This is easily discovered by iodine water, which colors the blue when the smallest quantity of dextrine or boiled starch is present. The principal methods of adulterating tea here and in Europe are only intended to give it a better appearance. It is effected by means of powdered gum and Prussian blue. Lately more common, cheaper qualities, have been mixed with the dried refuse from the large tea-pots of hotels, restaurants, and boarding-houses, which secretly brought up by the public. The first method of detection is easily discovered by the ment, when the tea is prepared in usual way; the test by the appearance of the leaves and the weakness of decoction. The Chinese have outstripped us altogether in this. They now make a cheap article, out of sand, earth, and gum, which so treated as take on the appearance of dried and rolled leaves. The tea is communicated by means of the fine powder of tea. The black tea is imitated by coloring with lampblack the green, with Prussian blue and dried gypsum. The simplest method of detecting this fraud is to burn tea. Genuine, unadulterated tea leaves more than five per cent of the adulterated kind in question is from forty to fifty per cent.

Anatto, a substance now used for dyeing silk and cotton or yellow; and also for coloring butter and cheese, is sometimes greatly adulterated with red ochre, powdered bricks, or colcothar. Upon burning some of