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A community having no greater the same amount of cash deposits in small lot, should plant trees and said to be in a very bad financial con- have a few choice fruit trees and tariff bound American consumer." dition. The cash deposits in the vines, while the farmer could and Haskell banks as shown by their should have an abundance of good is one of the largest manufacturers last reports was something over fruits for his family. Good, ripe in the country.

We have heard quite a number o in this judicial district this year. For two or three reasons, we believe it advisible. While the judiciary should de divorced from politics, it is, under our system, treated as belonging to politics and, if the democrats get too many racers in the field something might Pop (ulist) ahead of them.

We have received the initial number of the Radiator, which has been & Rye. Mr. Rye (Edgar), formerly | Several of our exchanges have startof Albany, is inimitable in his way as ed their announcement columns. ling, with whom we are not acquaint- nonncements for tax assessor, one for patronage, they will furnish the Gra- ble. hamites a good paper.

newspaper business. If all the sup- dissatisfied with the country. port that is given to two or three papers in such towns as Graham was with a moderately comfortable living thrown to one good paper, such as is far better than sickness and docit already had in the Leader, it could tors' bills in some other country and would do more for the town than which makes the claim of being a two or three weaklings can do, no better farming country. What is the matter how willing they are.

MR. C. C. DRAKE of the Fort Worth and Denver reilroad returned a few days ago from a trip through several of the southern states. He said to a Gazette reporter that in bills. And after all, the making of Georgia he found hundreds of peo- bigger crops somewhere else is by no get larger profits? I do not; and ple bent on coming to Texas. It means a sure thing. This will be was a common thing to see signs readily conceded by anyone who is certain date the farm, implements, soil, its easy tillage and the large going to Texas. He said that be- ted by one man, ranging from 135 to about two a week until the winter

THE FREE PRESS has received a most unique and charming story entitled "The Strike at Shane's Farm." Unlike most stories it has a moral and a grand mission, which is to teach the true usefulness of animals to man, as well as the duty and interest of man to accord them kind treatment. We have also received the Autobiographical Sketches and Recollections of Geo. T. Angell, president of the American Humane Education Society also of the Mass. Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. Mr. Angell was and others back in Haskell county instrumental in founding these societies and has given many years of his life in earnest work in that direction. If our dum creatures could speak or offer up prayers for their benefactors, Mr. Angell would be blessed beyond most mortals. The office of the society is Boston, Mass. It publishes a number of works, which are sold at the bare cost of men's free library and reading room. production, which ought to find Do'it for God and humanity. their way into all our public schools an' Sunday Schools.

In its present hands the Benjamin IT is reliably stated that the Reporter is quite an improvement on Southern cotton mills have all made Ohio, made a ringing speech in the its old self. Mr. Bigger is a news- money during the past year, notwithstanding the hard times, while most of the northern and eastern sensation among both democrats and factories have complained of losing republicans; among the former for ern manufactories is due, among oth- their delay in carrying out their er reasons, to their being near to the raw material, milder climate and among the latter for its scathing atcheap water power. The South has tack on the protective system in gen-THE Benjamin Reporter noticing the best and an abundance of raw eral, and, especially as coming from the proposed candidacy of Senator material for manufacturing her wag- one of the largest protected manu-Dean for Congress from this district, ons, buggies, agricultural impledevotes a column to the advocacy of ments, furniture and hundreds of Judge Cockrell, and declares for him other things in constant use and, if she would do it times would be better with us and we would hear less Do you use morphine liquor or to- about scarce and dear money. As cans to get around. bacco? Do you want to quit? Ask things are we pay double transportayour druggist for a package of Hill's tion charges, jobbers' profits and all Double Chloride of Gold Tablets. the wages and profits of manufactur-

fruits, especially in warm climates,

kept orchard. without making a start.

CANDIDATES for county officers are established at Graham by Schilling ripening early in some sections. a newspaper man, and if Mr. Schil- The Palo Pinto Star has five aned, brings up his end of the hand- treasurer, one for district clerk, one spike, and if they get the necessary for county clerk and one for consta-

THERE will be found in the letter GRAHAM, which is a one paper from Mr. W. K. Perry, published in town, now has three newspapers. this issue of the FREE PRESS, some Both publishers and people make a serious food for reflection on the part serious mistake in so dividing up the of some of our people who are feeling

As Mr. Perry says, good health use of making more to the acre, if you have to be bloated with malaria and burnt with fevers?

You have to endure the suffering besides paying the extra profit (if any) out for medicine and doctors' posted at farms announcing that on a acquainted with the nature of our ect. would be sold, as the owner was number of acres that can be cultivatween the 15th and 30 of this month 200 acres in the various crops, thus several large excursions would ar- giving him a good aggregate crop, alrive in this state and thereafter though the yield per acre may be cut short by drouth but on the other hand, if it is a good average crop year his crop is enormous compared with that of the man who, on account of grubs and stumps or a more refractory soil, cultivates only from 25 to 50 acres.

The past year was the hardest in the history of the country and a few farmers, seeming not to realize that hardships to the country and, left it, but only to get their eyes opened and of February, I do not believe there regret the move; as Mr. Perry seems to be doing. We expect to see him by another year.

THE following explains itself. We will send the paper: OFFICE BETHEL BIBLE MISSION,

Fort Worth, Jan. 16, '94. Can you not send us regularly

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Yours &c. L. N. COOPER, Supt.

HON. TOM JOHNSON, democrat, of house on the tariff question last Do Yo Want week. It is said to have created a money. This success of the South- its arraignment of the democrats for pledges to the people of reform, and facturers in the country, Mr. Johnson being largely interested in iron manufacturing.

Coming from such a source, his arguments will be hard for the republi-

Speaking of the Wilson bill, he commended it for a blow at the sugar trust. "But," he added, "the whisky trust and steel rail trust, cordage trust and bicycle trust, in Every one who owns and lives short, the whole brood of vampires population than this that can show on a plat of land, even though it be which rob the people through the agency of the government by means its local banks can't be said to be vines. The resident in town can of the tariff are left free to pluck the

He spoke of steel rails,of which he

"The present duty of \$13.45 is are conducive to the health and vig- equal to 50 per cent. The reduction or of the body, and no other plat of of the comittee is 25 per cent. It persons advocating the holding of a land on the farm, except the vegeta- seemed like a large reduction he denominating convention (democratic) ble garden, will pay so well as a well clared, but it left all the steel trusts needed. It is as good to them as January and until the middle of 1000 per cent, for it is practically a February is a suitable time to plant prohibitory duty. Steel can be trees in this latitude-later will do if made here as cheaply as any where conditions are favorable-and those else in the world and would not now who have not already planted, or ar- be imported, save in exceptional casranged to do so, should not lose the es, even if there was no duty, while opportunity and let another year slip the tendency of invention and improvement is in favor or the United States as against Europe. Steel made into rails in this country is from the native ore. What pig metal billets or blooms are imported are

> "Nsw, it costs less than \$2 a ton to make steel rails from blooms, in- Its Value in Procuring a Practical Ed cluding the straightening and punch ing. In to-day's market steel blooms sell less than \$17, steel rails should not bring over \$19. They did fall nearly to that price a few weeks ago, during a temporary break in the steel rail pool. But the pool was quickly reorganized at \$24 a ton, so that by virtue of the duty which keeps out the foreign rails, the pool is compeling users of rails to pay ac per cent more than a fair price. This steel rail pool is composed of seven manufacturers, headed by Carnegie, who absolutely controls the products of more than half of the rolled steel produced in the United States, and who have combined to pay other large manufacturers heavy annual sums to close their works, discharge men and make no steel. Do employers pay large wages when they even philanthropists do not. Take Carnegie, who gives like a prince out of his millions the tariff has enabled him to take from his fellow citizens, but he does not raise wages until he has to. Before he started to Jerusalem he utilized the tariff to re-establish the steel rail pool and pay other manufacturers to shut up and throw men out of employment. Then the general cut in wages was made in all his great establishments, and then he announced himself ready to give as much as \$5000 a day to feed the 1employed in Pittsburg, a place that, it there were any thing in the theory that protection is for labor, ought to be the very paradise for workingmen. "Now which is the best for labor, times were hard in other places as plenty of charity soup houses or well as in Haskell, attributed their plenty of employment? If we could abolish the whole tariff on the first

is a single manufacturing industry that would close. On the contrary all that were not purely exotics, kept alive by taxes, would be greatly stimand the masses of the people would want and could pay for manufactur-

imposing taxes."

He said if he had his way he would wipe out the whole tariff law and dismiss from services every collector of customs in the United States.

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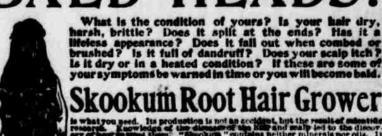
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THE announcement that James Whiteomb Riley is going to write a play doesn't startle us. Lots of literary men have written a play before now. The thing is to get a manager to produce it.

AT Napa, Cal, after a contest, the court has allowed an attorney a \$10,000 fee for services in settling an estate. In justice to a worthy lawyer let it be hoped that the estate

PROPLE catch cold in winter in an inverse proportion as the weather grows warm. Let all who are inclined toward invalidism look out for the warm days and the cold days will look out for them-

Two confidence men in Sioux City tried to swindle a farmer. The precise character of their game is not known, but as the farmer killed them both and calmly went his ag-ricultural way, unbiased observers of the situation do not believe that it

Two doctors are explaining why they refused to attend a man stricken in the streets with hemorrhage. If they had treated him, and the treatment been as bad as the explanations, be would probably have died instantly, whereas he did have the felicity of surviving for a few mo-

A PRISONER in San Francisco who is wanted in Mississippi promises to go without any contest. Attorneys are justly indignant. The prisoner has \$3,500 in coin, and with one accord the legal friends who have sprung up to advise him recognize the impregnable tenure of the ground upon which he might refuse to be removed.

THE news columns of the New York papers look like a criminal court calendar these days. The entire population seems to be embezzling, killing or getting divorced. But the clearing house certificates are all redeemed, thank heaven, and there is a shotgun quarantine against all persons likely to become a public charge.

THE prince of Wales is reported to be forming a secret society for the purpose of carrying on historical researches about old English families. The secrecy of the society is explained by the expected nature of much of the discoveries. The only practical public purpose such work can promote is to help hasten abolition of the house of lords.

The good people of Pittsburg have the Tareney motion prevailed by a grown positively desperate in their vote of 6 to 5. Mr. Bynum furnished government to provide for general purpose of caring for the poor of the surprise of the meeting by moving their city. They are willing to to reconsider the entire revenue bill. ber of colleges take chances in the ing some time ago. This motion also deadly game of football, the pro-ceeds to go into the relief fund. The risk taken is a big one, but the occasion probably justifies it.

EMPEROR WILLIAM is preparing to hold army maneuvers on ice, "the whole to reach a climax in a midwinter battle." One of Napoleon's most famous campaigns, which was o culminate in a midwinter battle. ended in the disastrous retreat from Moscow. Can it be that Germany's war lord dreams of attempting a campaign in the same direction?

BRAZILIANS are a simple, kindly hearted people. Peixoto refused to allow foreign newspaper correspondents to establish a Red Cross hospital service to relieve the sufferings of hundreds of sick insurgents because they would take arms against him upon recovery. Now De Mello has set sail to take 1,000 convicted felons into his service to fight against his fellows.

Five misers, four sisters and a brother, and all together worth \$100,000 lived near Warwick, N. Y. Two of the sisters have died of grip. and the rest of the family, there are hopeful expectations, will follow the example. The miser is believed to be the meanest form of vertebrate. and just where in the process of evolution it got separated from the pig science has yet to determine.

It may show a mean and revengeful spirit, but there are a great many who will feel a sense of disappointment at learning that a \$20 fine was all the penalty imposed upon three Ironwood policemen who were found guilty of stealing the relief stores which they had been set to guard. Sometimes people can't help regretting that the whipping post and pillory are things of the past.

A FRENCH journalist has devised plan for making Gibraltar untenable for the British by means of a diplo-matic alliance between France, Spain and the Moors. If Gibraltar is to be made untenable it must be by diplomacy, for several futile atbeen made since they took the rock in except those suffering from actual dis-1704. During the American revoluabilities received in the service. tion France and Spain joined in a two years' siege of the stronghold, but without avail, and the scarlet flag of England still waves from the summit of the orag.

Ar Managua, Nicaragua, news has been received from New York and Washington assuring positively the building of the canal." Here again we have a case of going away from home to learn the news. In this question has been referred to the country we have no positive assurances that congress will vote a guaraction whatever has been taken on stee to Nicaragua canal bonds. much less that the money to build the canal can be raised in New York he government guarantee is voted. the subject in advance of the event.

Under the Fifteen Minute Rule Amendments Will Be Offered and Chairman Wilson Orges All Democrate to Be in

Their Seate-Salary Question.

GENERAL DEBATE HAS CLOSED

ON THE BILL.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15 .- The real work on the tariff bill will commence to-day when the bill will be read by sections and be open to amendment of the utmost importance that every democratic member be present in the house from this time until the passage of the bill. Thus far the discussion has been limited to general debate, but from this time forward the actual voting on amendments will proceed from day to day. It will be neces-sary to maintain a quorum, as the absence at any time of a sufficient number for a vote, might involved the loss of a day or two in the consideration of the bill. What is of more consequence is that the amending of the bill should be made while the friends of the measure and the majority of the house are present to express their preferences. It would be most unfortunate if amendments were made from day to day through the absence of a sufficient number of Democratic members to prevent them. For this and has always claimed to be a Demoreason it is essential that the Democratic majority should attend the sessions from to-day until the debate closes as it will be the only means of avoiding the distortion of the entire measure.

Seignorage Coinage. Washington, Jan. 12 .- The house committee on coinage, weights and measures will meet to-day, and if the present understanding among the members is carried out they will favorably report a bill to coin the silver seignorage in the treasury. This seignorage is an anticipated one, that is, if the present bullion in the treasury were coined it would yield a seignorage of \$50,000,000. This amount can be coined as well before This the bullion is coined as after it is port against his confirmation. coined. It is said that Mr. Carlisle, in view of the straitened condition of the treasury, is anxious that such seignorage be coined, as it will be a clear profit and can be utilized in part by filling up the hole in the treasury. It should be observed that all suggestions as to a free coinage bill are hushed for the present.

Must Caucus on It.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13 .- The Democratic members of the ways and means committee considered the internal few years than it had been physically revenue bill yesterday. The meeting possible to construct. The appropriwas a spirited one, many unexpected ations of the government during the motions being made, so that at one past three years had exceeded by time the friends of the income tax over \$300,000,000 the total revenues feared that they were defeated. At of the government. Senator Call the outset of the meeting Mr. Tarsney (Democrat) of Florida thought it was moved that the question as to whether the internal revenue features were to be reported in an independent bill soon as possible, in order to give emshould be referred to a Democratic ployment to the millions of unemcaucus. This brought out an animated discussion. When the vote was taken the surprise of the meeting by moving destitution. prevailed by a vote of 6 to 5.

O'Nell's Loan Certificates.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11 .- The bill of Representative O'Neal of Massachusetts authorizing the secretary of the treasury to borrow money up to \$100,-000,000 in anticipation of the reve-nues, and issue therefor loan certificates bearing 3 per cent interest, is attracting much attention in sensatorial circles, in congress and the administration. It is regarded as something more than Mr. O'Neil's personal views, as he had discussed the subject with Secretary Carlisle and Assistant Hamlin before introducing the

Salaries in Lieu of Fees

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15 .- The judiclary committee of the house has not yet acted on Representative Stone's bill relating to the payment of salaries in lieu of fees to the United States at the senate committee on finance yestorneys, marshals and clerks. The committee hopes to reach a vote on Harris, Jones of Arkansas, Vest, Sher-

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15. - Immediately after the reading of the President's Hawaiian message Saturday the tariff debate was resumed and Mr. Pickler, Republican, of South Dakota. made a vigorous speech on the discrimination the bill made against the

farmers. After a few other long

speeches, pro and con the general debate on the tariff closed. Reimport Bill Passed. WASHINGTON, Jan. 10 .- In the sente yesterday Mr. Coke called up the house joint resolution authorizing the secretary of the treasury to permit the owners of cattle and horses transporting them into Mexico to reimport the same into the United States at any time within twelve months of this date. It was passed.

More Pensions. WASHINGTON, Jan. 10 .- The house committee on invalid pensions yesterday ordered a favorable report of the senate bill to repeal the clause of the appropriation act which cuts off from pension rolls non-residents who mpts to dislodge the British have are not citizens of the United States

> Contested Election Case. WASHINGTON, Jan. 10 .- The contested election case of O'Neill vs. Joy for a seat in the house of representatives from the eleventh Missouri district was yesterday decided in favor of O'Neill by a strict party vote in the election committee.

Road Quation. ways and means committee, but no action whatever has been taken on the subject as yet.

Federal Elections Bill.

Washington, Jan. 19.—The session of the senate yesterday did not develop that interest that was antici- and means committee.

pated. The consideration of the federal election bill was not begun according to the programme of Senator Gray, as no one seemed prepared to speak, and after some colloquy be-tween Senators Chandler, Gray and Gorman over the method of procedure, the measure finally went over until Monday. At that time, however, it comes up as unfinished busi-ness and Senator Gray gave notice that he would press its consideration "reasonably and continuously" un-til a vote be reached. Even the Hawaiian situation failed to elicit the debate that was promised. Senator Chandler's resolution calling for under the fifteen minute rule. It is an opinion as the constitutionality and regularity of the appointment of Commissioner Blount by President Cleveland was called up and pressed for passage, but after Senator Gorman had expressed his opinion that its passage would be disrespectful to the foreign relations committee which is already considering the subject, Senator Chandler, finding his own party not a unit in support of his proposition, promptly withdrew it.

A Double Party Man.

Washington, Jan. 12 .- A rather sensational matter occurred in the senate committee on commerce yesterday. The nomination of Scott Harrison as surveyor of customs at Kansas City was before the committee for report to the senate. Harrison is the brother of ex-President Harrison crat, though he has voted the Republican ticket, having voted for his brother and the Republican candidate for congress at the last election. Tarsney, the Democratic member of congress from Kansas City, wanted another man appointed and bitterly fought Harrison. In the executive session of the commerce committee yesterday the political record of Harrison was shown and when this was done the inquiry was made of the Republican members as to what they would do if they were in the majority and Harrison was put before them as a Republican appointee with his record. They said they would refuse to report his confirmation. The vote was taken and every member, Democrats and Republicans, voted to re-

Most Hemarkable. WASHINGTON, Jan. 11 .- Yesterday complained that there had been unreasonable delay in beginning the construction of the public building at Salina, Kan. Appropriation had been made four or five years ago. and the plans had not yet been begun. Senator Gorman (Democrat) of Maryland said the trouble was that congress had made appropriations for more public buildings within the last important that all public buildings to be constructed should be begun as ployed American laborers now in act-

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13 .- The greater part of the sesson of the senate yesterday was devoted to legislative bus-The nomination of Mr. Presiness. ton to be director of the mint was finally resurrected. after many weeks of slumbering, and confirmed by a vote of three-fiths of the senators present. The chief event of the open session of the senate was the adoption of the resolution of Mr. Allen, the Populist senator from Nebraska, calling upon the secretary of the treasury to explain certain figures in his recent report in regard to the gold importations for 1893. Senator Dolph of Oregon joined with the Populist senator in expressing an inability to comprehend the secretary's report and the resolution of inquiry was

adopted without any dissent. Wants to Issue Bonds. WASHINGTON, Jan. 11 .- Secretary Carlisle proposed an issue of bonds to terday afternoon. Senators Voorhees. the measure at its next meeting on man, Allison and Jones of Nevada were present. It was supposed that the secretary would have a proposition formulated to present and such proved to be the case. Mr. Carlisle said he wanted authority to issue bonds and so stated to the committee. He thinks an issue of bonds the simplest way to meet the apparently ap-

proaching crisis in the treasury. WASHINGTON, Jan. 9 .- The house got down to work yesterday and the first gun on tariff reform was fired. The plaintive appeals sent out by tariff reformers for the absentees to return, threats of the press and the people and the order of arrest sent out by the hease itself had its effect and yesterday morning a Democratic response on a roll call developed a quorum. Mr. Wilson began speaking in favor of the bill at 3:15. He will

finish to-day. Seigniorage Certificates. WASHINGTON, Jan. 13 .- The Bland seigniorage bill, as agreed on, directs the secretary of the treasury to immediately issue silver certificates of current denominations up to amount of the seigniorage now in the treasury, viz. \$55,156,681. These certificates are to be at once available to pay current government ex-penses. The seigniorage is to be coined as fast as possible to redeem

the certificates. Ten Per Cent Tax Bill. WASHINGTON, Jan. 12 .- Members of the house committee on banking and currency say it is almost certain that the bill repealing the 10 per cent tax on state bank issues will be favorably reported from the committee.

Whisky Tax. WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.-The imposition of a tax of \$1 per gallon on whisky and the extension of the bonding period from three to eight years has been formally agreed to by ing period from three to eight years this country with Hawaii under the Columbus, O., penitentiary, he having the Democratic members of the ways briefly reviewing the history of his \$103,000.

ALL ABOUT A PROPOSED EN TERTAINMENT.

Episcopalians Are to Give a Kirmess and the Methodist and United Brethren Warn Their Members to Not Attend. A Fatal Snowslide. GREENSBURG, Pa., Jan. 15 .-

ilized society, least of all in church circles. Members of the two churches were publicly warned yesterday that their names would be events, he said, proved that the presentations and as an entirely proper proceeding under the circumstances. The subsequent events, he said, proved that the presentations are considered in the circumstances. promptly stricken from the member- ence of the American troops was not

Train Robbed.

St. Joseph, Mo., Jan. 11.—The Burlington "Ell," leaving St. Joseph at 6:25 for Chicago, was held up by five men at the foot of St. Joseph hill, three and a half miles east of the city. at about 7 p. m. The robbers secured the mail pouches and all the contents of the safe in the express car. The railroad officials claim the amount was a slim man and wore a light brown suit. The other was a short man and wore a black suit. The engineer and other train men were unable to give a description of the other three men.

Fifteen Are Killed.

RIO JANEIRO, Jan. 13.—The explosion which took place at Fort Villegagnon was much more serious than at first supposed. It now appears that fifteen men were killed by the Senator Peffer (Populist) of Kansas explosion. The blow is a serious one Fort Villegaignon, which was already much damaged by the frequent storms of shot and shell which have visited it during the past few months. It also appears that the explosion on board the Tamandare was more serious than at first announced. Later reports say six were killed and eight weunded. The two disasters to the rebels have had the effect of considerably disheartening them, and it is reported they may cause a decided turn in the tide in favor of Peixoto.

> Burned a Baby. New Castle, Pa., Jan. 18.—The sensational case of Prof. Hartshorne and Dr. E. H. Campbell, who were accused by the Robinson sisters Thursday of attempting to murder them, has had additional interest lent to it accused men. The authorities claim the cooking stove was substantially corroborated by Alda yesterday. Prof. Hartshorne's preliminary hearing is set for January 18. Dr. Campbell is still at large, but his arrest is momentarily expected.

Fatal Snewslide. SPORANE, Wash., Jan. 15 .- With a mighty roar as of thunder a terrific snowslide came down the mountains at Mullane, Idaho, Saturday, carrying everything before it. Several miners cabins in its path were crushed and buried. Cornelius McGrevy and John Rollen were eating dinner in their cabins at the time, and before they realized their danger the slide was upon them, crushing the life out of them in a twinkling. It is feared others were buried under the immense slide of snow. Not until spring comes will it be known how many perished. The town of Mullane narrowly escap-

ed being carried away.

Negro Killed. JACKSONVILLE; Fla., Jan. 15 .- 1 pecial from Rochelle, Fla., says: Thursday night Charles Willis, a negro desperado, was shot and seri-ously wounded by Thomas Petrower. a white man. Friday night unknown parties went to the house where Willis was lying wounded, riddled him with buckshot and then fired the bed on which the negro was resting. The parties were evidently afraid the negro would recover from the wound inflicted by Petrower.

Will Ask an Investigation.

LONDON, Jan. 10 .- Mr. Henniker penditures of the British section at the World's fair. It is charged that there has been gross mismanagement and wasteful expenditure.

Hydrophobia.

POMEROY, O., Jan. 13 .- Mad dogs are terrorizing the people of Cottage-ville, W. Va. Charles Barnett died there yesterday from hydrophobia and an aged couple named Griffith have been bitten by rabid dogs and have hydrophobia. Great numbers of stock have died. The dogs are being slaughtered by armed officers.

LAMAR. Colo., Jan. 15 .- All records were broken in the two days' rabbit bunt which ended Saturday night. The total number killed was 4200 and the individual score was 160. The pame was shipped to Denver and Pueblo to be distributed among the needy.

Mr. Blount's Report.

ate committee yesterday morning

Mr Blount said that on his arrival there he found the islands and the government entirely under the control or protection of the United States troops. The American flag floated over the government building in which the officers of the provisional government conducted their business. Everywhen was noticed the influence of this country upon the people of the blands. It was evident Mr. Blount said, that it would be difficult to secure an impartial accounter opinion uninfluenced by the surroundings as long as this state of affairs continued. necessary to preserve order or to protect the lives and property of either Americans or natives. The reports of Minister Willis will be transmitted to congress as soon as they can be

Is Not Settled Yet.

Honolup: Jan. 1 .- Via Victoria, b. C., Jan. 10.-The Associated lieve the restoration will be accomplished by Cleveland and the annexationists as confidently declared that no restoration shall take place. The situation has, in fact, settled into one of glaring defiance, in which the roy-alists themselves admit that they would have no show unless aided by the forces of the United States. The H. N. Castle, is absolutely denied by both of these gentlemen. To the As-sociated Press Mr. Thurston said: been recognized by both the United have in existence."

vacant houses in a certain neighbor- the result of Sturkle's wound. hood on North Second street are the result of negro superstition and the sequel to a sensational story published extensively in the newspapers last summer. Seay S. (Commodore) Mil- here yesterday by the arrest of a neler, a colored man, with his wife, had gro, by the charge of Detective Marshall yesterday of murder against the two yesterday of murder against the two created excitement among the colored girl and the negro were the only pasaccused men. The authorities claim to have evidence to show that Miss Alda Robinson's baby was slive when born and Miss Maggie's statement regarding the burning of the infant in garding the burning of the infant in the cooking stove was substantially to where Miller lived, heard a noise, reported to the police, who have been and going to the door saw Miller's body in a burning, seething, writhing condition, which almost frightened her to death. Two nights later Mrs. Benson, another neighbor, saw the old. form of Miller fiaming and tumbling through the air and darting into the late Miller residence. On each occa sion the electric light on the corner went out. The exodus has been complete and every house in the vicinity is offered at low rent with no takers.

Blew Out His Brains. MONTGOMERY, Ala., Jan. 10 .- Dr. John H. Blue, one of the largest practicing physicians in Montgomery, a polished and high-toned gentleman, shot and killed himself Monday. About two weeks ago Dr. Blue was charged with intimacy with Mrs. May Kelley, wife of Fire Chief Kelley. This created a sensation. Kelley instituted divorce proceedings, charg-ing Mrs. Kelly with adultery with Dr. Dlue. Since the bill was filed the scandal preyed heavily on the doctor's mind, and his mind became unsettled. Mrs. Kelley admitted that she was guilty and asked her husband's forgiveness. Dr. Blue repaired to his bathroom and blew out his brains.

Planters Floeced.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Jan. 12 .- A mar giving his name as A. W. Martin, and representing himself to be the agent of the "National Merchants' Loan company, capital \$2,000,000," has been operating in Memphis for some time. His game was to offer to loan LONDON, Jan. 10.—Mr. Henniker Heaton, conservative member for Canterbury, it is said will move the apole of requiring a fee for the investigation. pointment of a select committee to tion of titles was used, and a thieving nquire into the management and ex-penditures of the British section at posure came. Martin escaped.

Stamp Clerk Robbed. CHICAGO, Ill., Jan. 12.-George B. Hennessy, employed in the stemp department of the postoffice, reported yesterday evening that he had been robbed of stamps to the amount of window for an instant and turned

Family Murdered Marierra, O., Jan. 9.—Word was received here last night of the murder of Henry Sauer's entire families ilv, living about three miles from this city. Sauer has a wife and two or more children were found murdered. Sauer was sufficient to the saudy a short time he drew out a revolver and shot himself through the head. He is a widower. His mother and children reside at Mexia, murdered. Sauer was a wealthy farmer add a good citizen. The mur-der was evidently committed for

Redwine Sentenced

ATANTA, Ga., Jan. 13.-Judge Par-WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—Ex-Com-missioner Blount was before the sen-ate committee yesterday morning ier of the Gate City national which is investigating the relations of bank, for a term of six years in the

A CAMERON TRAGEDY

D. H. MEYERS KILLS W. A. BINK-LEY OF COLUMBUS,

And Fatally Wounds A. H. Jones of Meridian, Miss., in a Bruce of His Pame—A Gang of Train Wreckers at Adam's Station.

CAMERON, Tex., Jan. 15.—D. H. Meyers of this place Saturday night about 2 o'clock shot and instantly shooting Binkley. Meyers turned to Jones, who he found crouching in a corner, and shot him through the bowels. His wounds are considered fatal. After the shooting Meyers, in company with one of the women, went to a livery stable, secured a bugy, drove to the residence of Sheriff Bickett and surrendered to him. The facts of the killing developed at the inquest trial, which was held yesteris expected to testify.

Shot Below the Ear. COMANCHE, Tex., Jan. 9 .- Henry Morris, a farmer living fifteen miles east of here on Baggett creek, and J. I. Sturkie, a farmer living a few miles north of Proctor, in this county, became involved in a difficulty Sunday afternoon at the house of the latter, proposition for the establishment of a during which two shots were fired at republic here, said to have been originated by Minister Thurston and Mr. perhaps causing fatal injury. The ball entered just below the ear and ranged downward through the shoulsociated Press Mr. Thurston said: der. and has not been located by the "Such an idea never entered our attending physicians. After he was heads. Why should it? We are now shot Sturkle rushed into his house to an established government. We have get his winchester, i at sank down before he could get it. The trouble States and Russia, and to establish a arose over a family matter. Sheriff republic would be but to rennounce Foster went to the scene and arrested the recognition of the nation we now Morris, brought him to the city and lodged him in jail. Complaint was also filed against him for assault with A Good Ghost Story. intent to murder. The examining Springfield, Ill., Jan. 11.—Twelve trial was set for new Friday, to await

A Daring Assault. San Antonio, Tex., Jan. 11.bold crime was brought to public light Will Porter, who made a crimcome here from Cairo and later in the inal assault upon a 15-year-old white year he was hanged and burned at girl named Frieders Mink last Sunday quietly searching for the perpetrator ever since. Porter was arrested upon a description furnished by the girl. He contesses his guilt. He is 19 years

> Attempted Train Wrecking. SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Jan. 15 .- The gang of train wreckers who made two attempts to wreck International and Great Northern trains near Hunter's station last week, were at work at Adams' station, a few miles north of here on the same road, Saturday night. They spread the rails and placed an obstruction in the switch, throwing it open. The obstruction was noticed by railroad employee just in time to avoid the northbound passenger train being wrecked. As the San Autonio and Aransas Pass passenger train was pulling out of nere for Kerrville the coaches were showered with big rocks and a number of windows broken. No one injured.

Killing Near Hallville.

HALLVILLE, Tex., Jan 10 .- A few nights since, while three young men were returning from a party two miles west of here, they met three negro boys. One of the white men, named Bun Rowe, and one of the negroes, named Neal Denton, became involved in a difficulty, in which Denton was shot in the back, from the effects of which Denton died the next morning. Rowe came in Monday and was placed under \$1500 bond to await the action of the grand jury. He says the shooting was in self-defense.

GONZALES, Tex., Jan. 10 .- News has just reached here of a shooting at Belmont, this county. It appears that Dr. Phil Howard of Marion, had a disagreement with Willie Allsup. a saloon keeper of Belmont. Howard was shot in the hip and thigh. The wounds are very | sinful, but are not considered dangerous. The grand jury is investigating the matter.

Commits Suicide. WACO, Tex., Jan. 12 .- Hugh Durst, around just in time to see the stamps aged 24. checker at a cotton com-disappear. He said he raised an out-cry, but it was not heard. Miss Dora Ragsdale, Mr. Lewis' step-daughter. After conversing with the young lady a short time he drew out

> BONHAM, Tex., Jan, 11.—Lizzie Haynes and Ida Plunkett, the girls who escaped from jail Tuesday night, were arrested yesterday evening at Honey Grove dressed in men's clothre Paring. They were in company with J.
> Louis
> D. Henderson. He is under arrest
> cashand will be held on a charge of assist-

ing the prisoners to escape. Austin, Tex., Jan. 13.—At exactly 8:58 yesterday afternoon Sheriff

R. E. White sprung the trap that sent the soul of Ed Nichols across the waterless river that marks the boundary line between life and death. It was 2 o'clock when the reporters and those who had permits to witness the were admitted to the cell which the condemned man occupied, and found Nichols neatly attired in a black suit of clothes, a hat upon his head and smoking a cigarette. If it had not been for the cold stone walls and the massive iron bars and the racket shurch war which promises to assume acrious proportions has been inaugurated here. The cause is a kirmess festival which is to be held next week in the Episcopal church, of which Mr. Fiddler is the rector. The affair was denounced from the pulpits of several other churches yesterday, particularly the Methodist and United Brethren. The ministers declare Brethren. The ministers declare Brethren. The ministers declare This ministers declare This method is the ended the temporary protector. This method is a sum on the following day, April 1, he ended the temporary protector. This method is a sum on the following day. April 1, he ended the temporary protector. This method is a sum on the following day. April 1, he ended the temporary protector. This method is a sum on the following day. April 1, he ended the temporary protector. This method is a sum on the following day. April 1, he ended the temporary protector. This method is a sum on the following day. April 1, he ended the temporary protector. This method is a sum of the first three that they go at once, and being rethat the scandalous skirt dance and on the following day, April that the scandalous skirt dance and other questionable capers of the ancients should not be tolerated in civilized society, least of all in church circles. Members of the two circles. Members of the two circles and on the following day, April refused, whereupon Meyers dressed, and, coming into the parlor, demanded that they go at once, and being refused fired upon them with the above fused fired upon them with the above results. Binkley was shot while sit-tirely proper proceeding under the time in a chair, the ball several and massive neck and the low fused fired upon them with the above fused fired upon them with the above the chocolate hus of his skin. The short curly wool, large first proceeding the low fused fired upon them with the above fused fired upon them are fused fired upon them with the above fused fired upon th the femoral artery and death and massive neck, and the low fore-followed almost instantly. After head and dark, expressionless eyes stamped him as being of the lower order of human life, a creature whose passion was greater than his judgment and whose animal propensities dictates of heart or will or intellect. There he sat in holiday attire waiting for his trip to that country from which there are no re. turning footsteps. The jail yard was packed with people, white and black, railroad officials claim the amount will not exceed \$50. This statement is not credited here, however, as Superintendent H. Hohl of the Burlington road and W. H. Mosley of the Adams Express company have been in consultation with the sheriff and chief of police. One of the robbers Sheriff White read the death warrant, after which the noose and rope was adjusted. Before the black cap was adjusted Nichols calmly shook hands with and bade farewell to all upon the platform and said quietly he hoped to meet them all in heaven. At 3:58 Sheriff White sprung the trap and Nichols shot down to his death, and at fifteen minutes past 4 the body was cut down and prepared for burial. Thus did the law avenge the outrage upon Anna Straka, the little 11 year old Bohemiau girl.

A Desperate Fight.

Houston, Tex., Jan. 12.-News was received here yesterday of a desperate shooting affray at Fulshear, on the Aransas Pass road, in Fort Bend county. The parties to it were Deputy Sheriff William Smith of that county and Mr. J. H. Rhoades. Mr. Rhoades was displaying a Winchester rifle in a manner that caused the officer to request him to discontinue it. He claimed that he had the right to do so, and when the officer started to arrest Rhoades he resisted, and fearing that he would bring his gun into play he fired upon him with a pistol, the ball cutting the skin at the outer edge of the left eye and passing through the hat. Another shot sent a bullet through both lapels of the coat and vest of Mr. Rhoades, who, with his Winchester, fired once, the ball going wide of its mark. Jeff Bryant, acting as an officer, arrested both parties. He failed in an attempt to prevent the The officer shot three times, and it was regarded as almost a miracle that his shots were not fatal, as they were only about six feet apart at the time. Mr. Rhoades' face was badly burned from the first shot. Both men have families.

Made His Escape.

SHERMAN, Tex., Jan. 11 .- B. R. Long, sergeant of the guard at the Gordonville county workhouse, made a report yesterday of an escape late Tuesday afternoon. Virgie Hell, under an imprisonment sentence for running a gaming table, jumped from the workhouse van in which he had been brought from Sherman and dashed off into the woods. Several shots were fired at him, but without effect. A guard by the name of Sanders came pretty near killing an ex-convict who was driving one of the vans and was running in an attempt to catch Bell. The fugitive had at last accounts not been heard of.

Mad Dog in a School House.

TEHUACANA, Tex., Jan. 11 .- Tuesday at the schoolhouse at Cedar, about two miles from this place, a mad dog ran into the house filled with school children and began snapping right and left. Several children had their clothes torn and a little son of Geo. McCullough was bitten. He was brought to the physicians here for treatment. Prof. Adkisson killed the dog.

Seriously Hurt.

BIG SANDY, Tex., Jan. 12 .- Bert Coan, a young man, was seriously, if not fatally injured yesterday morning at Morgan Bro.'s mill by being caught in the bull wheel. The upper portion of his left arm was broken and forearm lacerated from the elbow to the wrist. His left side was badly bruised and several minor injuries on his body.

EDNA, Tex., Jan. 12.—Some one entered the depot a few nights ago by opening the doors. The safe was robbed of \$500. The burglar must have been an expert at the business, as the safe was seemingly opened without any trouble whatever. No clew to the thief.

Attempted Burglary.

ABILENE, Tex., Jan. 9.—An attempt was made Sunday night to burglarize the safe in the grain house of H. O. Wooten & Co. The cash drawer was broken open and the combination to the safe chiseled.

FORT WORTH, Tex., Jan. 9.—Uncle

Hugh Roberts, known to old settlers over north Texas, suffered a fail yesterday at his home near Hodge, breaking several ribs and injuring his head. His condition is critical. He is 86 years old.

Log Broken and Crushed France, Tex., Jan. 15.—H. B. Jordan had his leg broken and badly crushed by a falling piano, which he was attempting to remove from a car.

ALL OVER THE STATE

INTERESTING CULLINGS FROM THE DAILY PRESS.

A Criep and Complete Breviary of Beer Bound-Ups Carefully Selected and Bondepod Rondable from Every Portion of the Empire State

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The total amount of receipts during December from interest and lease of lands deposited in the state treasury through the comptroller is as follows: School lands, interest, \$20,099.82; principal, \$7,574.53; lease, \$13,307.91; University lands, interest, \$48.30; principal, \$17.30; lease, \$672; blind asylum lands, interest, \$31.20; prin-cipal, \$5; lunatic asylum lands, interest, \$336.84; principal, \$204.70; deaf and dumb asylum lands, interest, \$120.60; orphan asylum lands, interest, \$61.40; public domain, act March 29, 1887, \$742.29. Total, \$43,226.49. This is \$70,000 less than the receipts of December last year.

A lad about 16 years eld shot and mortally wounded Obedish Hardin at Williamson county, a few Granger. days ago. Hardin was a tenant of the iad's grandfather and had obtained his landlord's permission to use his stable. The lad objected to this, and when Hardin and his brother came to feed he rushed out and drew a gun. Obediah Hardin caught the gun, trying to save his brother, and received the load of buckshout in his own body. He lived only a few hours.

At the recent convention of the Masonic Grand Lodge of Texas at Houston, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: B. F. Frymier, of Houston, grand master; G. Harrison, of Sulphur Springs, deputy grand master; B. R. Abereathy, of Gonzales, senior, grand warden; A. B. Watkins, of Henderson county, junior grand warden. S. P. Moore, of Houston, grand treasurer. W. F. Swain, of Houston, grand seccotary.

Henry B. Potts, allas Henry Moore who is wanted at San Antonio on a charge of forgery, has been arrested at New Orleans. Potts was until a few weeks ago deputy clerk in the county clerk's office at the above named place, but disappeared suddenly and it developed that a series of forgeries had been committed.

Recently a stock train was run into Manor, Travis county, with a car fleroely burning. It was hard work to save the cargo of horses, but after sidetracking and with the help of the local fire company the horses were unloaded. The stock belonged to W. O. Davis of Marble falls and were being shipped to Georgia.

At the regular meeting of the Waco city council recently a resolution was adopted that the city election to take place next April be conducted under the Australian ballot system and arrangements were made for the registration of voters. The resolution was adopted in response to a petition of 505 voters.

near Kerrville recently and asked for something to eat. The ladies gave him a meal, but instead of leaving when he was through eating he drev a knife and tried to kill one of them. He was foiled in his effort by neigh-

bors and is now in jail. At Brownsville on Christmas eve Leandro Solis became involved in a quarrel with his wife and used a hatchet with good effect upon his better half, splitting her nose open, knocking several of her teeth out and otherwise disfiguring her. He is in

The Laredo Light and Machine company has sold its plant and fix-tures situated in New Laredo, Mex., to the Laredo, Texas, Electric and Railway company, and the latter company will hereafter do the house and street lighting in that city.

At Gainesville one morning re-cently John Davis, aged 17. left his father's home and nothing can be learned of him. The boy went to his room as usual on the night of his departure. The father of the boy is very uneasy.

At Fort Worth recently M. T. Camp bell got tired waiting for a freight train standing at Jennings avenue crossing on the Texas and Pacific to move. He tried to cross between two cars and had his right foot badly

At Bryan recently Charley Patterson and Will Rudisill became involved in a difficulty in which Patterson received a deep cut on the left cheek and Rudisill got his head hurt slight-He was arrested and gave bond

Deputy United States Marshal Wal-er and four guards left San Antonio a few days ago for San Francisco with sixty-one Chinamen, sentenced to deportation. All were arrested near that city within the last few

Joe Cain who lived twelve miles dead north of Dallas was found in the road near his home a few days ago. He was out hunting, and it is believed that he accidentally shot himself as one barrell of his gun was

At Brenham recently a negro named Charles Damon was arrested by constable Boyd and jailed on a charge of criminal assault alleged to have been committed on the 11-year-old daughter of Sebe Crenshaw.

It is estimated that the printing of the reports of the five courts of civil appeal of this state will cost some-

where near \$20,000. This sum of money only a short time ago paid for all the public printing at the capital.

The little 4-year-old girl of Jesse anciesve at Comanche was badly urned a few days ago. While playing around the cooking stove her othing caught and she was terribly mad before her father reached her. ris has raised a large bonus ireat Northern from Columbia, stance of sight miles. The river will have to be bridged

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store at Fort Worth recently. There was no glass in the store, so he stepped into a barber shop to see how they fit. He did not return, but he is

A committee of citizens of Smith-villé, Bastrop county, visited Denison recently, with the hope of inducing the Missouri, Kansas & Texas rathroad officials to locate division shops at that place.

The amount of tax money paid into the county treasury of Hill county for December, 1898, is \$88,000, while the city tax receipts of Hillsbore from October 1 to January 1 amount to 927,000.

The cases of the \$25 liquor dealers indicted by the last grand jury at Galveston for selling without license will be tried in the criminal court January 17, 18, 19 and 20.

At Aberfoyle, Hunt county, a few days since Blache Shuford, while run-ning a race, his horse suddenly dodged and his head struck a tree, from the effects of which he died.

Congressman Gresham has secured from the treasury department and had forwarded to the contractors in Texas \$86,000 for their work on the harbor at Sabine Pass. Senator Coke has introduced a bill

in the senate agreed on by him and Mr. Crain extending the time to the Aransas Pass harbor company to improve the harbor.

At Corsicans recently the 8-year-old daughter of Dr. Hines was out riding. Her horse threw her and her foot hung in the stirrup and she was dragged to death. The corneratone of the St. Louis grass.

nio a few days ago by Bishop Neraz. The building when completed will cost about \$200,000. Attorney-General Culberson is preparing a motion for a rehearing in the

Queen Insurance company recently lecided against the state by the supreme court. A 7-year-eld boy strayed off from his home at San Marcos recently. He was found at night eight miles in the country accompanied by his faith-

ful dog. A few days ago at Caldwell a rifle was accidentally discharged in the hands of Dud Hunt, killing A. B. Carothers instantly. They were good

the court house to employ home labor. Those persons found on the streets of Houston after 11 o'clock must give a satisfactory account of themselves to the officers or be locked up.

The Baptists lead all Protestant denominations in Texas in numbers, having 248,523. Methodists come next with 218,000.

John Farmer was recently elected treasurer of Harris county by the com-missioners court to fill the unexpired term.

one Mr. Frank Stadden's little irls was kicked by a horse and badly

Rt. Rev. Edward J. Dunne, bishop lect of the sea of Dallas will leave

Alva Moore, while out hunting near Dodd, Fannin county, recently accidentally shot himself in the shoulder.

The contract for a new city hospital for Dallas to cost \$12,900 has peen let and work commenced on is. Congressman Culberson intends to make an effort to get a tower clock on the public building at Paris.

Passenger trains now run through from Lancaster to Dallas on the Houson & Texas Central railroad.

Cash is being received at the state treasury at the rate of from \$20,000 o \$80,000 per day.

The skeleton of an unknown man was found recently near Mesquite. Dallas county.

Judge A. B. Norton was buried with the American flag wrapped about his coffin. A carpenters union has been or-

ganized at Hillsboro with thirty-two nembers. The Texas railways are all busy

distributing attractive advertising matter. Garrison, Nacogdoches county,

olks talk of organizing a dramatio

The children of the public schools of Brownsville had a nice Christmas

Several families of immigrante have ecently settled near Rockport.

The Texas side of Texarkana is have a complete sewer system.

Floresville has a brass band which her citizens are proud. Fort Worthites are now figuring on

mamoth hotel for that city. Six members of the fire companies of Corsicana have resigned.

Work will begin soon in the granite quarries in Burnett county. C. E. Dasher, of Ennis. Ellis county.

has been adjudged insane. The Salvation Army of Dallas omplishing much good.

San Antonio is soon to have nd athletic assoc The Butterfly fete at Fort Worth

Houston county people are boasting of plenty of fat hogs.

The new city jail at Fort Worth has just been finished. Sourry county has issued \$3000 of ridge bonds.

Texas has 527,000 children hool age. Denison is now oursed with a

Oak Cliff is to be lighted with Dallas

Tyler is still talking of a board of

There is a packery at Wichita Falls.

A negro tried on a suit of clothes in THE FARM AND HOME.

GRASS AND MEADOWS DE-

Mondows That Will Be Permanent Are of Greatest Importance to Farmers ... The Cow for Every Family-Farm Notes and Home Bints.

Grass and Meadews.
Grass is the most important of all farm products. It is the principal food of all the farm animals. If we ount up the gross value of all the products that are derived from the rrass, we shall find it to amount to larger sum than that of all the grains grown, and perhaps more than that of every other farm crop

take together.
This shows the importance of giving the grass the best possible cultivation and the enormous losses that result from the general careessness with which farmers treat this great product.

There are a great many kinds grasses. Some are annuals; that is, they grow and mature their seed and then die. Others are perennials, that is, they go on growing year after year for a great many years, and if well fed with manure and fertilizers they will go on growing and supporting cattle and sheep for hundreds of years. In England, where the farmers give more attention and care to the meadows, there are fields that have never been plowed for hundreds of years. And such fields are so highly valued that no temptation in the form of money would induce the owner of the land to break up these meadows and destroy the

The perennial grasses are the most valuable and are mostly grown. Catholic college was laid in San Anto-The farmer has little use for any kind of grass except one that will occupy the land for two or three years. But yet there is reason to believe that more attention might be given to the more permanent grasses. that would make meadows that, by the right treatment, would last for a

great many years. The common practice is to sow grass with clover, or grass alone, for two crops of hay, and one year of pasture and then plow the land for wheat or corn, or some other crop. This is a very good practice, because the roots of the grass and clover, and the stems and leaves afford most valuable manure for the crops following. It has been found by accurate At a recent mass meeting of Fort measure and weighing that one Worth citizens, a resolution was adopted requesting the contractors on field, shaken free of the adhering soil, weighed two pounds. If we take the number of square feet in an acre of land and multiply it by two we shall find the total weight of the sod of an acre of land at this rate to equal more than eighty tons. And all this matter is worth quite as much as the best manure is as plant food, so that by plowing under a sod of this kind the farmer may add to the land such a large quantity of food for crops as would be worth fully \$100 for every acre. It is only reasonable to believe that such a valuable crop as grass must need the very est preparation of the land. And this is a truth that unfortunately few farmers realize as they should

do. The land must be well plowed, thoroughly well harrowed to make it fine for the very small seed, and it Chicago for his future home January must be well manured to feed the grass, that it may grow strong and thick upon the ground. It is considered best by good farmers to plow the land in the fall, turning under plenty of manure and then sow wheat, seeding with the grass at the same time. This is done because the grass is very weak at first, and it is feared that a few dry days in the spring might kill the young weak lants. And this does happen at imes, but if it does, the reason is

that some mistake has been made. We have learned that young plants first live upon the food that is stored in the seed, but that as soon as this is exhausted, the roots get the food from the soil. To do his it is necessary that the roots should be in the soil. But unless the seed have been sown in the soil the roots will not be in, but only on the soil, and thus, if a few dry days come after the grass seeds sprouted the tender roots will be dried and killed and the expected grass will not be seen. Doubtless his is the reason for much disappointment among farmers who do not sow the seed and at once cover

it, as all seeds should be. This goes to show that the newly sown grass seeds should be covered by the soil, by means of a light harrowing, as soon as the sowing is completed. Then there is no risk of nage by dry weather, for the roots will be able to gather food and sup port the young grass. But this cov ering should be very light. on account of the smallness of the grass seeds. And for this special work light grass seeding harrows are made, or should be for this use. Some farmers use a plank or two, or three, or more of them for this work, and a drag of this kind is made by fastening the planks together by short chains so that they may be dragged over the land and so cover

Grasses are what are called sociable plants, that is, several Thus, when several kinds are thus sewn together, they grow quite closely and soon make a thick mat or sod, and this helps to prevent the escape of moisture from the soil, as might happen if the land were partly bare and exposed to the sun and wind. There is another reason for this mixing of kinds of grass; this is, that some grow faster than others, and some start to grow later in the season. This will ingrass, because there is a continuous growth of fresh herbage all through the season. And while the earlier kinds are recovering from the pas-turing of the cattle or sheep the later kinds are coming on and furnish feeding. Some kinds of grass have what are called fibrous roots, that is, the roots spread fro run along just under the surface, and being furnished with bids or eyes, new sprouts bids or eyes, new sprouts

the land may become quickly covered with plants of this character, and in a few years there will be a dense sod that will completely cover the ground THE AGENTS. and make the best of pasture. All that is wanted then to have a perma-

Big, Gaudy-Looking Time Pieces Catch Their Faucy and They Pay High Prices for Them... Tombetonce Are Another Little Extravagance.

nent growth of grass year after year

A Family Cow.

competent to give advice in

may be required.

is to furnish abundance of food for grass and sow fresh seed in places where it may be wanted, and then keep the land in a meadow as long as may be wished. To do this the my hands already this season for that man over there." said the cashier farmer must study the nature of the various grasses, so that he may choose the right kind for this use. of one of the banks in an interior Southern town.

known as "the clock man," and his mode of conducting his profitable business is unique and interesting. In the articles for the press it is He employs a large number of men. usually presumed that the writer is furnishes each with a horse and road addressing those who have dairies, cart and sends them out into the and the man with one cow is overhighways and byways, through relooked, and in this connection we mote country lanes and pine woods here give the views of A. L. Crosby roads where the trace of wheels is so cupled by of my wife, when the in the matter, a man in every way dim as to be almost undiscernible to boy came along with an armful of in the matter, a man in every way dim as to be almost undiscernible to sell clocks to the negroes and such keeping of one cow.

Every family in moderate circumstances living in the country, needs are estimated at being worth only a good family cow; and if the family about \$4, but are sold at from \$12 to include children, the need becomes \$14 apiece. The agents go round in almost a necessity. The great ob- April or May to sell them, taking a jection urged against keeping a mortgage on a cow or an ox, a wagon, family cow is the expense, which is a hog, poultry of various kinds, anysupposed by many who are unacthing which can be sold and convert-quainted with the facts to heavily ed into money—even bedsteads, bed overbalance the income. But the clothes, cups and saucers and matreverse can easily be shown to be tresses are accepted the truth, taking into consideration curity-and in the fall the the difficulty of buying good milk, lectors follow and receive the pay even in the country, the cost of the ments. One thing is noticeable—the same, and often the disappointment man who presents the claim for payin not being able to get it ment is never the same who sold the just when most needed (all moth-clock the previous spring, says the just when most needed (all moth-ors appreciate this) I think Philadelphia Times. Thus any litwhen the account is footed up, it will the irregularities in the papers drawn be found that the family cow will up at the time of the sale are unprove herself to be a money-maker. known to him; he only demands But right here comes the point what was agreed upon. Every negro which decides the question of profit house, no matter if the only other or loss in keeping a family cow, and articles in it are a wooden bench or that is, the kind of cow kept. There two, a hide-bottomed chair, cooking can be no question as to whether of utensils and the water pail. with not it will pay to keep a poor cow, the most meagre provisions for sleepfor it will not; but as to keeping a ing, boasts one of these showy-look good cow, there is no doubt as to its ing timepolees on the rude being a profitable business from a over the clumsy chimney-place. Of dollar point of view, and the Jersey commonest wood, shiney as long as cow answers this purpose admirably. new, and ornamented with a little The family cow must not only supply cheap gilt, these clocks possess one the family with milk, but with but- delightful charm in the eyes, or ter, also, and this the Jersey will do rather ears, of their owners—they And Jersey cream being easily can strike. They afford but little churned, it is an easy matter for knowledge as to the flight of time, those comparatively ignorant of but- because their owners do not know the meaning of the letters on the ter-making to manage it in a satisfactory way. This point is too often overlooked, but it is a very imporwhite face of their much-prized ornament or the significance of the little slender "hands" going ever round and round. The possessors of these clocks can tell the time much more accurately by the sun mark The Jersey is a hearty feeder, and, they have grown accustomed to as a family cow will learn to eat notice on the floor of their cabin. much kitchen waste. - Colman's Rural but the tall timepiece over the fire-

tant one and should be better known. as also should the fact that Jersey milk is easy to cream, the cream rising under very adverse conditions. The brood sow should have range fulfilled. Feed more and more as long as you When ground is well prepared less The pigs should be pushed from

old woman would have seen her preing winter, but the knowledge that

will give a good succession of fruit. Do not condemn the cow until she has failed after being well fed and cared for. Cows often do poorly because they have no opportunity to

do well. One who handles a great many colts should make a practice of haltering them when they are about one week old. Then at any time, if an accident happens, you can handle them without a struggle. Feed them sugar occasionally, and they will be gentle and follow you everywhere. It is best to wean several colts at a time; they do not get so lonesome.

World.

months old

on the place.

so she can exercise.

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cultivation will be needed.

Shorts, bran and corn meal is good feed for the sows and pigs.

the start and sold at eight or ten

If there is a wet place on the farm

drain it. It is likely the richest land

Cottonseed hulls are highly recom-

mended by the Mississippi experi-ment station for strawberry mulch.

It is impossible to plant some of all the varieties. It is best to choose only a few of the best, and such as

Home Hints. Never put salt on a steak until after it is cooked. In purchasing canned goods it is a

safe rule to observe whether the head of the can is concave, a bulging appearance being indicative of de-

directly over the bare table top. Bath bags are filled with almon meal, bran, orris root, or crushed

lavender flowers, with borax or shaved castile soap. The bag floats upon the water when not in actual Experience has shown that once a month is often enough to wash the hair. Lining the bath tub with a sheet is a comfortable device when one must use a tub that is at the ser-

vice of a number or succession of peo-A convenient pocket pincushion is readily constructed of two small rounds of cardboard covered with silk and overbanded together after a piece of wadding has been laid between them. The edge can be set thickly with pins, but here the right sort should be used. The cheap articles of home manufacture are too large for the purpose. Small English pins should be employed.

Coffee stains should be wet with cold, soft water before being put into A convenient pocket pincushion is

cold, soft water before being put into the wash, and will usually be found all right when the laundering is done. Where an especially fine damask suffers from this cause it is recommended to apply a mixture made from the solution of yolk of egg in clear water, with a few drope of wine added. Allow this solution to penetrate the fabric thoroughly, then wash out with clear, seft water, and the stain will be gone.

plants It is easily seen how soon THEY ALL WANT CLOCKS

NEGROES HELPLESS BEFORE

"Over \$60,000 has passed through

"I was about to ask who he was."

Then he must take care to prepare the land in the best manner at the responded his companion, regarding outset, and sow sufficient seed to with interested eyes the prosperous-looking person across the street. "What is his business? I always see cover the ground, allowing for any loss by imperfect seed, as is always to be guarded against, and, when he him strolling about in the most has made a good beginning, to keep the grass growing by feeding it libleisurely fashion." The man referred to was well erally with manure or fertilizers as

place can strike every hour with a this pulpit." "Indeed: said the by any clock in a more pretentious ase, and in doing this its mission is "I kin yere him strike een de night," said one old aunty in defense of her extravagance when asking her landlord's assistance in paying the clock man, to whom she had given a mortgage the previous spring on the only feather bed and all the quilts she possessed. Had not her benefactor acvanced her the money the cious and most necessary belongings "traded" for a little cotton or corn to her neighbors, and would have had nothing to comfort her during the long cold, nights of the approach-

she possessed just as fine and tall a clock as anybody of her acquaint-Tombstones, too are another necessity renderedin dispensable to the negroes by the "march of civilization." Formerly their dead were buried beneath the trees in the little tion." country graveyard-laid to rest in ome made coffins, made by friendly hands of neighbors and relatives, the grave marked by head and foot boards, simply carved, from wood; but now coffins and tomb stones, cheap and showy, must be provided out of scant incomes. The stones are common little affairs, lettered in striking black letters, which seem a mockery set up beneath the majestic pines where the dead are at rest. The negroes are peculiar in this respect. They will pay an exhorbitant sum for the tion of erecting one of these slabs, the thin white coating of which will poel off before the buyer appearance being indicative of de-composition.

Lay a thick piece of Canton fiannel under your tablecioth. Even coarse napery will look a much better qual-ity with a sub-cover than if spread If when the agent comes around they can think of anyone. no matter how long deady to whom they might put up a stone they do so, feeling a certain sense of importance when realizing that their names are printed there in the burying ground, for they always want their own names put on, no matter if the surname of the deceased relative was a different one.

> It was getting late, but Algernon Charles had not his watch with him. There was a clock on the mantel, but it was out of the range of his vision. "What time is it by that clock, Miss Bellefield?" he asked. "I can't

see it distinctly."
"Oh, that clock doesn't go," relied the maiden. "Doesn't it? Then I won't, either. And he stayed one hour and fifteen minutes longer, estimated time. -

Texas raises 1,200,000 bales of cotton, which yield nearly \$50,000,000. The cotton seed product exceeds 600,000 tons. The sugar plantations on the Brazos alone 12,000,000 pounds of sugar and 1,900,-5,000,000 sheep and clips \$5,000,000 pounds of wool. The pecan trees of Texas yield every year \$,000,000 pounds of nuts.

FOR THE LAST TIME. Locture on the Sharpaces of Trais

There is one man in New York who has learned not to display his knowledge of human nature to an unsympathetic world. How he was cured was recently told by him to the Tribune. He was traveling with his wife, and the talk drafted into a discussion of the sharpness of train newsboys. What followed is thus related: "As I told you before, I used to think that my knowledge of human nature was very deep. Well, human nature was very deep. Well, I let myself loose on this occasion and gave my wife the benefit of quite a dissertation on the subject I dwelt particularly on the fact that these newsboys become exceedingly good judges of character, and that they depended upon this faculty to a large extent to make a living in their line of business. I went so far as to assert that they could even tell, by studying a man's face pret-ty nearly what his tastes were in the matter of the books which he liked to read. This is where I got too wise. Soon after making this assertion I was sitting in the seat next in front of that ocbooks. He stopped when he reached my seat, looked at me critically for a few seconds, then pulled out a book from the bottom of the pile which he carried in his arms, and leaning over confidentially, said in a tone which unfortunately was loud enough for mp wife to hear piainly: 'This book has been suppressed.' My wife was suddenly intensely interested in an exceedingly ordinary 'andscape when I looked around at her, but I could see from her amused expression about the corners of her mouth than she had taken in the situation. You

LIFE'S KALEIDOSCOPE.

may be sure she laughed when the

boy was gone, and every time I try

to grow oracular with her she only

has to refer mysteriously to this in-

cident, when I, of course, am com-

pelled to close up as quietly as a

Several ladies of Rockland, Maine. developed bright ideas on trying to earn a dollar each for the church. One did it by digging worms for a neigh-bor's hens, another did it by spanking a neighbor's children at so much a week.

When a good wife had prepared an excellent dinner for her husband, and he had declared he was pleased with it, she said, "Well, kiss me, then." 'Oh, never mind that, my dear," his response; "the necessaries of life we must have, but the luxuries you can dispense with."

A young minister had gone to the home of his boyhood to preach, and of course the villagers were full of curiosity to hear him. At the close of the service one of the descons engaged the young preacher's wife in conversation. "It was a strange coinidence," said he, "that your husband's text was the one from which his father preached his last sermon in this pulpit." "Indeed!" said the lady. she continued, "it wasn't the say sermon." "Oh, no," said the deacon in a deprecatory manner, "his father was a dreadful smart man."

A Syracuse youngster was recently visit, and when he returned he was suffering from a bad case of enlarged cranium. He was the only boy of his size in the neighborhood who had visited the metropolis, and he felt his importance. Upon his return home, however, he found a new baby brother, who had arrived in his absence. He stood speechless before the crib for some time, and his parents began to wonder what he was thinking about, when he broke out with: "Poor baby! poor baby! Never has been anywhere but heaven and Syra-

FEMININITIES.

In Spain the infant's face is swept with a pine tree bough to bring good

Peacock feathers are being sold in the streets to mount on hand fireplace screens. Mme. Bernhardt has taken back to

Paris with her from her South American tour about 200 birds. Spiders are on sale in the West Inislands. Every housewife has a

collection for exterminating insects. Toper-What shall I take, doctor to remove the redness of my nose? Doctor—Take nothing—for three

The correct thing for a lady to use is a white linen handkerchief, hemstitched and having a monogram white embroidered in one corner.

Mrs. Sarah Kitchen, who recently departed this life at the age of 93, had been for seventy-four years the sexton of a Leicestershire, England,

She, sadly-Take back your ring. You said when we became engaged that you were the luckiest man in the world. He, taking the ring-Now I

She-I never saw such a man! never has any money but he fritters it away? He—Aren't you then afraid of marrying him? She-Oh, dear, no. After he has married me he'll never "Ahl my beloved, may I hope to

clasp you to morrow to my bosom and depict to you again our future happiness in the glowing colors of phantasy?" "No. love; not to-morrow-to-morrow is wash day."

If vaseline or butter be applied to the skin immediately after a blow of any kind there will be no discolora-tion; but to be effectual it must be used directly after the accident. The bruised feeling may be relieved by witch hazel. There are 6,335 women postmaster under the United States government

the largest number in any state, 426, being in Pennsylvania and one in Alaska. The oldest is Miss Martha E. Stone, of North Oxford, Mass., who has held her office forty-six years. Women have in various E

AN AUBURN MIRACLE.

AN ACT OF HEROISM IS POL-LOWED BY DIRE RESULTS,

the Cost of His Own-After Tones of Suffering He is Restored to Month Story as Told to a Reporter of the

(Auburn, N. T., Bulletin.) is on record that upon a chilly April day, a few years ago, an eight-year-old boy fell into the East river at the foot of East Eighth Street, New York, and when all efforts to rescue him had failed, Eugene Donnelly, at risk of his own life, plunged into the water and, when himself nearly exhausted, saved the boy from drowning. It was a humane and and self-sacrific-It was a humane and and self-sacrific-ing deed, and received deserved cora-mendation in all the newspapers. Edward Donnelly was then and is now a resident of New York City, living at the East Side House, Seventy-sixth St. and E. R., but his wife was Amanda Grantman, of Auburn, and sister Mrs. Samuel D. Corry, of No. 71 Moravia St., which gave a local interest to the

Mr. Donnelly said: "I was born in Albany N. Y.. and sm 42 years old. The greatest portion of my life I have lived in New York City. I was gen-eral foreman there of the F.A. Mulgrew Saw Mills, foot of Eighth Street, on the East river. It was on the 29th of April, 1859, that the boy fell into the river and I rescued him from drowning, but in saving his life I contracted a disease which nearly cost me my

own. "You see when I saved the boy I was in the water so long that I was taken with a deathly chill, and soon became so stiffened up and weak that I could neither work nor walk. For some time I was under treatment of Dr. George McDonald, who said I had Locomotor Ataxia. He finally said he

could do nothing for me.
"When the disease first came upon me the numbness began in my heels, and pretty soon the whole of both my feet became affected. There was a cold feeling across the small of my back and downwards, and a sense of soreness and a tight pressure on the chest. The numbness gradually extended up both my legs and into the lower part of my body. I felt that death was creep-ing up to my vitals. I was still taking the medicine ("It was Iedide of Potassium," said his wife), and was being rubbed and having plasters put all over

my body, but with no benefit. "I sent to the Chas. H. Sagar Company, the popular Auburn druggists and chemists at 109 and 111 Genesee St., and got three boxes of the Pink Pills and began taking them at once. In three weeks' time I was so improved that from being helpless I was able to help myself and to get up and go to work, and to walk every day from No. 74 Walaut St., where I then lived, to Osborne's New Twine Factory, Seymour and Cottage Streets—more than a mile—where I was then employed, but all the while I was taking Pink

"Then Dr. Patchen, of Wise a visit, began to poo-hoo at me for taking Pink Pills, and finally persuaded
me to stop taking them and to let him
treat me. When he returned to the
West he left a prescription with Dr.
Hyatt, of Auburn, who also treated me.
But their treatment did me no good,
and after a while the old trouble reand after a while the old troub turned and I was getting bad again. Then I began to take Pink Pills; have taken them ever since, am taking them now; have taken in all nearly 20 boxes at an entire cost of less than \$10.00 (my other treatment cost me a pile of money), and again I am well

and able to work. "If I was able I would at my own expense publish the virtues of Dr. Williams Pink Pills to the whole world and especially in New York City, where I am much better known than I am here."

An analysis of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills shows that they contain, in a condensed form, all the elements necessary to give new life and richness to the blood and restore shattered nerves. They are an unfailing specific for such diseases as locomotor ataxia, partial paralysis, St. Vitus' dance, sciatica, neuralgia, rheumatism, nervous head-ache, the after affect of la grippe, pal-pitation of the heart, pale and sallow complexions, all forms of weakness, either in male or female, and all discases depending on vitiated humors in the blood. Pink Pills are sold by all dealers or will be sent post paid on re-ceipt of price, (50 cents a box, or 6 boxes for \$2.50—they are never sold in bulk or by the 100) by address
Dr. Williams' Medicine Compe
Schneectady, N. Y., or Brocky

Military Use of Aluminum The German war department ordered that the cooking utendils other metallic vessels furnished the soldiers shall be made of also num. The reason given for the or is that the physical standard of men is much lower than it was be the new army law went into et and many of the men now must and many of the men now muster into the service are not able to cat the heavy loads with which the tro are burdened on the march. Also num vessels are much lighter to the iron ones hitherto used. For same reason experiments have be ordered to determine whether aluminum helmet can be deviwhich will give as much protect as the breas ones now were by troops.

The Gila me



LOVABLE GIRLS.

Girls that are fair on the hearthstone, And pleasant when nobody aces. tind aird aweet to their own folk.

The girls that are wanted are wise girls.
That know what to do and say.
That drive with a smile or a soft word.
The wrath of the household away.

The girls that are wanted are girls of sense.
Whom fashion can never deceive:
Who can follow whatever is pretty.
And dare what is silly to leave.

The ciris that are wanted are careful girls.
Who count what a thing will cost
Who use with prudent, generous hand
But see that nothing is lost.

The girls that are wanted are girls with hearts: They are wanted for mothers and wives: Wanted to cradle in loving arms. The strongest and frailest to flives.

The clever, the witty, the brilliant girl There are very few, understand But O! for the wise, loving, home girls. There's a constant and stead y demand.

A Chapter on Correspondence. It is well known that the art of letter writing is an art by itself: that it is an index of the culture of the writer and carries his personality in more ways than one. A letter may be written by a very scholarly person, who has traveled and seen much of the world, and yet fail where the letter is concerned, and, on the other band, a person may have but little education and spare observation and still excel in correspondence.

Men as a class are terse and concise on paper, and the ordinary letter does not lengthen in their case. Whole shapters can be said by the pen in a page or two, so far as they are conperned, except in the case of a love letter, when both men and women view the letter in another sense.

There is no doubt that women are more gifted as letter writers than men; they are vivacious naturally, and possess that social gayety and lightness of touch which are part of an spistle's charm. All young women delight in a voluminous correspondence. It is regarded as an important social function, and keeps them in view by those whom distance separ-

For the mere manner of the letter, every season brings us new fashions in note and letter paper. A highclass stationer mentions the Worcester, gray wove, and antique parch ment as among some of the best in vogue at the moment. The envelopes may be square or oblong as preferance dictates, with, however, a fashionable leaning toward the former.

Ruled paper betrays an ignorance longs to children and uneducated persons, who cannot write without lines. For headings of stationery tastes differ, and a considerable choice, any of which is permissible, is offered at the shops of known authorities in such matters. A crest, a coat of arms, a monogram, or merely the initials or addresses are all used, taste only stipulating there shall be nothing garish or outre. Elegance sanctions nothing like red pager with black lettering, or green and gold, or any similar dazzling combinations. A few pale tints and some slightly roughened surfaces are not objectionable, but as a rule, smooth white or cream paper is the safest choice. It may be added that there are unwritten laws of suitability in this matter, as in most things, and an exaggerated elegance and flourish of stationery on the part of persons in modest circumstances adds want of taste to waste of money.

The etiquet of letter-writing is almost without end. First, we are told that the letter sent on business should have a stamp and envelope inclosed if an answer is expected at an early date. Then every letter either of business or otherwise, should be answered promptly. It is not considered form to begin a letter with an apology for not writing, that is, expressed directly, and some particular letterwriters always slip the opening sentence about so that that pronoun "I" shall not be the opening word. Another rule is the avoidance of flourishes and eccentricities of handwrit-

Postal cards are to be employed for a business message or an inferior. In polite society their usefulness extends

There is a distinction, too, in the matter of address, "Dear Mrs Hopkins" showing a less degree of intimacy than "My Dear Mrs. Hopkins" These forms are, however, quite as often used interchangeably, such use not being regarded in the light of a heinous offense. There is a certain intuitive courtesy in the knowing when to drop the formal "Dear Sir" and "Dear Madam," a sort of recognition of one's claim to acquaintance. that is possessed by some persons and indefinably enjoyed by those to whom it is extended. It is like the bit of breeding which forstalls an introduction, where the two persons about to be introduced are perfectly well known to each other, either by sight er because, under existing circumstances, neither could be anybody

In the matter of signatures there is again an opportunity for the nice discrimination of degrees of intimacy and formality. "Very truly yours" is a shade more cordial, perhaps, than the "Very truly" of pure business, and so through "Sincerely" "Cordially," and "Faithfully " with and without the adverbs "most" and Women of tact and courtesy know how to put a pleasant warmth in their letters by just the closing of them-perhaps that is why they are college for women. Mrs. Colvin was apt to be such acceptable correspond- graduated from Mount Holyoke, and

knowing when to put it. hotel or clubhouse paper in notes of her the degree of Ph D., summa cum ceremony. To such their portfolio is laude, she having been the first wodish. And punctilious men do not I from the institution.

use office paper for social correspondence. At a friend's house or aboard a friend's yacht, however, the host's stationery is welcome. And it may be added as a final word that the punctilious guest always sends his letter to the house or yacht mail bag stamped.

Two Ways of Boing It.

Just how they began talking of compliments not one of them could have told. Probably it was when the Chatterbox told the Distressed Damsel that "some one" had said such a pretty thing about her, but she wasn't going to tell what it was or who said it. Now the chatterbox was just longing to tell both these items, so she was horribly disappointed when little Mrs. B. said:

"Taiking of pretty speeches, the pleasantest compliment that ever drifted my way I received the other day from an absolute stranger."

"Which accounts for the compli-ment," muttered the Chatterbox to her work. But then the Chattergox was cross. She had been cut short in her career of chatter.

"I was hurrying through Madison street," continued Mrs. B., "when I saw approaching me a woman whom I thought I knew. I took her for an out-of-town friend, and my pleasure at the meeting was the greater from its rarity. I hurried forward to meet her, not waiting to fairly reach her before beginning my delighted greeting. The words froze on my lips, however, as we actually met, for I saw that though the likeness was extraordinary, even at close quarters, she was not at all the person for whom I

ogy. "I beg your pardon: I thought coat, endeavored to pull him in the of survey and hesitation which subtly ously, whereat the dog immediately

The whole thing took only a breath before. see her again, of course, but I shall always remember her quick, tactful

"That reminds me," said the Chatterbox, in high, good humor again, now that she could have her innings, of a story Aunt Mary used to tell. The reminder is entirely by force of contrast. It seems that Aunt Mary saw some one she thought she knew in one of the big stores. She had not seen the particular friend she thought she saw for a long time, and started toward her with outstretched hand For some reason the woman in question thought that she knew Aunt hands met the two women discov- ever ready to respond. ered their mistake.

"'Oh,' said Aunt Mary, impressively. 'I thought it was you!' 'So did I,' replied the other, distinctly aggrieved. And then they separated, each probably thinking how stupid the other was."-Chicago Times.

The Bollan Harn.

English duchess, she caused an Æolian invitation. Having seen his companharp to be slung up close to the front ion properly cared for, he hurried door of her London home, and her vis- away as if on important business, but no one ever thought it possible that itors learned to like its plaintive when the doctor went to the stable | this weakest of weaklings would ever rushes of music so well that many a next morning he found the faithful | reach his seventy-fourth year. At one one thought of following her example creature at the stable door waiting and to take a harp unto themselves. for admission.

directions which I have culled: Take wish I could report word for word and make a box the length of your no doubt the hound inquired into his Put the box into your window and help of strong serewing pins. Tune then left -Our Animal Friends. to one note. Then pull up your sash when the wind is making itself known, and the air passing over the strings and through the holes will necessary to read; but they are very produce very charming and unexpect. few. Looking at the matter from an

ed sounds of music. Here is another and even more hole twist and thoroughly wax them: tle each end firmly to a peg and thrust the pegs down the crevices between guages and equally acceptable to the the two sashes of your southern or western windows, stretching the silk of the human family. That man is as tightly as possible. This second and uncomplicated device is the means me, no further proof of his individual of bringing you equally sweet sounds

of music as the first. The early Greeks were the inventors of the Eolian harp, and there were more wonderful they are, the more few Athenian gardens without a tree among whose branches there was not slung a harp fashioned in the way I

have done my best to describe. Flour Griddle Cakes.

One quart of sweet milk, two eggs. one teaspoonful of salt, one tablespoonful of butter melted in the milk. one gill of yeast, or quarter of a yeast cake, and flour enough to make a smooth batter. Make in the morning and they will be ready for tea.

Women Everywhere.

Princess Louise and the marquis of Lorne have purchased a villa at St dual nature—the imagination and the Catherine's on the shore of Loch Fyne, The engagement is announced in

Boston of Miss Olea Bull, daughter of utterly independent of time, place Ole Bull, to Mr. Henry J. Vaughn, a and manners. Harvard '90 man, engaged in the study of law.

Mrs. Rae, widow of Dr. John Rae, the Arctic explorer, has presented her husband's collection of Arctic and is the invariable result of a purely other curlosities to the university of intellectual culture. These four books Edinburgh.

the department of neglected children, are ideally represented. They can which is superintended by J. J. Kelso, therefore never be displaced. whose duty it is to find suitable homes for unprotected children.

The executive committee of the Western Reserve university has appointed Mrs. Mary Noyes Colvin professor of romance languages in the nts-and they rarely err, either, in after studying and teaching several years she entered for a degree at the Punctilious persons, either men or university of Zurich. In February, women, never avail themselves of 1888, that university bestowed uson almost as individual as their soap man to receive the doctor's degree



GARDEN AND CRADLE. When our babe he goeth walking in his garden. Around his tinkling feet the sunbeams play:

Around his tinkling feet the sunbeams play.

Around his tinkling feet the sunbeams play.

The posies they are good to him.

And bow them as they should to him.

As fareth he upon his kingly way:

And birdlings of the wood to him.

Make music, gentle music all the day.

When our babe he goeth walking in his carden.

When our babe he goeth swinging in his cradie,
Then the night it looketh ever sweetly down:
The little stars are kind to him
The moon she hath a mind to him
And layeth on his head a goiden crown:
And singeth then the wind to him
A song, the gentle song of Hethlehem town,
When our babe he goeth swinging in his cradie
—Eugene Field

A Dog's Charlty.

Late in the afternoon of a raw day in November, as a doctor alighted from his carriage at the door of his stable, after a long drive over frostbound country roads, he was somewhat startled by the sudden appearance of a hound, which trotted up to had taken her.

'Oh,' I said, with a smile of apol- him by the skirt of his long driving you were a friend of mine.' She direction of a shed adjoining the stable smiled, too, and then, after a second The doctor remonstrated rather vigor pointed the remark, said, with a released his hold, but instead of run graceful bow and an air of breeding, ning away retreated in good order wish I were, madam, and passed towards the shed, whence he presently reappeared, and tugged at the coat as

to do, though it has taken several to Having freed the horse from the tell, and she was out of hearing al- shafts of his buggy, the doctor went most before I could rally and call into the house for a lantern; as he Thank you' after her. I shall never came out of the house the hound again approached and repeated his previous performances. This time. greatly to the creature's delight, the doctor followed him into the shed; and there, in a remote corner, stretched at full length upon his side, and evidently in a condition of exhaustion, lay what is known as a "coach-dog" - a short-haired animal of medium size, whose coat is thickly covered with black and white spots.

By the light of the lantern the doctor looked the poor fellow over carefully, and soon found the cause of his break-down in torn and bleeding feet that made travel impossible. Here Mary too, and came to meet her was a charity case indeed; and to such equally delighted. Almost as their appeals of charity the physician is

A comfortable bed of straw and a cleansed, annointed with a soothing cintment and wrapped in bandages. the hound looking on meanwhile with every manifestation of interest and Among the other bright ideas of an his canine friend, but he declined the

If you wish to manufacture an When he was permitted to enter, he Eolian harp at home here are some went straight to the patient, and I little things done for him which bables some wood a quarter of an inch thick what passed between the two. I have window frame, five inches deep and friend's condition, congratulated him seven inches wide. Now bore some upon having found an asylum in his holes in a circle near what will be the extremity, and, in reply to expressions upper side of the back of the box. of gratitude and obligation, protested that he had done no more than any secure two bridges, just like fiddle self-respecting dog would do in the bridges-one to each end, stretching same circumstances. He remained across strings of fine catgut, with the about the stable for half an hour and

Indispensable Authors.

There are certain books which it is esthetic point of view merely, I should say that thus far only one man had ple method. Take pieces of button- been able to use types so universal, and to draw figures so cosmopolitan, that they are equally true in all lanwhole Indo European branch, at least, existence than this very fact of the solitary unapproachableness of the "Hiad" and the "Odyssey." likely to be the work of one person. Nowhere is the purely natural man presented to us so nobly and sincerely

as in these poems. Not far below these I should place the "Divina Commedia" of Dante, in which the history of the spiritual man is sketched with equal command of material and grandeur of outline. "Don Quixote" stands upon the same level and receives the same universal appreciation. Here we have the spiritual and the natural man set before us in humorous contrast. In the knight and his squire Cervantes has typified the two opposing poles of our understanding as they appear in contradiction. This is 'the only comprehensive satire ever written, for it is

Faust gives us the natural history of the human intellect. Mephistopheles being merely the projected impersonation of that skepticism which are the only ones in which universal Toronto, Canada, has an office called facts of human nature and experience

> I have not mentioned Shakespeare, because his works come under a different category. Though they mark the very highest level of human genins, they yet represent no special epoch in the history of the individual mind the man of Shakespeare is always the man of actual life as he is acted upon by the worlds of sense and of spirit under definite conditions. We all of us may be in the position of Macbeth or Othello or Hamlet, and we appreciate their sayings and deeds potentially, so to speak, rather than actually. through the sympathy of our common mature and not of our experience .- | ford Post.

Essay in the Century Magazine.

What Dreamers Hear.

A lawyer who had been overworked rose in his sleep, went into the hall of his house and discharged a pistol. The household hurried to the place and found him at the head of the stairway, awake, but much bewildered. He had dreamed of burglars and had gone to attack them. One member of the family slept through the noise. When he came into the dining room-before he heard the events of the night-he complained that his sleep had been much disturbed.

He had dreamed that he had been condemned to be shot, that he had been led to the place of execution and had fallen senseless when the guns were fired, says Kate Field's Washington. A lady dreamed that a man came into her room, poured some water into a basin, carried the splashing water to her bedside and began to sprinkle it over her. She awoke and heard a loud splashing. At first she was motionless with fear, but presently she lighted a candle and went to the basin, where she found a mouse making frantic efforts to get out of the water. Another dreamed that she had

severe earache; that she rose, unlocked the door that separated her room from one in which two children slept and went to a shelf where there was a lotion which she applied to her ear. When she awoke she found herself in her own bed and without pain. The door was still locked, but in a few minutes one of the children began to cry that his ear ached, and she rose and went to the shelf for the lotion. A young man dreamed that he was in his office busy with a troublesome estimate when a wo nan came in with a screaming baby and began to walk rapidly up and down the room, so that it was impossible for the calculator to remember his figures. Presently the woman thrust the child into his arms, and he was so startled by this that he awoke. But the screams still troubled

trying to quiet a crying child. Several years after the death of her husband a widow, lying awake one night, recalled vividly some scenes of her husband's last illness. Presently her daughter, who was beside her, awoke and said: "Oh, mamma, have been going over in my dreams all the scenes of papa's last illness." She then told her dream, in which the scenes were almost the counterpart of those that had been recalled by her

his ears, for a mother in a neighbor-

ing room was walking about vainly

Born Without Muscles.

Charles Tolley, who recently died in Delaware at the age of seventy-three years, was born without muscles, and for a year after his birth it was thought that he would never be able to move or speak. He could not cry like other children, and his expresgood supper were quickly provided sions of pain or discomfort, which are for the sufferer. His feet were then made known by vigorous yells by made known by vigorous yells by other babies, only brought from him

a kind of noise that sounded inhuman. That he could hear was evident and when less than a year old there was pleasure. He was invited by the hos- an expression in and about his eyes pitable doctor to spend the night with that was more eloquent and effective to those who saw him than any outcry could be. The baby was a source of wonder to the country folk about and year of age the boy had never lifted his hand from the pillow on which he lay, and when he was dressed or other must have done, he was literally as limber as a rag. At 12 years of age the only suggestion of locomotion the

boy had ever made was a sort of dragging himself forward on the ground It was about this time that the boy first began to show indications of that marvelous will power which carried him through a long life and enabled him to see his boyhood's friends, who were of sturdy mould, drop one by one and go to the grave while he lived

on. He never spoke a word in his life. He had a way of expressing himself which his friends learned to understand, but to a stranger the noise which came from his mouth had a startling and frightful effect.

As he grew older, by great will power he was, after many years of practice, enabled to stand upright and remain standing by a great effort Later he was able to make progress with his feet, but his going forward was a tottering, faltering motion which seemed as if he would fall at every step if his efforts could be called a step at all. As he grew to young manhood he had a good appetite and he made fiesh and bone, but no muscle. He was as big as the average man of his age and would weigh as much. He lived with his

parents. Arrange the players in a circle and appoint a leader. The leader must then tell each one to play (in fancy) on some special musical instrument. such as the harp, trombone, flute, vio-lin, base viol, jewsharp, concertina, cornet, drum, etc., also selecting one for himself. He then announces that he wishes to drill them on a certain tune, say, for example, "Home, Sweet Home." At his signal they all commence to play, each imitating as well and lots of laughter. Suddenly the leader drops his own kind of music and starts up with the instrument of some other player, who must take up the one he left. If he does not observe the change, the leader calls out: "Forfeit!"

What's on the Paper.

This must be played with a person who does not know the trick. Tell the guests that you will undertake to do a little "mind-reading." Ask someone to write anything he likes on a piece of paper. Take the paper, roll it up, and after a few passes of the head, say: "Now drop the paper on the middle of the floor, and to show you how fair I am you may actually stand on the paper with both feet." After a few mysterious motions and a moment of silence turn to the person and say: "You are on paper, are you not?"

A Short Cake.

It was in the South school the other day that the scholars were asked to write a sentence which should contain the pronoun "I," and a small for some people and free trade colored pupil perpetrated this: "My mother made a shortcake It was so short I didn't get any of it."—Hart-

James Russell Lowell's Posthumous TABERNACLE PULPIT

DR. TALMAGE PREACHES ABOUT POVERTY.

After Delivering Three Thousand Pounds of Meat and Two Thousand Loaves of Bread to the Hungry Ones of Brooklyn the Divine Gives Some Good Advice

BROOKLYN, N. Y., Jan. 7, 1894.-It seemed appropriate that Dr. Talmage should preach this sermon after his personal contribution of 5,000 pounds of meat and 2,000 insurance company that was ever estimated in the sermon and all other translated by helping others. I am an agent or the oldest insurance company that was ever estimated in the sermon and the sermon through through the sermon t pounds of meat and 2,000 loaves of bread to the poor who gathered shivering in the cold around the bakery and meat store of Brooklyn, where the food was distributed with-out tickets, and no recommendation required except hunger. The text and Descending Scales of Premium, and was: Matthew 26: ii: "Ye have the Tontine, and it pays up while you live

never ewned anything during his a poor man or woman, every shoe you earthly stay. His cradle and his grave give to a bare foot, every stick of were borrowed. Every fig he ate was from some one else's tree. Every drop of water he drank was from some one one else's tree. Every drop of water he drank was from some one of water he drank was from some one of hope you make to shine over unelse's well. To pay his personal tax, which was very small, only thirty-one and a quarter cents, he had to perform a miracle and make a fish pay it. All the heights and depths and lengths and breadths of poverty Christ measured in his earthly experience, and when he comes to speak of destitution, he always speaks sympathetically, what he said then is as true now;

have the poor always with you." For 6,000 years the bread question has been the active and absorbing question. Witness the people crowd ing up to Joseph's storehouse in Egypt. Witness the famine in Samaria and Jerusalem. Witness the 7,000 hungry people for whom Christ multiplied the loaves. Witness the uncounted millions of people now living, who, I believe, have never yet had one full meal of healthful and nutritious food in all their lives. Think of the 354 great famines in England. Think of the 25,000,-000 people under the hoof of hunger year before last in Russia. The failure of the Nile to overflow for seven years in the eleventh century left those regions depopulated. Plague of in-sects in England. Plague of rats in Madras presidency. Plague of mice in Essex. Plague of locusts in China. Plague of grasshoppers in America. Devastation wrought by drought, by deluge, by frost, by war, by hurricane, by earthquake, by comets flying too sear the earth, by change in the management of national finances, by baleful causes innumerable. I proceed to give you three or four reasons why my text is markedly and graphically true

In this year 1894. The first reason we have always the poor with us, is because of the perpetual everhauling of the tariff question, or, as I shall call it, the tariffic controversy. There is a need for such a word and so I take the responsibility of manufacturing it. There are mil-lions of people who are expecting that the present congress of the United States will do something one way or good deeds will augment the sum of the other to end this discussion. But eternal felicities. Yes, the time will authors for many reasons, says the it will never end. When I was five come when the banks of largest capital Kindergarten Magazine. In the first father and his neighbors in vehement discussion of this very question. It was high tariff or low tariff or no tariff at all. When your great-grandchild dies at 90 years of age, it will probably be from over-exertion in discussing the tariff. On the day the world is destroyed, there will be three men standing on the postoffice stepsone a high tariff man, another a low tariff man, and the other a free tariff man - each one red in the face from excited argument on this subject. Other questions may get quieted, the Mormon question, the silver question, the pension question, the civil service question. All questions of annexation may come to peaceful settlement by the annexation of islands two weeks voyage away and the heat of their volcanoes conveyed through pipes under the sea made useful in warming our continent, or annexation of the moon, dethroning the queen of night, who is said to be dislute, and bringing the lunar popuations under the influence of our free institutions; yea all other questions, national and international, may be settled, but this tariffic question, never It will not only never be settled, but it can never be moderately quiet for more than three years at a time, each party getting into power taking one of the four years to fix it up, and then the next party will fix it down. Our finances cannot get well because too many doctors. It is dividuals. Here is a man terribly diserdered as to his body. A doctor is called in, and he administers a febrifuge, a spoonful every hour. But recovery is postponed, and the anxious friends call in another doctor, and he says: "What this patient needs is blood letting; now roll up your sleeve!" and the lancet finance. But

still recovery is postponed, and a homeopathic doctor is called in, and he administers some small pellets, and he was 5 feet 4 inches; at 13, 6 feet 1 says; "All the patient wants is rest." Recovery still postponed, the family say that such small pellets can not amount to much anyhow, and an alloas possible his own instrument. Of course this creates a wonderful noise and lots of laughter. Suddenly the and jalap." Recovery still postponed. a hydropathic doctor is called in, and he says: "What this patient wants is hot and cold baths, and he must have them right away. Turn on the faucet and get ready the shower baths." Recovery still postponed, an eclectic doctor is called in, and he brings all the schools to bear upon the poor sufferer, and the patient, after a brave struggle for life, expires. What killed him? Too many doctors. And that is what is killing our national finances. My personal friends, Cleve-land and Harrison and Carlisle and McKinley and Sherman, as talented and lovely and splendid men as walk the earth, all good doctors, but their treatment of our languishing finances is so different that neither treatment has a full opportunity, and under the constant changes it is simply wonderful that the nation still lives. The tariff question will never be settled because of the fact, which I have never heard any one recognize, but, neverthe-

tainty, and that uncertainty results in poverty and wretchedness for a vast multitude of people. If the eternal gab on this subject could have been fashioned into loaves of bread, there would not be a hungry man or woman or child on all the planet. To the end of time, the words of the text will be kept true by the tariffic controversy, 'Ye have the poor always with you. Remember a fact that no one empha-sizes, a fact, nevertbeless, upon which

I want to put the weight of an eternity of tonnage, that the best way of tablished. It is near three thousand years old. It has the advantage of all the other plans of insurance: Whole Life Policy, Endowment, Joint-Life and Survivorship Policies, Ascending and Descending Scales of Premium, and poor always with you."

and it pays up after you are dead. Every
Who said that? The Christ who cent you give in a Christian spirit to fostunate maternity, every mitten you knit for cold fingers, is a payment on the premium of that policy. I hand about five hundred million policies to all who will go forth and aid the un-fortunate. There are only two or three lines in this policy of life in-surance. Psalms 41: i, "Blessed is he that considereth the poor; the Lord will deliver him in time of trouble."

Other life insurance companies may fail, but this Celestial life insurance company never. The Lord God Almighty is at the head of it, and all the angels of heaven are in its board of direction, and its assets are all worlds, and all the charitable of earth and heaven are the beneficisries. "But," says some one, "I do not like a Tontine policy so well, and that which you offer is more like a Tontine and to be chiefly paid in this life." "Blessed is he that considereth the poor; the Lord will delives him in time of trouble." Well, if you prefer the old-fashioned policy of life insurance, which is not paid till after death, you can be accommodated. That will be given you in the day of judgment, and will be handed you by the right hand, the pierced hand of our Lord himself, and all you do in the right spirit of the poor is pay-ment on the premium of that life insurance policy. I read you a para- we call a pure kindergarten story, graph of that policy: "Then shall the draws out the child himself, uncov-Come ye blessed of my Father, for I was hungered and ye gave me meat, was thirsty and ye gave me drink, I life or science (to which he is listenwas a stranger and ye took me in,
maked and ye clothed me.'" In various colors of ink other life insurance thing he touches prophesies a story policies are written. This one I have just shown you is written in only one kind of ink, and that red ink, the blood of the cross. Blessed be God, that is a "paid up policy," paid for by the pangs of the Son of God, and all we add to it in the way of our own surance companies will all go down, and the life insurance companies will all go down. In the last great earthquake all the cities will be prostrated, and as a consequence all banks will forever suspend payment. In the last confiagration the fire insurance companies of the earth will fail, for how could they make appraisement of the loss on a universal habitants of the round world will surrender their mortal existence, and how could life insurance companies pay for depopulated hemispheres? But our Celestial life insurance will not be harmed by that continental wreck, or that hemispheric accident, or that planetary catastrophe. Blow it out

fire? Then all the infike a candle-the noon-day sun! Tear it down like worn-out upholstery-the last sunset! Toss it from God's finger like a dewdrop from the anther of a water-lily-the ocean! Scatter them like thistledown before a schoolboy's breath-the worlds! That will not disturb the omnipotence or the composure or the sympathy or the love of that Christ who said it once on earth. and will say it again in heaven to all those who have been helpful to the downtrodden and the cold and the hungry and the houseless and the lost: "Inasmuch as ye did it to them, ye did An Antipodean Glaut.

Wales, youth by the name of McLean. He is now 17 years and a few months old and weighs in the neighborhood of 300 pounds. He is not a "human mountain of fat," a "mouster of obesity," or anything of that sort, but is a well-proportioned young man of surpassing stature and great height. On his seventeenth birthday he measured 8 feet and 3; inches, and if he inch; at 14, 6 feet 9 inches; at 15, 7 feet 1} inches; at 16, 7 feet 8 inches, and at 17, 8 feet 8; inches, as mentioned above. Length of Life Among Women.

One of the human wonders of the

South Seas is a Victoria, New South

It appears, according to the regis-tration report of Massachusetts, that nearly twice as many women as men in that state live to be over 80 years of age. This is accounted for by the greater exposure of men to accidents, to weather agencies, to the constant strain of business life, to the anxiety of providing for the family, all of which tend to shorten the life of men. The deaths by accident among men are more than threefold greater than among women and men commit suicide in about a threefold ratio as compared with women

Not a Swindler.

Daughter-That man who advertised all the latest popular songs for \$1 is a swindler. Old Man-Eh? Didn't he

anything for your money? I'll report him to the authorities at once. ..Yes, he sent the latest popular songs, just as advertised, but they were only the words. No music at all. I can read them, of course, but I can't sing them."

"My dear, that man is not a swindler. He is a philanthropist'

WHAT THEY HEAD.

3 Little Talk on Literature for the Little People. "There is nothing too good for the children." is the rule of the kinder-

garten. Without a thought we buy a motley array of books bad in color, lacking purpose, and empty of interest when the novelty is worn off.

We cannot too young lead the do it without prejudice; or, as some one has said, "with as few adjectives us possible." Here are a few rules for gift-book giving to children:
A gift book should bear a "gift

thought." Courtesy and friendship demand that a gift be preserved and cherished; therefore give books worthy of it. especially to a child.

Give a book that shall embody your peculiar interest or ideal; in thus giving you give yourself somewhat.

Give all the worth and quality you can afford to give, and no more, and let the receiver feel that you have chosen with care and love; it may be the single seed for the planting of a library.

A child's book should be simple. joyous, and full of living truth, and such a book when found can be described as good from the earliest years forward, and the mother will enjoy each word of it as much as her youngest listener, There are few books but are the

better for being lovingly read in communion with mother, and books prepared from the kindergarten point of view are deep enough, sweet enough, and true enough to engross the old as well as the young.

What is the difference between kindergarten literature and other literature? It is simply this:

Stories and verses ordinarily "dished up" to a child are of a quality which covers over the young impressionable mind with a haze of sentimentalism and weak purposes. The usual story is about other children who are especially charming or witty, and the precious listener must sit and envy his bright story-boy and wonder if he too could ever be put into a story. The bulk of all so-called child literature serves as a blanket to cover and chill the faculties, and often worse than thatplants a craving for sensationalism which is unsatiable, and which the usual author and publisher are only too glad to foster if parents are bling enough to help them. What we call a pure kindergarten story. ling say unto them on his right hand, ers his latent wonderment and imagination, shows him how every truth contained in a certain phase of in a myriad different was; every-thing he touches prophesies story if he but put the right questions his mother or kindergarten instructor. Each story of to-day has a dozen tendrils, by which it clings to the story of yesterday and suggests an untold wealth of pleasure for to-

morrow when story-hour comes. We recommend special books or ace, we seek out such authors have had the actual contact with children and their needs. One who merely writes for pay because some publisher thinks she has a graceful pen and her stories take, is hardly a producer of such intellectual food as is to form the lasting taste of the coming generation. One might almost be forgiven in saying: "When you hear of anyone spoken of as an author for children. let suspicion overcome you; such are mostly a de-

lusion and a snare and mere diluters of language." Of bible stories the same may be said, look out for their interpreter. Children do not need their truths diluted. They can take them stronger than even one who has grown away from the simple and real. It is a much better plan to read the Christstory directly with the children and have little talks together concerning those passages which seem obscure. And pray let us beg of you never to draw the moralistic conclusions for the babes, lest they learn the pratings of the lesson rather than the im-

them credit for a greater discernment than ours. Again this same rule holds good with the classics also. Never fear to give children the direct contact with them. Great are the results, often to an older person who has the patience to carry with him a babe as he peruses perhaps for the twentieth time

pressive deeds of their greatest ex-

imple. Remember, even Christ gave

the rare simplicities of Homer. After all we must confess that the home reading and atmosphere of thought is of the most importance. Do we always realize that our daily household conversations are largely the first literature of the child? that our every-day reverence is all it knows of religion? that the purity of our love, the righteousness of common deeds is all it knows of God?

Two Played at That Game.

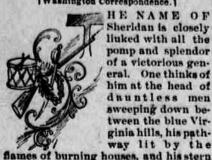
James Payn tells of a man who traveling on business over the Birkshire Downs in his gig, dined at an inn when the conversation fell upon knights of the road, at one time often found in those parts. He had a sharp country boy traveling with him, and after dinner, he came to his master, saying "Please, sir, I heard those gentlemen saying among themselves as how they meant to stop you and I upon the downs to night and fright-en we a bit." "Very good," he said; "we will fill the gig with the very worst eggs we can get." And when our four masked horsemen rode up to the gig side that night and demanded "Your money or your life." of its occupants, they received, very literally, an ovation. - Argonaut.

Did Not Make Any Difference. Admiral Sir Henry Keppel, while holding the post of port admiral, was coming out of the dockyard one evening, in plain clothes, when he was roughly jostled by a sailor in liquor. Irate at no apology being offered. Sir Henry stopped the man and asked im if he knew whom he was running against "Np; no; I don't care." re-pliet Jack. "I'm Sir Henry Keppel; I'm port admiral." "Ab." drunken one, "damued nice billot you've got," and staggered in -

AN ... HONORED NAME later years of his lie fine met many THE TRAVELING TRAMP

THE CHILDREN.

Reside in the Quiet Home at Wash ington and in View of the Great father. He attends school here in Warrior's Tomb in Famous Arling-



him at the head of gayeties." dauntless men tween the blue Vir ginia hills, his pathflames of burning houses, and his stern hand carrying havee and destruction.

But when one sees the pretty home where he passed his last days, his young widow and her family of happy children, somehow the picture changes. The smoke-grimed warrior's face seems by a kindly touch transformed into loving tenderness. Up on the green summit of Arlington the dead soldier lies surrounded by his sleeping men. And down in the beautiful city below are those who will take his name of deathless fame down to an admiring posterity.

The Sheridan home is the only house

in a triangular lot formed by the intersection of several streets with an avenue, and the situation is one of the most desirable in town. In the immediate neighborhood are many of the prominent senators and foreign minisbuilding is large and broken up into artistic architecture that relieves its in the trim, dark-robed little woman. into all shapes and quaint corners that enhance their picturesqueness.

and prominent among its ornaments Europe.

left of the door stands a marble bust

of the general, a large, life-size paint-

ing hangs on the wall, and, resting on

a wooden support, is a beautiful silver-

mounted saddle, made for the general

in Mexico. The floor is covered with

rich rugs, and the rich hangings and

pretty ornaments lend it an air of

On the right is a cozy dining-ro

others engravings, and on a handsome

stand near the window is a striking

bronze. It represents "Sheridan's Ride"

and pictures a leaping horse whose

rider waves his hat over a face gleam

Mrs. Sheridan is the queen of this

pretty home, and when seated one afternoon this week in her parlor it

was like listening to a new page in our country's history when she told of her famous husband. "I met Gen. Shcri-

'army girl' all my life, having been born on the frontier between the

United States and Mexico. But I was

educated east. I can not remember

the war, being too young at that time.

for the general was many years my

ing with the frenzy of battle.

former foes, whom he esteemed highly And it speaks well for our country CEN. SHERIDAN'S WIDOW AND that old animosities seem forgotten and the most prominent positions in our government are held by old

> town, but my two girls go to Eton Hall, near Philadelphia, where they are being educated by the sisters— you know we are Catholics. Eton Hall is near the convent recently erected by Miss Drexel, now Mother Sheridan is closely Katherine, for the education of negro liuked with all the and Indian children. I have lived a pomp and splendor great deal in Washington, and am fond of a victorious gen- of the capital and its society, though I eral. One thinks of do not take a very active part in its

> One can easily see that Mrs. Sheridan sweeping down be could not remember the war, for it is



very evident that thirty-five years have not passed over her head, and in her pretty face and slender figure one sees all the charms and graces of youth.

Her hair is dark and stylishly arranged about her white brow. Dark ters' mansions, and the giddy whirl of gray eyes look out smilingly from a social life reaches its vortex in this dainty patrician face and her whole center of wealth and fashion. The ex- sir is one of ease and refluement. Her terior is of plain red brick, but the manners are quiet and composed, but one can see that there is no lack of fire plainness. Within the rooms are cut Ina word, she is worthy of the great name she bears.

A three-eyed girl of rare beauty is The hall is handsomely decorated, said to be a coming sensation in case in point. He's been in at least a

WHEN ON THE ROAD.

Accidents Had no Terror for Him-He Could Grin and Bear Anything That Turned Up-Had Come Out of a Dozen smash-Ups Without a scratch.

"Yes, a tramp is killed in' a railroad accident now and then." the freight conductor, "but it may

"You carry a good many on the deadhead list, I suppose?" queried

"Well, it's so, and the railroad tramp feels himself head and shoulders above the other; one rides in his carriage, so to say, while the other sloshes through mud or dust. We were speaking, however, of tramps being killed on the road. A week ago I saw by the papers that a wellknown tramp called 'Railroad Pete' had been killed down near Dayton. I didn't believe it, and it wasn't an hour ago that I met him down in the

ville two years ago?" "I believe there was one." "You can be sure there was! was running a train of forty-two cars, half of them 'empties.' when the engine struck a car which had rolled on to the main track from a siding. That was what you might call a jim dandy accident. Twentynine cars left the track and the kindling wood was piled thirty feet high. The engineer was killed outright, the fireman fatally injured and three of my brakemen never knew what hurt 'em. I got off light, but it was three months in the hospital. Railroad Pete was right in the center of that wreck, and it was eighteen hours be-

the big accident down near Monroe-

even a bruise oe him!" "But he can't always escape." "I dunno about that. I know of his having been thrown off a train twice and landing right side up. Two or three times he has jumped off at stations where he didn't stop, and after knocking down fences and uprooting trees, has escaped even a busted suspender. One night, down near Toledo, he got to fighting with and was knocked off by a bridge. The other man was run over and cut into strings, while Pete landed in a snow-bank and reached town only forty minutes behind schedule time. Down here at Trenton one night about a year ago he was manœuvring around to get a ride on my train when the express picked him

"And he wasn't killed?" "Killed! Why, when half a dozen men went after his body they couldn't find it! As soon as he half circle to strike my train and get a front seat. I believe he complained that one of his knees was a bit stiff for a week or so, but that was all. Kill old Railroad Pete! It

country. Satisfactory Reason. Weekly, are you, Jrobinson?

"Yes; I run the whole thing." "Why don't you change its name then , to something with a more civ-

ilized sound about it?"

The Beggar's Journal.

constructed a very ingenious "celestial clock," which was exhibited at the first nomical society. The entire face of the clock rotates under a wire bar repst quiet of men. His voice was resenting the equatorial horizon and and subdued, his manner as gentle is regulated to perform one revolution woman's. In fact, he was a very in twenty-three hours fifty-six minstie man, fond of his home and utes four seconds, this being the time voted to his children, and, while the in which the earth turns once upon its ental ploture many have formed is axis. The apparent annual motion of at of a bold, dashing warrior he sun, moon and planets in the opposite

RAILROAD PETE HAS LUCK

be set down as an act of Providence. In other words, it is the tramp who seems to have nineteen chances out of twenty of coming off without a

the Detroit Free Press man.

"I don't suppose that a freight train enters or leaves Detroit which hasn't from two to ten tramp passengers on the bumpers," he replied. "The last thing before pulling out, we go along the train and drive them off, but they are tack in place again before the train is under way. Now and then I've had a tramp killed on my train, but he was a second-class tramp and new to the railroad business. There are two species of him. as you probably know—the railroad tramp and the highway tramp." "No, I didn't know that."

yards looking for a Chicago freight. "Did you ever carry him on any

of your runs?"
"Did I? Weil, I should whistle for a cow on the track! I'll bet money Pete has traveled 25,000 miles on my trains, and I'll bet more money that he goes out with me to night. He is a dozen smash-ups and never got a scratch. Five years ago, when I first met him, we struck a farmer's team at a crossing and had fourteen cars piled into the ditch. About the last thing the wrecking crew came to as they cleared away the debris was Kailroad Pete, but he didn't even have his nose skinned where four of my crew were killed. Six months later my train went through a bridge and two men were killed and eight cars smashed to kindling wood. Pete was down at the bottom, as usual, and I believe he got his foot hurt that time. Do you remember

fore they got him out. He hadn't

up. Say, if he wasn't thrown twenty feet high and a hundred feet out into a garden you may call me a

liar!" struck he jumped up and made might be done with a gun or axe. but he can't be gathered to his fath ers by any sort of railroad accident we know anything about in this

you're editing Slappinger's

"Control all the departments, don't

"Why-why, you see old Slappin ger owns seventy-five per cent of the

The most curious of all class journals is surely the Beggar's Journal of Paris, which is published daily and gives its subscribers a complete

list of baptisms, weddings and funerals to take place the same day. Begging letter writers are provided for by a special section, which gives the arrivals and departures of persons of known charitable tendencies. Teacher-You were not at school

Tommy-No, my father needed me Teacher-Why? Tommy-To give me a licking.

Texas Siftings. Chinese Birthdays. In computing the age the Chinese always reckon back two years from the celebration of the first birthday. WHY HANK WAS NOT HANGED. Insisted on Having a Biled Shirt and

They Couldn't Supply It. When Hank Taylor was put on trial at Strawberry Hill for killing Steve Brown, says the Anaconda, Mont., Standard, he pleaded guilty, and in a little speech to the crowd he said:

"In course you'll hang me. I expeet it, and shall be disappointed if you don't. But I want it understood

Pight now that I hev rights." "What be them rights, prisoner?" queried Bill Totten, who was acting

"Waal, I want to be hung with a new rope. I was brought up respectably and I want to die that way. Then I want to wear a biled shirt. I was brung up to wear biled shirts, and I don't want to disgrace the fam'ly. I want to be shaved, to have my hair combed and parted in the middle, and I insist on Zeke Cooper lendin' me his new butes. That's my rights, and I shall insist on 'em.' Prisoner, han't you just a little

good deal of extra trouble for no real benefit? Whar are we goin to get a biled shirt, for instance?" "I dunno, but we hev got to hev one. Do you s'pose I'm goin' to bring up in the other world with this old red shirt on? They wouldn't allow me to stake a claim or set up a shanty.

too partik'lar?" inquired the judge.

"Han't it puttin' this 'ere camp to a

"How are you goin' to be shaved when we han't got no razors in There was no further develop-We kin furnish you some grease and a comb, but thar can't be no shavin'."

"Got to be." replied Hank. "I han't goin' over the divide lookin' like a wolf with his winter fur on. And as fur grease, I want reg'lar bar's ile. I am bound to look just as purty as I kin."

"Zeke, will you lend him your butes?" asked the judge. "Naw. I could never feel easy in

'em agin.' "Then I don't hang!" retorted the prisoner. "Mind you, boys, I han't denying that I killed Steve, whom everybody knows was a provokin', cantankerous cuss and orter been killed long age, and I han't kickin'as to what will follow. I'm jest stickin' out fur my rights. S'posin' any one o' you was goin' to arrive in the other world as a tenderfoot, wouldn't you wan't to look fairly decent?"

"That's so, that's so," mused the judge. "In course it'll be known that you cum from Strawbury Hill and in course we'll hev a pride in. fittin' you out in decent shape. The prisoner will be removed while wo

We had a talk. We couldn't get a white shirt, a new rope and a razor anywhere within 100 miles. And, as Hank had observed, Steve Brown was always saying mean things and provoking quarrels and wasn't much account. After discussing the pros and cons it was decided to overlook the offense and let up on Hank, but after telling him our decision the

judge said: "But don't do it again. Hank. It are the opinyun of some of the boys that you were too darned particklar about the biled shirt, and of others that you were right about wantin' to make a decent appearance on the other shore, and so we decided to call it squar'. Next time, however, we'll hang you with a mule rope and in yer old duds and let ye run all the

"Wall, boys, an it to suit yourselves and it'll suit me," carelessly replied the prisones, and court was adjourned and we teturned to work.

It may surprise many readers to know that any observance of the old English pope day, or Guy Fawkes day, is held in our own day in America, yet such is the case. Bonfires are still lighted on the 5th of November in New England coast towns by boys who have not the slightest notion of the exciting and picturesque event in English history and the old time English holiday that they thus commemorate. In Newburyport, Mass., it still is celebrated, and in Portsmouth, N. H., and Newcastle, N. H. In the latter town it is called "pork night," an absurd and meaningless corruption of night It is not many years since chill November 5ths in Gloucester and Marblehead saw "Guy Fawkes" bonfires on every hill. - Independent.

Mrs. Ruskin had never any hesitation in speaking her mind. A certain clever young man was in the habit of regaling the company with extravagant tales after dinner, but

the old lady would throw down her knitting and exclaim: "How can you two sit there and listen to such a pack of lies?" When this lady of the "old school"

died her son was left "with a surprising sense of loneliness." He had loved her truly, obeyed her strictly and tended her faithfully. He buried her in his father's grave and wrote

"Here, beside my father's body, l have laid my mother's; nor was dearer earth ever returned to earth. nor purer life recorded in heaven.

Policeman, on Stony Island avenue-Hi, there, hayseed, what are you settin' there on the sidewalk fur? Uncle Joshua-I'm waitin' for a man who wanted to take my watch to jeweier's to see if some dern' scamp didn't swindle me on it.-Chicago

"John," said his wife. "What are you doing?" "Figuring." he replied "Figuring on what?"
"On which we can better afford to

do-buy coal or use the parlor furni-ture for fuel."-Washington Star.

Colored Pedagogue-Whaffor you holdin' on ter yer jaw?

"Luff go dat jaw. Don't de poick say: let jaw be ouconfined?"-Texas

to prevent its fraying or tarulaning

Her Resources, Advantages, Progress and Future Prospects.

lopography, Water, Soil, Products, Shi ping Points, Railroads Public Schools and Mill Facilities.

Haskell county is situated in the southetn part of the Panhandle on the line of the one hundredth meridian west from Greenwich. It is 1500 feet above the sea, and has mild winters and summers. It is thirty miles square and contains 576,000 acres of land. It was created in 1858 from a part of Fannin and Milam counties. and named in honor of Charles Haskell, a young Tennesseean, who fell at the massacre at Goliad in 1836.

It remained unsettled until 1874. when there was one or two ranches astablished. Other ranchmen followed, and in 1880 the county could boast of fifteen or twenty inhabitants. ment until early in 1884, when the town of Haskell was laid off, and by ionating lots to a few settlers were induced to build residences, and in January, 1885, the county organized with a polled vote of fifty-seven elec-

Up to 1884, the soil had never been turned by a plow, and the people depended upon raising cattle, sheep and horses, as the natural grasses furnishes food, both winter and summer, for immense herds. The poorer people made money by gathering many thousand tons of buffalo bones and shipping them east to be made into fertilizers used in the old states.

Experiments were made in 1885 with garden products, corn, oats, wheat, rye, barley and cotton and the yield was bountiful. The acreage in farms has increased to at least 30,000.

TOPOGRAPHY.

The county is an undulated plaine. with occasional creeks and branches. It is bounded on the north by that picturesque stream, the Salt Fork of the Brazos, and on the west by Double Mountain Fork.

There are a few washes and gulches along the breaks and rivers, but with rivers, breaks, rocks and poor land combined their area in Haskell county would not exceed 10,000 acres that would not be fine agricultural land. WATER.

tioned, some of which are fed by never failing springs of purest water.

Besides the numerous branches that afford water for stock all the time, the south half of the county is traversed by Paint and California creeks with their numerous tributaries draining The north half is traversed from

northwest to northeast by Lake and Miller creeks, whose tributaries furnish water and drainage for the same. Besides the surface water there is an abundance to be obtained by digging from 15 to 40 feet, and all of a good quality, some of which is unsur-

passed by that of any section in the state for purity and temperature. The soil is an alluvial loam of great depth and fertility, varying in color from a red to a dark chocolate, and by reason of its porosity and friable nature, when thoroughly plowed, readily drinks in the rainfall and for the like reason the soil readily drains itself of the surplus water, thereby preventing stagnation of the water and the baking of the soil, and the germination of miasma. It is those peculiar qualities of soil that enables vegetation to withstand all varieties

of weather. Except mesquite grubs and stumps, which are easily extracted, there are no obstructions to plows, and the land being level or generally rolling and easy worked, the use of laborsaving implements are profitable. One man with machinery and a little hired help has been known to cultivate over an 100 acres in grain and cotton.

Indian corn, wheat, oats, barley, rye, durah corn, millet, sorghum, castor beans, field peas, peanuts. pumpkins, and all the squash family. turnips and cotton are grown successfully and profitable. Sweet potatoes do well, and Irish potatoes as well as anywhere in the south. Garden vegetables grow to perfection, and melons lugariate in Haskell county soil, growing to fine size of superb quality. Besides the native grasses that grow on the prairies, sustaining large numbers of cattle, horses and sheep throughout the year, Colorado grass and weak. We have a country grows to great perfection and the hay made from this grass forms a valuable adjunct to the winter pasture, in

keeping stock over winter. YIELD AND PRICE OF PARM PRODUCTS. The average yield of Indian corn per acre is about 30 bushels and the per bushel; wheat yields from 18 to
30 bushels—averaging 25 bushels per acre, and sold in the house market for 90 cents to \$1.00 per bushel; oats yield 60 to 100 bushels
per acre and usually sells at 20 cents to you and all who centemplate per acre and usually sells at 20 cents per bushel; cotton yields a half to three-quarters of a bale per sere.

Other crops make good yields and

made pork is usually worth 6 to 8 cents per pound; fresh beef 4 to 6 cents; home made butter, sweet and delicious, usually sells at 25 cents per pound; chickens 15 to 20 cents each and eggs 10 to 25 cents per dozen.

SHIPPING POINTS. As yet Haskell has no railroad and our people do their principal shipping to and from Abilene, a town 52 miles south, in Taylor county, on the Texas and Pacific railroad, Albany on the Texas Castral, 45 miles from Haskell on the southeast, and Seymour on the Wichita Valley road, 45 miles north-

RAILROADS.

There is one road being built from Seymour to this place and one to be built from Fort Worth. The Texas Central will extend in a short time from Albany and Haskell is on the line as originally surveyed.

The land men of Austin have organzed a company to build a road from that city to this section of the state, where they control nearly all the land and one of the principal members owns 150,000 acres in this and Knos counties, besides he owns the large addition to the town of Haskell on the

Haskell is 52 miles north of the T P. R. R., and 90 miles south of the Ft. W. & D. R. R., and is situated on the direct line of the cattle trail over which the Rock Island and G. C. . S. F. propose to extend their lines.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS. Our school fund is perhaps the best of any county in the northwest. In addition to the amount received from the state, about \$5.50 per capita, our commissioners' court have wisely exscuted a lease for ten years of our four leagues of school land, situated in the Panhandle, the revenue from which, added to the amount received from the state, gives us a fund amply sufficient to run the several schools

MAIL FACILITIES. There is a daily mail service from Haskell to Abilene via Anson. and . weekly mail north to Benjamin. and a daily mail to Seymour, also a tri-weekly express line to Albany. These all carry express and passen-

of the county ten months in the year.

RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS.

The religious and moral status of the people of Haskell county will compare favorably with that of any people. The Methodists, Baptists, Christians, Old School and Cumberland Presbyterians each have organized churches in the town of Haskell, and have preaching on Sundays; also preaching at other points in the county.

HASKELL.

The town of Haskell is the county site of, and is situated one and one-half miles south of the center of It is traversed by numerous creeks and branches besides the rivers menwater as can be found anywhere, which is secured at from 18 to 22 feet. Also has two never failing springs of pure water in the edge of town. town of Haskell with her natural advantages of location, climate, good water and fertility of soil is destined in the near future to be the queen city of northwest Texas, and railread connection for Haskell is all that is needed to accomplish these.

> ADVANTAGES AND RESOURCES. In almost every neighborhood of the older states and the thickly settled portion of our own state there are many of its citizens who are contem-plating a removal or a change of resideace for many reasons. Some to restore lost health, some to make their beginning in the world, others to repair financial losses, others seeking safe and profitable investments of surplus capital. There are many others who have comfortable homes and are well contented, but who have children, whom they would like to provide with lands suitable for a home and assist to commence business life, but cannot do so with their present surroundings, and must seek cheaper lands and better opportunities in other and newer localities

To such we would say you are just the people we want. Come and see us, and you will find a broad field of occupation and investment to choo from, with chances greatly in your tavor. In coming to Haskell de not imagine we are a people wild and wooly, indigenous to these "western wilds;" that are loaded with dynamics and shooting irons; that conversations are collections of cuss words and Mulhattan mixtures but rather that we are a people reares among the same surroundings; that we have received the benefit of the same advantage; that we have availed ourselves of the same educaavailed ourselves of the same educa-tional privileges; that we have he the same Christian instructions year yourselves have had. Be enlight by past experience. Fortunes have been made by the development of sec-countries, and fortunes are yet to be made in our new and equally as go

country.

We have a country endowed by ture with all the conditions of prairie and valley, adapting it to the production of all the grains. grasses, fruits and vegetables of the temperate zone. We have a climate which is a happy medium between the armate which will preserve the strong and robust and strongthen the sickle adapted to stock raising of all We have a country where no me sickness ever comes. We have a country of the best lands in northwest Texas. We have an abundance of mesquite, elm and hackberry timber for fireworld and fencing. We have the most substantial inland business town in the northwest. We have the greatest abundance of the messagest abundance of the messagest abundance of the messagest and the greatest abundance of the messagest action to the messagest action to

change to come -all who was and cheap lands. We have th want you for seighbors and fri



while the north and south polar stars, that do not rise or set for us, revolve simultaneously with the rest by a separate movement. Thus may be seen thely, as far as I know, a missen the entire heavens, with sun, moon, lon. Instead of becoming wild by lement, he was always coolest and quiet in danger. During the as they rise and set in the heavens.

THE SHERIDAN TWINS are mementoes of Sheridan. On the THE CHEERFUL DOOMED MAN. On the Scaffold He Generally Acts

The execution of murderers, barbarous as it may seem, is merely an act of self-defense on the part of the public. It has been seriously asked: "Does hanging prevent murder?" It does. It is a matter of history that cases are very rare where a man is another tramp on the roof of a car known to commit murder after being

in warm but subdued tones, while dithoroughly hanged.

After all, many of the executed rectly opposite opens the parlor. This Mrs. Sheridan's dainty taste has conmurderers do not seem to mind it much. Martin L. Scott, a Montana verted into a bower of beauty. Its furniture is in keeping with its richwife murderer, played cribbage nearly the entire night before his execution. ness of ornament, and amid the pretty tables and other bric-a-brac are scat-Probably he wanted to peg out contered pictures and other souvenirs of the Union leader. Some are paintings,

sistently. An Arkansas murderer said on the scaffold that he had become so depraved that he would kill any man for \$10, but the Lord had made it all right with him and he was going straight to heaven. Even before his neck was stretched he was able to see a better world than this. This world was

certainly better after he was out An exchange has the following to say about the recent hanging of a Virginia murderer who murdered a whole

dan out west when my father was a member of his staff. That was many family for money in their possession: "Capital punishment has no terrors years after the war. I have been an for some human beings. In Wise county, Virginia, the little mountain town of Norton put on gala dress on the day fixed for the execution of Doe' Taylor. He had on a suit of white, had the sheriff provide a white cap, preached for an hour and twentyfive minutes from a biblical text and "With most people an entirely in-correct idea of tien. Sheridan prevails. As I knew him in our home life he was made a 'good preach,' too, according to mountaineer standard. Taylor was fanatic. Before sentence he began to read from the New Testament, asking

> "After conviction and at the gallows he was in an unvarying fanatical mood, and died with the full belief that he would go straight to heaven."

the judge to hear his friend, the Lord

He also sang "The Bright Angels are Waiting for Me." No doubt they were, as they stirred up the fire with their spiked tails and looked brighter Wynn Molesworth has invented and

winter meeting of the Royal Astroin reality nothing of that char direction is effected by movable pins in private life. while the north and south polar stars

RALPH OR RAFE?

Which Way thould This Name Be Pro-

Antiquaries or philologists from nearly all parts of England have favored the papers with their views respecting Lord Tennyson's pro-nunciation of the name "Ralph," and they appear to be equally propor-tioned for "Raif." "Raff" and "Rafe," according to local proclivities. Custom and literature are equally un-certain. Writing from Brompton Ralph Rectory, Taunton, the Rev. H. C. Launder gives an interesting

account of what may be regarded as the evolution of the word. He says: "Since the discussion has been raised respecting the word 'Ralph.' it may interest many of your readers to know of its spelling in the register of the parish of Brompton Ralph, and of the pronunciation given by the inhabitants. The register dates from 1557, and is called the register of the parish of "Brompton Raffe.' There is no change in the spelling, as far as I can trace till 1652, when 'Ralf' displaces 'Raffe.' In 1665, and from then to 1716, I find Raife.' In 1717 a new register is begun with the word as we now have it, 'Ralph.' The younger generations pronounce the debated

"It is curious to notice, however, when a child is baptized 'Ralph,' after the name of the parish (cases have occurred within the last few years), the parents invariably give Ralph' the 'safe' sound."

though it ought to rhyme with 'chaff.'

The very oldest inhabitants use the

pronunciation which rhymes with

"Hudibras" affords another example of variety of pronunciation. Butler says of the doughty knight

A 'Squire he had, whose name was Raiph,
That in th' adventure went his half
Though writers, for more tone,
Do call him Raipho, 'tis all one:
And when we can with meter safe
We'll call him so, if not plain Raiph.
From all which the conclusion of the matter would appear to be that it is wrong to be dogmatic one way or the other, and that each man may pronounce "Ralph" as it may sound

good to his cars.

In the Great Year 1900. It is reported that a movement is on foot, with its headquarters at Pittsburg, to girdle the earth with a series of religious conventions on the 1900th anniversary of the Christian era. A great expedition will start out, numbering it is thought, some 1,000 persons, who will go entirely around the world holding rousing religious services at every important stopping place. The first service will be held in San Francisco and the last in New York. Bombay. Jerusalem, Rome and London will be taken in on the way. The services are to be entirely nonsectarian. Several weeks will elapse between each service, and it is calculated that the expedition will take a year in making its rounds and that it will cost each of the crusaders about \$1,000.

She Took the Compliment "Where is the other pretty girl who used to be here?" he asked the

"She's away on a short vacation. she answered, with a charming smile. And when she came to weigh his candy she gave him double weight.

SORTED AND SELECTED.

The most disastrous flood was that of Holland, 1520; 400,000 persons drowned. An opal, weighing 600 karats, in the possession of Edward H. Fleming of Opalville, Idaho, is claimed to be the

largest of its species in the world. A West Virginia man has become insane on the subject of the Ferris wheel. He rode on the wheel and on his return home endeavored to make one on a similar plan.

Gorham Abbott of Winsted, Conn., has surprised his friends by beginning to talk after being dumb for thirty years. He was made deaf and dumb by an attack of scarlet fever in his After two years' trial with pine, oal and greenheart in the Suez canal works it has been found that while pine and oak are destroyed by the

borer worm the greenheart, which comes from British Guiana, was unharmed. Miss Anna Gies, aged 40 years, has brought suit against her father in a New York court for \$10,000. She says that she has been his housekeeper for nearly twenty years past, and that he

owes her at least the amount she has sued for. Hans Schliessmann, a Vienna carica turist, has been sending letters to his friends inscribed with "Mr." and a sketch of the person intended, and a designation of the quarter of the town in which he lives. They have all

reached their destination. The Chinese are the most exper smugglers in the world. Contraband opium has been found in their queues the soles of their sandals, in loaves of bread, and even in bananas on the stalk, defying the closest scrutiny. Some of their shrewdest schemes are discovered by accident only.

The idea that chess was invented by

the ancient Indians or by the Chinese

is shaken by the discovery at Sakkara, in Egypt, of a wall painting showing two chess players belonging to the government of King Teta of the sixth dynasty. Professor Brugsch put Teta at 3,300 B. C., or 5,200 years ago. A young couple are getting married. Suddenly some absurd idea enters the head of the bridegroom and he bursts out laughing. Thereupon the old priest who is officiating pauses a mo-ment and says gravely: "Do not laugh, my son. You will have little occasion for mirth in the state into which you

are now entering." Admiral Avelan of the Russian navy encountered while he was an ensign an officer who for some grave offense had been degraded from a captaincy to the post of common sailor, and who despaired of over finding an opportunity to exhibit the gallantry that alone would restore his rank The ensign secretly arranged with inhir-to fall overboard and be saved by the man, and the plan was carried out on the first rough weather that occurred. The man was so indifferent a swimm or that he would have drowned or, in other words, as though the person had been a year old at the usual, good one, but the defired end

The filmsy paper called tissue paper was originally made to place between tissue cloth of gold or silver

ONCE IN DARKNESS KNEELING.

the heart in my bosom

and thinking now of His sorrow The crown of the years to be, shall I shrink from a darkened morrow Or weep that the world leaves mo

PERCY AND THE PROPHET

BY WILKIE COLLINS. CHAPTER L The Quack.

The disasters that followed the hateful offense against Christianity which men call war were severely felt in England during the peace that ensued on the overthrow of Napoleon at Waterloo. At this melancholy period of our national history, agriculture, manufactures, and commerce suffered an unexampled depression. The deficiency in the revenue was publicly acknowledged in parliament to be alarming. With rare exceptions distress prevalled among all classes of the community. The starving nation was ripe and ready for a revolutionary number eighteen?" rising against its rulers—the rulers who had shed the people's blood and wasted the people's substance in a war which had yielded to the popular interest absolutely nothing in re-

Among the unfortunate persons who were driven, during the disasthe means of living was a certain obscure medical man, of French extraction, named Lagarde. The doc- pulse, the servant hurried tor (duly qualified in England as of the room, calling to well as his own country to bear the gentleman who had inhabiting one of the narrow streets which connect the great thoroughfare of the Strand with the banks of

The method of obtaining employment chosen by poor Lagarde as the one alternative left in the face of starvation, was, and is still, considered by the medical profession to be the method of a quack. He advertised in the public journals.
In language studiously free from

pretense or exaggeration, the French liked to talk to a pretty woman. physician declared himself to have been converted to a belief in animal magnetism (as it was then called) by serious study of the discoveries first announced in France by the famous Mesmer. The two classes of the community to which his appeal was addressed were, first, persons of the invalid sort, afflicted with maiadies failed to cure; and, secondly, persons disposed toward mystical investigation, who might be inclined to test the me with their confidence," the doc- the doctor in his own pithy way. which I employ is no secret; it was first made public long before my time. I am thrown into a magnetic sleep, and the hand of the person who consults me is placed in mine. of which I can testify, but which (in present state of scientific inquiry) I I am fortunate enough to satisfy are words. requested to drop their offerings, acbox fixed on the waiting-room table. Those whom I do not satisfy will be pleased to accept the expression of my regret, and will not be expected to give anything. It is quite possible that I may be the dupe of mistaken convictions; all I ask of the public is to believe that they are at least the convictions of an honest man I have only to add that ladies and gentlemen who wish to give me a trial will find me at home in the evening between the hours of 6 and 10."

Toward the close of the year 1816 this strange advertisement became a general topic of conversation among educated people in London For some weeks the sittings of the seer were largely attended, and (all things considered) were not badly remuncrated. A faithful few believed in him. and told wonderful stories of what he had pronounced and prophesied in his state of trance. The majority of his visitors simply viewed him in the light of a public amusement, and wondered why such chosen to gain his living by exhibiting himself as a quack

CHAPTER II

The Numbers toward the latter part of January 1817, a gentleman, walking along the Strand, turned into the street in which Dr. Lagarde lived and knocked at the mesmerist's door. The gen- and looked at the coin. "Heads tleman was young and handsome. with a certain peculiarity in his gait which revealed him as belonging to the military profession. His dress studiously avoided the exaggerations is not my experience of life." and absurdities of the hideous fasnion prevailing in those days. In a word the outward mark set on him was the mark which unmistakably

proclaims a well-bred man He was admitted by an elderly male servant to a waiting room on the first floor. The light of one little tamp, placed on a bracket fixed to the wall, was so obscured by a dark green shade as to make it difficult if not impossible, for visitors meeting by accident to recognize each other. The metal money-box fixed to the table was just visible. In the flicker-ing light of a small fire the stranger perceived the figures of three men seated, apart and silent who were

plain and nest, and nothing more. The elderly servant handed a card. with a number inscribed on it, to the new visitor, said in a whisper, "Your number will be called, sir, in your turn." and disappeared. For some minutes nothing disturbed the deep silence but the faint ticking of the click. After a while a bell rang from an inner room. a door opened and a gentleman appeared, whose in-terview with Dr. Lagarde had terminated. His opinion of the sitting was openly expressed in one emphatic word-"Humbug!" No contribu-tion dropped from his hand as he

passed the money-box on his way The next number (being number fifteen) was called by the elderly servant, and the first incident occurred in the strange series of events destined to happen in the doctor's house that night.

One after another the three men who had been waiting rose, examined their cards under the light of the lamp, and sat down again, surprised and disappointed. The servant advanced to investigate the matter. The number possessed by the three visitors, instead of being fifteen, sixteen and seventeen, proved to be sixteen, seventeen and eighteen. Turning to the stranger who had arrived the last, the servant said:

"Have I made a mistake, sir? sight is not so good as it was, and I am afraid I have awkwardly confused the cards in this dark place. Have I given you number fifteen instead of

The gentleman produced his card. A mistake had certainly been made, but not the mistake the servant supposed. The card held by the latest visitor turned out to be the card previously held by the dissatisfied stranger who had just left the room -number fourteen! As to the card trous early years of this century, to numbered fifteen, it was only disstrange shifts and devices to obtain covered the next morning lying in a corner, dropped on the floor!

Acting on his first been the title) was an inhabitant of London, original holder of the fourteen to come back to bear his testimony to that fact. The street door had been opened for him by the landlady of the house. She was a pretty woman, and the gentleman had fortunately lingered to talk to her. He was induced, at the intercession of the landlady to ascend the stairs again. On returning to the waiting-room he addressed a characteristic question to the assembled visitors. humbug?" asked the gentleman who

The servant-completely puzzled by his own stupidity-attempted to

make his apologies. "Pray forgive me, gentlemen," he said. "I am afraid I have confused the cards I distribute with the cards returned to me. In the case of mistakes of any kind I am ordered to set them right on the spot. In this case which ordinary medical practice had I think I had better consult my master.

He disappeared in the inner room. Left by themselves the visitors began power of "clairvoyance" as a means to speak jestingly of the strange sitof revealing the hidden chances and uation in which they were placed. changes of the future. "No fee is The original holder of number fourexacted from those who may honor teen described his own experience of tor modestly added. "because I can applied to the fellow to tell my fornot guarantee beforehand that I snall tune. He first went to sleep over it, be successful in ministering to their and then said he could tell me nothnecessities and wishes. The process ing. I asked why. I don't know, says he. 'I do.' says I-humbug I'll bet you the long odds, gentlemen,

that you find it a humbug, too." Before the wager could be accepted or declined the door of the inner The result depends entirely on mys- room was opened again. The tall, terious laws of nervous symbathy and lean, black figure of a new personage a pervous insight, to the existence appeared on the threshold, relieved darkly against the light in the room behind him. A singularly quiet, sad am not able to explain. Those whom voice addressed the visitors in these

"Gentlemen, I must beg your in cording to their means, into a money dulgence. The apparent accident which has given to the last comer the number already held by a gentleman who has unsuccessfully consulted me, may have a meaning which we can none of us at present see. Observe, I don't speak positively. I only say it may be. If the three visitors who have been so good as to wait will allow the present holder of number fourteen to consult me out of his turn, and if the earlier visitor, who left me dissatisfied with his consultation will consent to stay here a little longer. I pledge myself, if nothing happens during the first ten minutes of the interview, to receive the gentlemen who have yet to consult me. and to detain no longer the gentleman who has seen me already. On the other hand, if anything does happen, there is a chance at least that one among you-most likely the original holder of number fourteen -may be concerned in it. Under these circumstances, is ten minutes patience too much to ask of you?"

The three visitors who had waited a gentleman-like man should have the longest consulted among themselves, and (having nothing better to do with their time) decided on accepting the doctor's proposal. The visitor who believed it all to be "humbug" coolly took a gold coin On a raw and snowy evening out of his pocket, tossed it into the air, caught it in his closed hand, and walked up to the shaded lamp on the bracket. "Heads, stay," he said. "Tails, go." He opened his hand Very good. Go on with your hocuspocus, sir. I'll wait."

"You believe in chance," said the doctor, quietly observing him. "That He paused to let the stranger who held number fourteen pass him into the inner room - then followed, clos-

ing the door behind him. CHAPTER III.

The Consultation. Seen under the clearer light, Doctor Lagarde appeared to be the last person living who would consent to degrade himself by an attempt at imposture of any kind. His eyes were the dreamy eyes of a visionary his look was the prematurely aged look of a student accustomed to give the hours to his book which ought to have been given to his bed. To state it briefly, the disciple of Mesmer was the only occupants of the room be- a man who might easily be deceived sides himself. The wretched weath- by others, but who was incapable of er, had, ne doubt, kept the doctor's consciously practicing deception himlady visitors at home. So far as ob- self. Signing to his visitor to take a jects were to be seen, there was chair, he seated himself on the oppo-

his face hidden in his hands, as if to ELEPHANTS OF BRAINS. collect himself, and then spoke:

"Do you come to consult me on case of illness?" he inquired, "or do you ask me to look into the darkness which hides your future life?"

The stranger answered gravely, "I have no need to consult you about my health. I come to hear what you can tell me of my future life."

"You know that I can try," pursued the doctor, "but that I cannot promise to succeed?" "I accept your conditions," the

myself.

Doctor Lagarde smiled sadly. idle people," he said. "I don't com-plain of that; my present position leads necessarily to misinterpretation of myself and my motives. Still I may at least say that I am the victim of a sincere avowal of my belief in a great science. Yes, I repeat it, a great science! To be of any use to you. I must first be thrown into a magnetic trance. The person who has the strongest influence over me is the person who will do it to-night." He paused, and looked round toward the corner of the room behind him. "Mother." he said, gently, "are you ready?"

An elderly lady, dressed in deep mourning, rose from her seat in the corner. She had been thus far hidden from notice by the high back of the easy-chair in which her son sat. Excepting some folds of fine black lace laid over her white hair so as to form a head-dress at once simple and picturesque, there was nothing remarkable in her attire. The visitor, well accustomed to the society of women of high rank and breeding. rose and bowed, as if (stranger though she was to him) he recognized a person of distinction. She gravely returned his salute, and moved round the table so as to place herself opposite to her son. "When you please. Henry," she

said. Bending over him, she took both the doctor's hands in hers and fixed her eyes steadily on his. No words passed between them; nothing more ook place. In a minute or two his head was resting against the back of the chair, and his eyelids had closed. "Are you sleeping?" asked Mme. Lagarde.

"I am sleeping," he answered. She laid his hands gently on the arms of the chair and turned to address the visitor.

"Let the sleep gain on him for a minute or two more," she said. Then take one of his hands and put to him what questions you please. "Does he hear us now, madam?" [TO BE CONTINUED.]

WONDERFUL STRENGTH. The Accomplishments of Polydamas and

ing to witness the feats of this marvelous man, called him to his court; he opposed to him three of the statethem a slap on the ears; he was about to slap the faces of a few more when the king, satisfied, stopped him. One day he selzed a animal did not escape until it had left its hoof in Polydamas hand. Like Milo, he died through over confidence in his strength. He atthat had given way, but he got

buried under it and died. Also in the sixteenth century there man, a major, named Barsabas. One day he took up an anvil weighing 500 pounds and hid it under his cloaks. Often to amuse his comrades a cannon. He could crush between his fingers the limbs of big animals. One day, seeing a crowd looking at an enormous dancing bear, he offered to wrestle with the animal. The major threw the bear down several times, and judging it unworthy of further struggle, slew the animal with his fist, and carried it away on his shoulders, amid the cheers of the crowd. Another day, seeing several officers of his regiment surrounded by an angry crowd. he ran to them, knocking people down right and left. as a child does with a pack of cards. The crowd, exasperated, turned on him. but, seizing two of his assailants, one with each hand, he used them as clubs on the crowd, who, astonished at this extraordinary display of strength, quickly drew back. Once he squeezed to a pulp the hand of a man who wanted to fight him.

Barsabas' sister was also remarkable for her strength. Some burglars entered a convent where she was; she threw one out of the window and killed two others with a pillar which she tore down and used as a club.

"A pair of nippers and half a dozen ighteen-inch gas-burner tubes," was the order given by a jaunty young woman who visited a hardware store the other day. "That lady," said the proprietor after her departure. "is an actress, and is just going on the road. All theatrical people while traveling carry nippers and tips with them. The managers of hotels in small towns try to save gas by put-ting bits of cotton in the bedroom burners, thus impeding the flow. The minute an actor strikes a light and detects this he pulls out his nippers and tips. Off comes the 'faked' ourner and on goes one that lets the full head of gas come through Be-fore leaving he arranges things as he found them and goes merrily along to get the better of the next economical landlord on his route.

Nothing Left.

Wife-There are thieves in the house. Husband—Ge down and show them your new bonnet, and nothing to attract attention in the site side of the small table that stood they won't waste any time looking waiting room. The furniture was between them, waited a moment with for money here.—New York Weekly. they won't waste any time looking born mercantile propensity is ap-

HANDLE LUMBER AS WELL AS HUMAN BEINGS.

In British Burmah They Use the Intelligent Packydorms in the Lumber Business—A Couple of Autmals Bose Their Brethren in the Work.

The display of trained animals, broken for show purposes, cannot offer the slightest comparison in stranger rejoined. "I neither be-lieve nor disbelieve. If you will ex-lieve nor disbelieve. If you will ex-Moulmein, British Burmah. The observe you closely, and to decide for most absorbingly entertaining feature

of the novel sight is the paradoxically industrial character which the "You have heard of me as a char-latan who contrives to amuse a few derms assumes. It hardly seems possible that the work of a sawmill. usually done by human hands, could be accomplished through the medium of the elephant's trunk and the elephant's sagacity; nevertheless it is a fact that the Irawadi steamship company uses some forty or fifty elephants in the operation of its sawmills at Moulmein, and the teakwood so largely entering into the construction of ships is here made ready for the hands of the artisan.

A gentleman lately returned from a tour of the East gives an interesting account of the manner in which the mills are operated. The logs are chopped in the interior and floated several hundred miles down the Salwin river to the mill, which is situated on the banks of the stream at Moulmein. Here the logs are formed into a boom, and henceforth the work of transporting is done by the elephants.

The most wonderful, interesting. novel, and almost incredible feature of the entire combination is the sight of two monstrously large male elephants, spurring them on, pushing, driving and frequently chastising a lazy or recalcitrant member of

Very few men are needed to direct the elephants in their work. From six to eight of the animals usually work in the water. These wade or swim, according to the depth of the water, to the long boom, and loosening several logs at a time tow them to the shore at a certain point. Each of the company of elephants that convey the logs from this point to the drying place has a chain attached to his neck and reaching to the ground. At the bottom of this chain is a loop, through which the log is run. A man directs the movements of the elephants in placing the log within the coil of the chain. The elephant picks up another log by his trunk, and in this manner drags two at a time to the seasoning stacks. About eight elephants are employed in this capacity. The work of piling the logs to dry is done by two female elephants. Each winds her trunk about the log near the end, and together they raise it in a horizontal position and place it on the stack.

Polydamas of Thessalia was a man After the logs have dried suffiof extraordinary strength and stature. ciently they are ready for the mill. As Hercules had done, he alone. Two female elephants take the dry without arms, killed an enormous logs from the piles and deliver them ion that was devastating the val- to a herd similar in training to those leys of Mount Olympus. With one that work between the water and the hand Polydamas could hold back a seasoning stacks. These convey the charlot drawn by two horses. He logs to a track over which a small could break the trunk of a tree as car runs to the mill. Only one log anyone would break a small stick. at a time is placed upon this car. The king of Persia. Darius 1., wish- As soon as a log is in position on the car an elephant, trained for this particular part of the work, pushes the car to the mill. Arrived at the mill liest men of his army. Polydamas the log is pushed from the car to a killed the three by simply giving carrier that passes beneath the buzz saw. As soon as the log is thus transferred to the carrier the elephant operating the car returns for another log, while another huge bull by one of its hind feet, and the beast trained to do the sawing operates the carrier and pushes the log against the saw. But the interesting part of the work does not end here, for, as the log is being sawed tempted to support a mass of rock into the desired boards and timbers another elephant receives the completed material, piling the slabs on one side and the more valuable lived another remarkably strong product on the other. But two men the elephants used in sawing the logs.

Another datachment of the herd is used in carrying the lumber from the he went through the rifle drill with mill to the yards and sheds. For this purpose very long trucks with the low front and back wheels close to each other are used. There are elephants trained for loading the sawed material upon these trucks while others push the loaded trucks to the sheds. In the lumber yard are the "pilers." or elephants that take the lumber from the trucks and place it in piles for further seasoning.

As stated before, there is one detachment of this strange army of laborers which does the "kitchen work" for the hotel de elephant, or whatever the feeding place of these big fellows may be called, says the Chicago Times. Some may be seen carrying hay for the stables, but by far the most interesting sight is the preparation of the food. This is composed of grass, bran and molasses. and is mixed in a large vat While some are carrying these different components of the highly delectable elephantine boarding - house hash others are engaged in mixing it with pestles, which they dexterously manipulate with their trunks. The narrator observed one of the elephants suddenly stop work with the pestle and refuse to wield his mixing stick any further. One of the two big boss elephants was called to the scene and picking up the recalcitrant's pestle, beat him with it over the back and hips until he whiningly returned to his work.

Only about ten men are employed in directing the work of the entire herd of elephants. Those who have seen this novel mill at Moulmein in operation all agree in giving it the credit of being the greatest exhibition of trained animals in the world and say that Hagenbeck's and, in fact all other trained animal shows are simply nowhere near "in line" with it. The mill hands, or more properly speaking, the mill trunks of this institution, have never yet gone out on a strike.

They Have the Right of It.

In Catalonia idleness is confidered by everyone, high and low, a disgrace, and no mercantile undertaking or industrial pursuit socially dis-

Phenician ancestors, who in ages past established themselves in the Mediterranean border of Spain and whose characteristic trading inclinations have prevailed to this day, and neither Ceits nor Romans nor Goths nor Moors have ever annulled or even weakened them. The Semitic

origin of the Catalan makes him a born merchant, and for this reason neither English, French, Germans nor even Jews of any nationality compete successfully in trade with this energetic, shrewd and enterprising race.

BIG MAILS FROM THE WEST. Members of Congress ! rom Beyond the

Mississippi Get the Most Letters.

It is interesting to note the strik-

ing differences in amount and degree that characterize the correspondence of representatives from different sections of the country, says the Washington Star. The mail of represen-tatives from the New England and South Atlantic states is comparatively light, that of representatives of the middle states is moderate, or "from fair to middling," and that from the Western, Northwestern and Southwestern states is exceedingly heavy. In other words, it seems that the people of the older states, particularly of the thirteen original states, which had their existence before the union was established, lean but lightly upon the federal government and have but few wants to express in correspondence to their representatives at Washington, while residents of the newer states, whose state governments were erected simultaneously with their admission into the union, are apt to look to Washington for nearly everything they want. In the old states along the Atlantic seaboard the people by instinct and tradition rely upor themselves and upon their state governments, while in the later admitted states, especially those beyond Illinois to the north, south and west, as for example Kansas, Nebraska, Iowa and Missouri, the people appear by custom to be more dependent upon the general government. Particularly is this the case in states where conditions of acute unrest and dissatisfaction prevail from industrial or financial causes. There the people have become habitually clamorous in their demands upon congressmen to procure them pensions, sustenance and situations, to remedy and redress their wrongs, real or imagined, to lighten their burdens, to mitigate their woes and to do other things by

ing letters. LORDS OF CREATION.

legislation and influence at Washing-

ton. Again, on the other hand, the

Southern people in the main bother

their congressmen very little by writ-

Almost every man in the world says he can't help his peculiarities, but he will not admit that his neighbor can't help his. Maud-Do you believe that mar-

riages are made in heaven? Marie-I don't know. But I don't intend to wait and see.

After the piano solo. Mrs. Budd.

Mrs. Budd. proudly-My daughter is self-taught. Distinguished Musician-So I divined

at once, my dear madam. Jacob H. Simms, who was born in slavery and came North at the end of the war, is foremost among the colored

lawyers of New York city. Diogenes said to one who said to him, "They deride you," "But I am not derided." He accounted those only to be ridiculed who feel the ridi-

It is estimated by a statistician with a penchant for the odd that all the people that have died since Adam's and one long-necked, prossic boy had day could be buried in a cemetery 100,000 miles square.

A light supper, a good night's sleep and a fine morning have often made a day. hero of the same man who, by indigestion, a restless night and a rainy morning, would have proved a coward. Governor Turney, of Tennessee, although 70 years old, keeps a pack of foxhounds, and devotes all his spare time to fox hunting. He is a are required to oversee and direct fine horseman, despite his advanced a word here and there that soon had age.

Mr. Alfred de Rothschild posse a lion cub which he has trained to follow him about his house and grounds Its food consists of rice and boiled mutton, of which latter article it they were called to lunch, or, as readily consumes upward of five Georgians say, to dinner. As they pounds a day.

RARE AND READABLE.

A sunfish weighing 1,800 pounds was recently caught by Los Angeles fishermen.

Willard A. Lucas of Poquetannuck, Conn., wears an artificial hand made of aluminum On Long Island duck farms are

found to be more profitable than sum-The proposed Hoboken bridge will

have a single span of 2,850 feet-the longest in the world. ongest in the world.

The capital letter "Q" will be found ing line and Miss Tudie's in such but twice in the Old Testament and

three times in the New. From January 1, 1890, to January 1 1891, there were 1,018,591 gallons of rum shipped from Boston to Africa. In 1891 the trade was almost doubled. New York and Massachusetts have each been represented in the cabinet line instead of a hook his brown-eyed

Executions ceased to be public in England in 1865. Before that time they were in the squares in front of the pails and attracted thousands of people from the country round.

follows, with twenty-five representa-

This country has become within three decades one of the most important olive consuming countries of the world. When olives were first imported into the United States they were a luxury of the rich. No woman is permitted to land or

the island of Fernando de Noronna, one of a group in the South Atlantic ocean, belonging to Brazil. It is a station for men convicts from Brazil, and all women are strenuously pro-hibited from disembarking there. M. Marey has found, from his con-

disued studies of animal locomotion by means of instantaneous photography, that the modes of progression of the viper and the eel are much alike; that the postures of batrachians in water (after they have acquired their limbs) are much like those of mea swimming, and that huards trot like

parently an inheritance from their FIRST AFTER THE WAR.

-The Fich That Were Caught.

It was Saturday, and as hot as summer weather usually goes in Georgia. The farmers had laid by their crops and the men had little to do except help the women dry peaches. The war having just ended the Georgians were in extreme poverty; some living in shantles or log huts near the charred remains of stately mansions, barns and gin houses.

The young men had straggled back home, many lame and disabled, but those who were fortunate enough to live and strong enough to work began at once to repair their lost fortunes. This unusual and universal condition kept the young people from enjoying themselves in the summer festivities so common before the war.

In some way the word was passed around that on this particular Saturday there would be a fish try at Willisford on Buck creek, says the Philadelphia Times. Such another place would be hard to find even to this day. The heat of the August sun was a stranger to the cool sands in the old once well-beaten roadway. The great water oaks interlaced their huge branches overhead and made the low grounds around the old ford black with dense shade. The water sparkled and leaped over the mossy rocks and splashed with their foamy crests round and round until they slowed up and seemed to rest in the cool shade. The swamp was pregnant with the most beautiful ferns and flowers modestly hidden

here and there. It was agreed that the girls should have their baskets ready and the boys, with such stock as they could get, should drive around the neighborhood and pick up those who lived too far to walk. The girls, in nest homespun frocks, with an occasional ribbon of the olden time, knit by aunty for this special and eventful occasion, looked as sweet and as fresh as violets, and the young men in their best clothes, which could not be described, except the paper collars, gros-grain ribbon cravats and pine straw hats, looked every inch manly.

But on this eventful Saturday the

struggle that will never go into history was forgotten in the ludicrous sight of an old, mammoth United States broken down, sore-backed ar-tillery horse hitched by the side of a wee little Georgia mule to a farm wagon, and an ox to a light road wagon intended in former days for a spen of 2:40 flyers, and the old-time silver-mounted carriage, with its ladder-like steps on either side, drawn by a pair of army mules with unloaded their human freight.

The birds chattered, the squirrels scampered as if to dispute the prerogatives of the trespassers on their so long undisputed rights. These young people had not been together since they wore bibs and tuckers, and naturally they waited for an executive mind. No one seemed to know who originated the fish fry; all knew that nature had changed if any fish grew in Buck creek. They had seined it without success; yet they had brought home-made lines and such hooks as they could muster, actually brought a gourd of bait, and he may have caught a minnow. but others caught bigger fish that

The question of the origination was soon made plain to more than one, and it was a girl, Miss Tudie, daughter of the planter who owned the ford, and she soon seemed to take charge, and while she did not dictate nor even advise she dropped the crowd in twos and fours up and down on either side of the stream. ostensibly to fish, and they did fish. The boys continued to fish, the girls continued to fish, until noon, when came together they seemed shyer than ever. Especially was this no-ticeable in Miss Tudie, who had a real hamper of home-made edibles. but had forgotten its contents. It was plain that the fish that was caught that day was not for the frying pan, and many will remember that as the best 'ay's fishing of their

lives. One fine fellow, as popular among the boys as Miss Tudie was among the girls, who was familiarly called 'Lige and who to day is a quiet, dignified, gray-haired tiller of the soil, shape that the two lines were and are to this day inseparable, and should he chance to see this tribute to his adroit way of entangling tackie he will not fail to bless the originator of the first fish fry after the war who gave him a chance to catch with a twenty-eight times. Pennsylvania partner of that eventful occasion. And should her attention be called to this, the first written history of that day on her father's farm, her blushes would be chastened by the sacredness of the love for her grayhaired 'Lige who so awkwardly yet so skilfully entangled his line which got hers entangled, and they continued tangled until they caught each other twenty-eight years ago. And should they, with their present tribe of children and grandchildren ever gather with their friends under the cool oaks, sacred to so many who are now scattered abroad, they could safely assert that at the first fish fry after the war that the hooks used were hooks of love, such as poverty and deprivation could not break, and the lines, though modest, homemade strings, were meshes that entwiffed on that day sweethearts and later husbands and wives.

Among the many quaint customs which are gradually disappearing in England is the so-called dion Sermon," which, after having been an- ting at her. Keep quiet." "Well, ting, nually preached in the church of St. | what does she holler so for?"

Catharine, in the city of London, fdi nearly three centuries, has just been abolished. It owes its origin to an vowed to devote his life to charity if spared from the lion's jaws. The animal is stated to have thereupon turned tail; and in pursuance of the vow thus made the "Lion Sermon" has been regularly preached ever since. The fund bequeathed by Sir Richard for the purpose will in future be devoted to other charitable uses.

They Put on the Cont. A clergyman was once annoyed by people talking and giggling during the service. He paused, looked at the disturbers, and said: "Some years since, as I was preaching, a young man who sat before me was constantly laughing, talking and making uncouth grimaces. I paused and administered a severe rebuke. After the close of the services a gentleman said to me: Sir, you made a great mistake; that young man was an idiot.' Since then. I have always been afraid to reprove those who misbehave in chapel, lest I should repeat that mistake and reprove another idiot." During the rest of the services there was good order .-

Argonaut. What Kille | the Parrot. The man was walking slong Lenox avenue carrying a parrot in a cage.

"What you got there?" asked a friend. "Parrot; I'm taking it home to my wife. She always wanted one.

"I hope you'll have better luck than I did with one I gave my wife." "What happened to it?"

"Don't know my wife, do you?" "No" "Neither did the parrot wanted to talk during the daytime and couldn't get a chance while my wife was around, so it stayed awake

all night to do its talking, and the poor thing died of insomnia before two weeks."—Ex. Boy With an Ambition. Dentist-Well, my little man, what

can I do for you?
Small Boy—Please, sir, I want you to pull a front tooth so's I can spit like Jimmy Peters. - Judge. Pamous River With a Great Name.

There have been more remains of mastodons and other extinct mammoths found in Ichtucknee river. Florida, than any other stream in the world. WHERE PRODUCTS COME FROM

The two Dakotas lead all the states in wheat

Georgia exports every year over \$1,-000,000 worth of watermelons Florida produces over fifty varieties of the orange. The annual crop is

about 2,250,000 boxes. Montana has produced nearly one-third of the gold, silver; copper and

Michigan is first in copper, sait and lumbed, second in iron, third in sheep, fifth in hops, sixth in wheat. Georgia sends out every year about

1,000,000 bales of cotton, and cuts every year 200,000,000 feet of lumber. Illinois is first in corn, oats, pork, distilled liquors and railways; second in coal, wheat and hogs: third in cat-

California stands first in gold and grapes, second in sheep and wool, in hops, third; in wheat, fifth; in sliver, eighth.

Iowa is first in hogs, second in corn hay and oats, third in horses and mules, fifth in railways, seventh in wheat and coal.

Ohio is first in sheep and wool, see ond in petroleum and steel, fourth in wheat, coal and liquors, figh in

cows, hav and tobacco. Pennsylvania is first in rye, iron steel, petroleum and coal, second in buckwheat and potatoes, fourth in oats, fifth in silk and wool, sixth in

salt and copper. New York is first of all the states in manufactures, printing, hops, hay, potatoes, buckwheat and cows, second in salt, liquors rnd railways, third in

iron and steel, and fourth in sheep. SLIGHT SMILES.

Visitor-Ah! got a piano? You daughter taking lessons in music Host-No: in dynamics.

Visitor-That painting is by an old master, I see. Mrs. McShoddle, spologetically-Y-e-s, but the frame is Mrs. Styles, sadly-I wish that I

were dead! Mr. Styles-Don't be discouraged, dear. Your hat's

"You called that man doe "Yes." "He doesn't look much like physician. What's his specialty? "He's a ward heeler." He-No, we don't go to the the

to-day. Operas of this class are meant for elderly people. She is quite true, and I really reason why you should Gallup-Do you think I es

trust a business secret to Highee I should say so. I le a sovereign nearly a year ago has never breathed a word a

Jones-Well, Smith, did you proto Miss Airess last night? Smit and her answer was very amble and contradictory. Jonesdid she say? Smith-She gave m positive negative.

"Say," said the office boy, "I the boss ought to gimme a h extra this week, but I guess he were "What for?" asked the bookkeep Per overtime. I wus dreamin's

my work all las' night." Ethel - How did he make all h money? Charlie-Smoking! He the greatest smoker in American Ethel-Nonsense, Charlie; you make money by smoking. Charile

He did. He smoked hams! The clebrated Signora How was in the middle of her solo. little Johney Fizzletop, referring to the conductor of the orchestra, asia: "Why does that man hit at the saman with his stick?" "He is not itAPPLES

DISCORD.

gard to the ownership of property.

After due reflection I courageously

informed my flance that I would not

steal any apples for her.
"You are very gallant," said she in a tone which plainly signified that I

was quite the reverse.

I saw at once that I was to be punished for this disobedience.

She turned her black eyes upon me,

and gave me a most disdainful look; closed her rosy lips tightly together; withdrew her arms from mine; and,

in fact, she brought to bear upon me

lovely woman knows how to employ

On our way to the house, I did my

The dinner, during which she never

"Sir," she replied coldly, "I love

in such a servile manner to her despot-ism that it was sufficient for her to

torture me to this point? I felt that I was a miserable coward. It made no

difference in my estimation that I had displayed bravery on the field of battle. I felt that I was wanting in

true courage, especially the kind that would prompt a misused lover to re-volt and shake off the tyranny of two beautiful eyes. In thinking of these things I evoked in spite of myself the

face and form of Bertha. Fatal evo-cation! How beautiful! how seducing

The dear little girl, she had had a

aprice, a simple caprice, and I had sutally refused to gratify it.

And all of this trouble was on ac-

Would it be robbery to get those

one does not steal apples, he takes them. One steals watches and purses.

And then, where would there be any proof of love on my part unless I made an occasional sacrifice or did

something besides agreeable and pleas-east things in order to gratify my

leved one?
"She shall have those apples," said
L at last, rising to my feet, and since
she wishes it they shall be stolen ap-

It was an unusually dark night and

the wind blew in violent gusts as I

In a few moments I stood in the street opposite the apple tree. Without a moment's hesitation I leaped the ditch and clambered over the wall

At the instant I raised my hand to

grasp as apple a very near voice crisd: "You thief! There you are at

As I peered into the darkness whence the voice came, I saw the thining barrel of a gun pointed at my

Instinctively I threw myackf at my assailant, who fired at the same moment, and I bore him to the ground.

spectacle!
The face of an old man, with open, staring eyes, his long white hair bathed in blood, which flowed from a bathed in blood, which flowed from a

gaping wound near his temple, was what I saw by the flickering light of

in such cases.

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myself in a large room filled with hay, containing a single window that over-looked the fields that skirted the

lawn.
I had scarcely time to glance about me when I heard my pursuers with shouts and yells approach the barn, and in a moment they had gained the room below. Cornered and desperate I threw my

H! what beautiful apples!" said she, stopping sudden.

I fied like a deer through the field in the stopping sudden. and, completely exhausted, I gained at last a piece of wood about a mile apples she stop-ped to admire, was a fine one,

As I lay panting upon the ground I heard the clauging of a bell, then several, until in a moment the air seemed filled with their brazen peals. and its branches hung full of delicious red fruit.
"I dearly love apples," she resumed. Springing to my feet I looked toward the town and I was horrified to see great sheets of flames issuing from the barn, where, in my mad flight, I had overturned the lantern. In a few moments the fire spread to the adjoining building and soon the whole street was in a blaze. Above the pealing of the balls I seemed to "I dearly love apples," she resumed.
"I will find the owner of the orchard and ask him for some," I said.
"I prefer stolen apples," said she, quietly and a little sharply.

This cry of the heart, and of the stomach, which revealed the natural fancy of the woman, recalled to my mind the temptation several thousand years ago. Without wishing to decry Mother Eve's beauty, I must say that she could not by any possibility have been so deliciously pretty, or so enchantingly lovely as was my finite as she stood there gazing rapturously at those apples. the whole street was in a blaze. Above
the pealing of the bells I seemed to
hear the words: "Assassin!" "Robber!" "Incendiary!" shricked in menacing tones. And well I knew that I
merited those infamous epithets.
Yes, I, who had dreamed of a life of
honor, had committed three terrible
crimes in a few moments, by an enchainment of circumstances all pro-

she stood there gazing repturously at those apples.

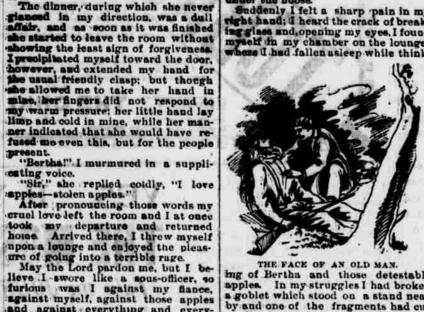
"The ditch is not wide and the wall is not very high." said my temptress, who looked as demure and innocent as a nun. This was plainly an invitation directed to my physical abilities. It was as if she had said: "You have long legs and strong arms; go and gather some apples for me."

I comprehended her meaning at once, and I also comprehended that I was placed in a very delicate situation, because if I am an officer of Chasseurs, I have distinct ideas in regard to the ownership of property. chainment of circumstances all pro-ceeding from my weakness before the caprice of a pretty woman.

I held myself in horror and detestation, and I resolved that in place of trying to save a life of so little value, to yield myself up to justice at once.

With this object in view, I started for the town, and upon my arrival I went directly to my colonel and confessed my crimes This accomplished, I fell into a state of unparalleled torpor. I had no perception of time, neither of the hours nor the days, and lived as one crushed by the weight of an inexorable fatality. Two terrible shocks, however, drew me for a short time from this lethargy. The day when condemned by a council of war, I stood before the comrades of my regiment, to undergo the horrible cere-mony of degradation, I asked myself how it was possible to suffer such how it was possible to suffer such shame and live. Then came my trial before the civil authorities, who hastily condemned me to death. The decree of death was a deliverance; but I dreaded the mode of execution, and I recoiled in horror from the scaffold. "Not that! not that!" I cried and struggled madly

against those who tried to place me under the roose.
Suddenly I felt a sharp pain in my right hand; I heard the crack of breaking glass and, opening my eyes, I found myself in my chamber on the lounge, where I had fallen asteep while think-



THE FACE OF AN OLD MAN. apples. In my struggles I had broken a goblet which stood on a stand near and one of the fragments had cut

and against myself, against those apples and against everything and everybody. How could a promenade begun so happily end so disastrously? Is the caprice of a pretty woman of so much importance? But was she slone culpable? Was I not equally to be blamed for having surrendered myself my hand.
The next day I told Bertha all about my agonies, real and imaginary. "It seems to me," I said in an impressive nanner, "that my dream conveys asolemn warning and-" "Be tranquil, my dear." she said, "I

shall never ask you to steal apples for me again." "Oh, thanks!" I cried.
"No," she resumed, "if I want any

apples I shall know enough not to ask you to get them for me; I shall steal them myself. I do really think I shall have trouble with that girl yet.

A CURIOUS COMPOSITION. Written With a Needle by a Bailet

Dancer Who Knew no Music. Rameau, the celebrated French composer (1683-1764), is responsible for a very curious composition. The famous bailet dancer Salls, with whom he entertained very friendly relations, asked him one day to give her some instruction in the science of composing that she might immortalize herself by a composition of her own.

Half ironically, half gallantly, Rameau replied that it was unnecessary for him to give her any lessons, as all she would have to do was to wield the needle with which she produced such delicate embroid-eries. He took some note paper from his pocket and directed her to place stitch upon stitch within the staff or near the same. The beauti- its way, at a constantly increasing ful girldid as she asked, and when she price, to Europe or America. had finished Rameau took the sheet and transformed the stitches into notes. Not one was omitted by him. while he changed their value, etc. and prefixed the clef when he had finished. He then played the composition, greatly to the delight of the

harming dancer. The outcome of this little pleasantry was an exceedingly peculiar and piquant melody which Rameau later on embodied in his opera "Las Indes Galantea" It was played and sung with great success and became very popular. Under the title of "Les Sauvages" it was for a long ment, and I bore him to the ground. I at once relaxed my hold upon his throat and springing to my feet, I was about to fly, when to my honror he attered a deep groan, followed by a sound which, when once heard, can never be forgotten—the death rattle. I lit a match and, falling on my knees, held it close to the prostrate man's face. Great God, what a speciacle! time one of the most popular melodies of the age.

A Dry Geyson

There is a hole in Yellowstone park supposed to be a "dry geyser." which is believed to be "bottomless." into it without meeting with obstruc-

what I saw by the flickering light of my match.

I also as we close beside his head the sharp and ragged polat of a large stone and the cause of his death was at once rewealed to me.

The moving lights of several lanterns in the distance warned me that the report of the old man's gun had aroused his family and neighbors, and, at once losing all control over myself, I fied, like a madman, straight before me.

At the end of a few steps I brought up suddenly against the door of an ont-house, and, pressing on the latch. I penetrated into a region much darker than the night outside. I hastily lif a match, and looking about I saw a lantern hanging upon a nail directly in front of ms. I lit the lantern at once, and by means of its light discovered a ladder, which led to a loft above.

I scrambled up the ladder and found

Cost of Milk Varies.

The New Hampshire experiment farm finds that milk from the best cows costs one and a half cents a quart; from their pocrest, four and a half cents a guart; from their pocrest, fo Cost of Milk Varies.

HIS ODD COAT.

The Jolly Old Gentleman Chuckled When He Thought of It.

He was a humorous old gentleman, and said many good things. But the reason why he lived so long was not not nich of a road, being only twentygenerally known. He imparted the seven miles long, though it was at It was a winter's day; many young longer. It has never had any rolling fellows of that age would have been stock, and for a thile has been leased sitting by the fireside; not so this and operated by the Rock Island road. brisk and hearty young fellow, writes Its business has fallen off with the Walter Besant in the London Queen. hard times to practically nothing at He was walking in the January sun; all, and when the Rock Island's lease be had on an old brown greatcoat, expired recently it was not renewed. with a woolen muffler round his neck Mr. Soule went out and took a look at and Canadian mittens, which are it, and then went to Chicago and sold quite the best things for winter wear, the rails and ties to a contrator, who on his hands. Seeing him afar off I wanted to use them in Texas. When knew him by the old brown coat he went to take up the road the peowhich, by dist of long wear, had as ple of the country through which the sumed something of it's owner's road passed opposed it, and shape. A shabby old coat, stained the United States district judge with age, discolored in patches and enjoined him from pulling up ragged at the cuffs. I told him this, the track. Soule says that long as I remembered him at all. It what he pleases with it, but the court was a coat, I said, that would never says that though he owns, he road wear out. He laughed. "It will last the people of the country through me out," he said, pleasantly. Then which it passes have their rights in it, he laughed again and turned so as to too. face the sunshine. "I will tell you about this coat," he said. "It has kept me alive. Either I or the coat must prove the survivor. I am pretty old, as you know-one of the old-Sir Moses Montefiore when he died -which is encouraging - but old as men go. Well, sir, it seems only yesterday that I was 80 80 only yester-day." he sighed. "Time passes. Life is horribly short. Sixteen years ago I was 80. On that birthday I overheard my daughters talking. They are dear affectionate children," he added, but cheesparing. They were talking about my old brown coat—it was old then—sixteen years ago. 'It's good enough for another year, said one. 'Quite,' said the other. 'In the nature of things, said one. lady abbesses. Besides the title Quite so,' said the other. It carries with it a substantial emoluwould be a needless expense. said one. 'Quite needless,' said the Ladies pays \$30,000 a year, and a few other. That was sixteen years ago, years' incumbancy will put the lady and the coat and I have come to an in a very comfortable position to beand the coat and I have come to an understanding-we are trying to out- gin housekeeping. live each other. At present I'll
back myself. 'A needless expense.'
Ho! Ho! 'Quite in the nature of
things.' Ha! Ha!" So he walked
away chuckling. All that winter and
the next he wore the old brown coat.
In the following summer I heard that

replaced. When autumn came the antidote to the poison of miasms in the sys old man sat beside the fire. He had tem and a safeguard against it thoroughly to no great coat, and he did not ask for be relied upon. In the event of a malarious one. The last time I saw him he chuckled again. "I've outlasted even that old coat," he said, "and clous than any drug. Use the Bitters for dys now it would be a needless expense pepsis, biliousness constitution, kidney quite needless. Because in the nature of things-" He turned his Scrubbing a pig with soap will not take face to the fire and lapsed into si- the love of mud out of his heart. lence. Before the end of the year he was silent forever. Weighing the Earth. The earth has not been put in a

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Called to Mind. Apropos of the old story: "And now," said the preacher, turning the hour-glass which in those days was placed upon the ledge before him as a reminder to be merciful, "we will

which is believed to be "bottomlesa." slight masceration in the first stom-Three thousand feet of line, with ach. In the second stomach it is weight attached, has been let down rotted into small balls. These calls are brought up into the mouth again and chewed. That process is called "chewing the cud." Being again swallowed they pass into the third stomach and from that into the fourth, where final digestion takes place. When about to swallow food a second time the cow closes the entrances to the first and second stomachs, so that no miscarriage is possible.

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Mr. J. S. Soule of New York own

a railroad in Kansas and is very much cret to me himself when he was 95, first intended to be a great deal said that he had worn that coat as the road is his, and that he can do An Abbess to Wed.

It is not generally supposed that lady abesses are marriageable people. but there seems to be exceptions to st men in the world—not so old as Archduchess Caroline of Austria, who all rules. It is announced that the is the Lady Abbess of the Convent of Noble Ladies of Pola, is betrothed to Prince August, of Sage-Coburg-Gotha. It is said that the ladies of the house of Hapsburg become abbesses and prioresses much as the gentlemen of the imperial house used to become bishops and archbishops, for what there is in archduchesses that they are sure to be married if they can only become ment. The Convent of the Noble

In the following summer I heard that the coat had contracted moth—sen ile moth—they called it. It was not with Hostetter's Stomach Bitters a thorough with Hostetter's Stomach Bitters a thorough

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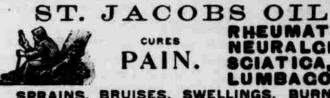
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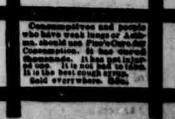
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eral days this week.

weather, none that was very cold.

-Mr. S. H. Johnson was out seeing after matters on his farm, or Thursday evening and a slow rain who is in Dallas this week, for an indays this week.

-Mr. Goodwin of Quannah, who has some property interests in Haskell, was here this week. WINE OF CARDUI, a Tonic for Women.

county is visiting his brother Mr. N. with a first-class stock of everything he will bring us a box of fine Ha-C. Smith of this place.

-Cost will be added on all non resident taxes after February 28. W. B. Anthony.

-Our job office turned out a 20 page law brief this week for Messrs. Baldwin & Lomax.

-Mr. S. L. Robertson, one of our prominent merchants, made a business trip to Abilene this week.

-Great bargains in boys' overcoats and children's cloaks at F. G. Alexander & Co's for the next few days. Now is the time to get cheap wraps for your children.

resident taxes after February 28 W. B. Anthony

some improvements made on his

McElree's Wine of Cardul and THEDFORD'S BLACK-DRAUGHT are

-Boys and youths overcoats at Call on or address. Bodson & Halsey's.

-If there was much in the way of local news floating around town this week we couldn't find it, and when we can't find it we can't print

Susie, arrived this week and are at 1894, at the office of said bank in Mr. Walter Wright's, who is a broth- Haskell. J. L. Jones, Cashier. er of Mrs. Lyon.

-Mr. J. S. Rike left Mr. Ellis to keep store by himself this week and went out to see about the fencing of another section of land and some ad- ey I am authorized to offer some additional improvements on his farm. specal bargains in real estate, good

strictly for cash, but we will make to see me. prices so low that it will pay you to trade with us. Call and see.

Respectfully, W. W. Fields & Bro.

-There's another deputy sheriff at Mr. A. W. Apringer's. He is quite Bennett, who also preached on young yet, being only three days old, Thursday night. Rev. Abe Mulkey but Wit thinks he will be able to summon the next grand jury.

fruits. They are out of sight. Dodson & HALSEY.

Try BLACK-DRAUGHT tea for Dyspepsia. -We were favored with a shower of rain last Saturday, which exerted a refreshing influence on wheat. Farmers say that wheat that has been in the ground for some time is now coming up a good stand

Receipt Worth \$1,000.00.

Take one peck of wheat and boil with water until cooked. Take one bottle of BASS' DOG POISON, dissolve in a quart or so of hot water, pour some on the wheat stiring all the time so that each grain of wheat will get some of the poison; add 1 1/2 pint of molases, stir well, then add flour enough to coat each grain, put about one teaspoonful to each hole and if posible put out on a still day after a bad spell of weather. If you will use Bass' Poison and follow these directions your dogs will go. Your Drug Man or Bass Bros., Abilene, Texas, will supply the poison.

-Mr. Scott is having a wind mill feet of the top.

fire on Wednesday morning. A defective flue caused the fire.

-We are informed that the Muling after business in the country sev- key revival at Seymour resulted in over one hundred conversions, and seventy-eight accessions to the -January is more than half gone Methodist church. The citizens pre- tree planted thus will do all right sickness in my life. I have heard and we have had but little cold sented a purse of \$275 to Mr. Mul- until rain comes in the spring.

more before it is done.

-Mr. R. C. Lomax, with his 225 acres of wheat on his mind, burst morning just ahead of a shower with 'Aint this glorious! By Ned, I feel better than I have before in six

-Mr. A. H. Tandy is having the large printing offices.

For Rent. HOTEL AND LIVERY STABLE.

I have for rent, the City Hotel, in Haskell, 14 rooms all well furnished, for sale by the following merchants in conveniently located, will also rent A. P McLemore the Haskell livery stable, near hotel.

> J. G. SIMMONS, Haskell, Texas. Notice.

The regular annual election of seven directors of the Haskell National Bank, of Haskell, Texas, will Jan'y 13th, 1894.

Land for Sale.

On account of the scarcity of mon-FENSEE'S WINE OF CARDUI for Wesk Nerves. lands at \$2.00, \$3.00 and \$3.50 per F. P. MORGAN.

The Meeting. The protracted meeting was begun on Wednesday night at the court house by a sermon from Rev. N. B arrived on Wednesday evening, but being pretty well tired out by his ten -See our California evaporated days labors at Seymour and the trip to Haskell, he took a couple of days rest, preaching his first sermon last night. The meeting will now go forward in earnest. Much interest is felt by our people in the result.

> FOR DYSPEPSIA Coc Brown's Iron Hitters

All dealers keep it. \$1.00 per bottle. Genuing

-A number of persons, we underput up in the Abbott pasture, now stand, were deterred from planting leased by Mr. Middleton, ten miles fruit trees during the fall by dry northwest of town. They have a weather. A horticultural journal very fine well of water, only twelve tells how to successfully overfeet deep and the water within seven | come this difficulty, as follows: Mix dirt and water to the consistency of -Mr. John Gossett, who lives in thick paste in a tub, and, the holes the northeast part of the county, was, for the trees being ready, dip the Mr. Editor. so unfortunate as wo lose his resi- roots of the trees into the mud, then -Our enterprising saddler, Mr. dence and most of its contents by set the tree and cover the roots with fine soil, packing it well with the toot, leaving the hole only about twothirds full of earth. When the trees are set thus pour in from one to two had not been sick in two years, and buckets of water and when this sinks now me and both of my children are fill up the hole with dry dirt. The sick, and I never heard the like of

-A Dallas News reporter struck -The clouds came over us on our townsman, Mr. Ed. J. Hamner, rather, that of Johnson Bros., several fell most of that night and frequent terview on the political situation, and showers continued to fall up to the somebody got things pretty well mix--Only a few ladies cloaks left at time the paper went to press Friday ed. Mr. Hamner is spoken of as F. G. Alaxander & Co's, and they afternoon. What has already fallen the district attorney in a western are going to close them out. You will do much good, but the clouds district bigger than the state of can get one nearly at your own price. are low and heavy, promising much Rhode Island. And it is stated that he is a candidate for re-election. -As Mr. J. W. Bell left for Dal- The Free Press is interested in knowlas the other day, he requested the ing whether it was Mr. Hamner or Free Press to tell his customers and the News reporter that had too much -Mr. Ace Smith of Comanche friends that he would soon return "tangle foot." If it was Mr. H. and in the harness and saddle line, and vanas and a case of Mnm's extra dry, would be in shape to fit them up just | we will keep mum and try to keep the facts from his wife.

> 'RAH for Gov. Mitchell! He has place in the state of Florida.

In a copy of the Farmersville, months!" There are a good many Times, shown us this week, we noticed an editorial detailing an intercompliments of THE HOUSTON POST view with general manager Fratt of The above is printed from a line of the Sherman, Shreveport and Southtype cast on a solid bar of metal just eastern railroad, in which he stated the right height and length to drop in that while it had not been definitely place and print from. It came from settld he hoped that his company beat this with its quinine and calo--Cost will be added on all non- the Post in a letter, and was made on would be enabled to build to Shreve- mel, and leave you a small surplus one of the new type-setting and cast- port and as far west as Jacksboro over. ing machines now in use in many of this year. The Times expresses its faith in Mr. Fratt and in the accomplishment of the extensions spoken of Building to Jacksboro will be a To the Free Press. good step toward Haskell, where we hope to see it within another year.

> THE gold reserve fund and other government funds are melting away under the drain made upon them by McCarty and Pratt will cultivate pensions and general expenses, and some three hundred acres this year; in consequence of reduced receipts, one hundred and twelve acres in and it now seems that Secretary Carlisle will be compelled to issue bonds in order to reinstate the gold reserve and avert a deficiency.

creating additional public debt by a ing well, considering the dry season, -Mrs. Lyon and daughter. Miss be held on Tuesday, February 13th, bond issue, but governments, like individuals, some times get in a tight and have to borrow.

republican extravagance and mis- and D. Livingood made a trip to management, and the democrats lfave Anson last week and found the town

in calling a meeting of the state ex- we had some railroad prospectors ecutive committee of the Clark wing with us las week. They were deof Texas democrts has raised quite lighted with the country and we -In future we will sell groceries acre cash. If you want to buy come a furore in political circles, and it learn that they bought some land seems to us, much ado about nothing. from Messrs. J. F. Adams, C. F. The hot heads of the other side are Hide and G. T. Baggett, Sr. The shouting themselves hourse crying, prospectors were from Walnut chance for harmony," etc. The country property there for land here. fact is that those who are in such There were also some drummers haste to raise this cry don't want from McKinney stopping with us harmony and, hail with delight any- this week. Mr. A. R. Davis made bray-or, at least, it looks so to a M. Perry and W. M. Ward are gone quiet observer. If it were otherwise, to Abilene. lieve such is the case.

HILL COUNTY VS. HASKELL

Letter from a Former Haskell County Farmer.

Health in Hackell Beats Quintae in Kill.

HILLSBORO, Jan. 16, 1894.

I desire through the Free Press to

send my friends in Haskell county greeting and a few words of advice. I left Haskell Dec. 27th with my two children. We were well and people in that county complain of hard times and nothing to eat, but just bread and meat there beats calomel and quinine here, and, as for hard times, there are plenty of people in Hill county that are in worse shape than any family in Haskell. If they don't get help they will surely suffer, it not for food they will for raiment. Many are living in wagons and old tents, so, take old Haso he here and hear of the amount of

Corn is worth 40 to 50 cts. and our beautiful country; we have plengot his Irish up and says the Corbet oats 40 to 45 cts. here and scarce at two froom and invite you to the into the Free Press office yesterday Mitchell prize fight shail not take that, so you see a man can live as Banner county of the state, where easy in Haskell as he can in the you will find the best lands in Northbrag county of Hill.

> There are plenty of people in this county that want to go west, but they have heard so many bad tales out there they would starve. W. K. PERRY.

Paint Creek Pencilings.

Paint creek, Jan. 15th.

Saturday. Mr. D. G. Hisey and J. L. Warren have been sowing oats and others will begin soon. Messrs wheat, one hundred and fifty in oats and the balance in cotton. They run a gang plow and work six horses We have been wholly opposed to abreast. Stock generally are winterscarcity of water and so on. beautiful spring-like weather makes In this instance it is the result of our ladies talk of gardening. R. I. dull compared with Haskell. In THE action of Chairman Matlock fact Paint creek is on a real boom the fight is on, no longer any Springs and traded some town and thing that gives them an excuse to a trip to Abilene last week. Messrs.

they would wait and see what action | Died at his home on Willow Paint, the meeting takes. So far as we Mr. Wilson Culberson last Tuesday have seen or heard we have no reas- evening. Deceased was just in the on to blieve that the purpose of the bloom of youth and a member of the meeting may not be to discuss means Methodist church, having been bapof effecting a reconciliation. In tised by Rev. Bass last summer dur- day of January 1894. fact we hope and are inclined to be- ing the protracted meeting at this place. The hereaved family have

the sincere sympathy of the entire

-THE

DEIO CHEMICAL CO.

community. Mr. D. Taylor is able to ride again after a tussle with the grippe; all who have had it are convalescing kell and balance her with the black and no more cases to report. We land of Hill and you will see that have just learned that Mrs. J. S. Haskell is still in the ring. She Post has been quite sick but is has better health, better society, bet- better at this time. We see from ter country schools and less stealing. reading the Iron Record, La Fayett, It would surprise any Haskell man Texas, that some of their young men thieving that is going on all over this to all who contemplate a change, we would say come to Haskell and see

west Texas. R. L. Livingood and J. W. Gardener have returned from a visit to relatives of R. L's. near Fort Mcthat they think if they were to get Kavett. They spent a fine time To with plenty of sport, such as music, such persons I say try it and see if dancing, hunting and beautiful plenty to eat and good health don't young ladies to converse with, and express a strong desire to return next Xmas, if not sooner, and it looks somewhat suspicious, as we know always the hardest times bring about the most marriages: Mr. R. L. looks the worse by his trip, while Mr. Gardener gained some There was just a sprinke of rain twenty pounds. Farewell to the old year; it has passed away and, now, Mr. Editor, we wish you, with your many readers, a happy new year.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF HASKELL, S By virtue o an execution issued out of the Honorable District Court of Haskell County, on 28th day of October, 1893, by the Clerk thereof, in the case of R. A. Brown et al, versus R. M. Thomson et al, No. 60, and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, within the hours prescribed by law for sheriff's sales on the first Tuesday in February, A. D. 1894, it being the sixth day of said month, before the Court House door of said Haskell county, in the town of Haskell, the following described property, to wit:

The E. P. Elder 186 acre survey of land situated in Haskell county, Texas, known as abstract No. 655, Certificate No. 507, Survey No. 13, and patented to R. M. Thomson and John K. Donnan on 16 Nov. 1886 by patent No. 419 vol. 36; for further description reference is made to said patent for description. Levied on as the property of R.

M. Thomson to satisfy a judgment for costs amounting to \$186.05 in favor of R. A. Brown and J. C. Roberts, cost of suit.

Given under my hand, this 8th

W. B. ANTHONY.

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To Home Seekers.

CONGRESSMAN COCKRELL made speech on the tariff question in the house last week. He argued a rilest protective duties from the stands point of their uncon titutionality,

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