Haskell, Haskell County, Texas, Saturday, Dec. 25, 1897.

No. 52.

STILL

TOYS And CHRISTMAS TRICKS

-LITTLE FOLKS AND OTHER FOLKS.-

We have just received the bills for

700 POUNDS OF TOYS AND CHRISTMAS GOODS

the the Santa Claus has made our Store Headquarters From which the Christmas trees of Haskell and several other counties can be loaded.

direct from the importers and purchased at prices that will enable us to sell them so low that every child in the county can have a present this year.

These goods were not purchased on a blind order, but were selected piece by piece and there is no worthless trash in the lot.

COME AND SEE THEM, you will be pleased with the GOODS AND PRICES.

CANDY, TOO, 650 POUNDS! THE PUREST AND BEST TO BE FOUND FOR THE HOLIDAYS.

To also have a complete line of seasonings, sauces, and materials for mince meats, fruit cakes, etc. Forget after all this that we still have as complete a stock of staple and fancy Dry goods, gents furnishing goods and clothing as can be found in this country.

DOWN It is getting late in the season and we have determined to cut prices down so as to clear our sto and prepare for a big spring stock. COME AND LET US PROVE IT TO YOU.

WE ESPECIALLY INVITE the attention of the gentlemen to our large stock of gents furnishing goods at cut prices

ET IT AT OUR StORE—anything you want—we've got it.

Yours for business,

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LINDSEY. AN & SURGEON.

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You three papers a week, or 165, for a ridiculously low price.
Transacription at once. This low for 20 days.

ICE, SLEET AND SNOW.

All of North and West Texas Covered.

On Friday night of last week the most severe spell of cold weather "in the memory of the oldest inhabitant" for the time of year set in. A cold wind came from Knondikeward and a light sleet fell. It remained cold and cloudy during Saturday, a cold mist, half frozen, falling in the gether by a mist, making a hard crust this. over the earth and the cold increasdepth of one and a half or two inches to almost inextricable confusion. There was a slight thaw during the day, but at night there was again erly direction, got back to the north in. Between two stations on the News and the temperature dropped to 14 degrees above zero, being the lowest point it had reached. Fortunately the wind was not very strong at any time. With a strong wind the cold would have been felt much more se-

We append the following from the Dallas News of Monday, which shows the severity of the spell over north Texas generally:

"Dallas was almost completely cut off from the outside world yesterday. All of the wires of the Western Union and the Postal Telegraph companies were down in every direction. The telephone company was almost as badly crippled, but along in the evening got a wire to Galveston and over this The News got its brief tel-

egraphic service. The telegraph people say that this is the worst tie-up in the history of the companies. Saturday they were working one ca two of the long circuits and supposed at they might pull through in some sort of shape, though considerably battered. Yesterday the thaw set in and the damage was trebled. Poles are down

by the hundreds, wires snapped beneath the weight of ice, falling trees got in their work and from one cause and another not a message was able to go through. For only part of the day the Postal was working with Texarkana. From there business went to Memphis the best way it

Reports from all over the state received by The News are to the effect that the storm was general over north, evening and adhering to twigs, limbs east and west Texas and that its and grass and coating them with a severity was not tempered. Farmers thick sheet of ice. During the night are of the opinion it will be of benefit and early Sunday morning there was to winter wheat, but the loss in catmore sleet, which was cemented to the and sheep may counterbalance

The r ilroads have had their ed until all water holes were frozen schedules badly disarranged by the over solidly. Sunday night and early storm. All trains into Dallas were Monday morning snow fell to the late and the prostration of wires led

Estimates of damage in the north end of the state vary from \$25,000 to a tight freeze. Tuesday night, the \$100,000. Accurate figures will not sleet and wind, which had shifted to a south- be obtainable till all the reports are It has

To Cure a Cold in One Day.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All Druggists retund the w. money if it fails to cure. 25c.

Greve's Ointment



Obstinate Skin Diseases, Eccema, Piles, Burns, Sprains, Infiammation, Swellings, and all Irritations of the skin, readily yield to its soothing relief it affords from Chapped Skin, Chilbiains, Frost-Bites, and as a skin Cure generally, is of such value to everyone, that all should have it Socta. Ask you druggist for it.

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of any Other BRAND.

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20 days f Dec. 24 we will sel on our lines fare for roun Jan. 3rd, 189 ing what the tillers of the soil can C. P. Davidson, Agt. An Uncertain Discare.

There is no disease more uncertain in its nature than dyspepsia. Physicians say that the symptoms of no two cases agree. It is therefore most difficult to make a correct diagnosis. No matter under what diagnosis dyspepsia attacks you, Browns' Iron Bitters will cure it. Invaluable in all diseases of the stomach, blood and nerves. For sale by AU Dealers.

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B. Y. P. U.

rogram for Dec. 26th 3 p. m.

ong and prayer. Devotional exercises, led by H. R.

Lesson: Getting Ready for Usefulness, I Tim. 4:12-16. Bible reading on lesson, R. E. home again. No mother should be wi hout

Solo, Mrs. H. R. Jones. Paper, Miss Alice Pierson. Reading, Miss Belle Rupe. Recitation, Miss Georgia Johnson. Hair Baisam restores its color and life.

Quarantine Notice.

Stockmen take notice that under 300 Suith 3 F of reducing acreage in Suith and taking effect January 1st, 1898, no Address J. F. Draughon, Pres't, at ng and bringing out the cattle will be allowed to go north out Draughon's 10.018 Snattactical men on the sub- of a line pasture, neither will any Practical..... 10.018 News is offering six prizes, cattle be allowed to come into a line Business VOLUME 18 wit: \$50, \$25, \$10 and three of \$5 pasture from below the quarantine MASHVILLE, TERM., CALVESTOR AND TEXAMENTAL return each for the best articles ennumerat- line. Parties having cattle in such The most thorough, from plant and cultivate to best advantage pastures will do well to place them and how the produce can be realized in pastures entirely above the quarto best advantage. All articles to be antine line before these rules go into mailed before Jan. 15, 1898. Put on effect, if they want to move them your thinking cap and write the north in the spring. A line pasture study Every farmer should read the arti- is one through which the quarantine cles that will be brought out by this line runs.

CHEERFULNESS

G. P. A.

We like the home where cheerfulness dwells,

for it betokens happiness and health--good things to have, not so easy to keep. Many mothers would doubtless be cheerful if they had health, but it persistently cludes them. Weak -- nervous - in distress -- despondent, it is: little wonder that they get discouraged, yet Parker's Ginger Tonichas in myriads of such' cases supplied the pressing need. Nu rition. the blood, the functional energies are reinforced by it. It revives the heart power, pupifica; and revitalizes. Pains disappear, sleep andstreng h return and cheerfulness reigns in the

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ne runs. R. M. CLAYTON,
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Torms 61 50 per annum, invariably cash in

Saturday, Dec. 18, 1897.

LOCAL DOTS.

have returned to Haskell after an Poole was appointed advertising count, \$11 to \$14. absence of a year or more.

for Abilene this week, where they the will make their home in the future.

-Just come to see me with your cash if you want LOW prices.

S. L. ROBERTSON.

-Mr. J. A. Kemp, senior member of the Kemp Grocery company of Wichita Falls visited our town this week.

-Miss Nelia Bryant of Jacksboro who has been visiting the family of thing is going to be put through \$12 and panhandle and plains \$12 her uncle, Mr. A. H. Bryant, at this place left on Tuesday.

-Dry goods, groceries, boots, shoes, hats, &c., all CHEAP at S. L. Robertson's

-It is thought that county candidates will begin to blossom out when the christmas festivities are

-Mr. A. C. Foster returned on last Saturday from Houston where he attended the annual meeting of the Masonic Grand Lodge.

-Do yon want a Mittchell wagon best made; if so see W. W. Fields & Bro., who will sell it to you at Abilene price.

-When sly old bachelors buy residences and order new buggies it is reasonable to suppose that something else will happen soon.

-Ladies come and see our millinery department, its the only First-Class ever here; its private and nice. T. G. CARNEY & Co.

-Messrs E. L. Roberts and G. W. Hazlewood disappeared one day this week and, it is said, they have gone to Abilene. When you hear the bells ringing you'll know why.

-Mrs. McCollum's elocution class will give a recital at the old court house Wednesday evening Dec. 22nd An interesting program has been arranged and all are invited to attend. Doors open at 7 o'clock. Admission 15cts.

-I am still in the grocery business with a choice selection of first-class groceries-Staples and substantials, just such as are specially adapted to Holiday trade. S. L. ROBERTSON,

-We are informed that the work on the telephone line is progressing fairly well. at a satisfactory rate. The holes for the poles have been dug from Seymour to Throckmorton and poles are now being distributed on the section from the latter place to Has-

-Say boys that little play made a bargain. on men hats last week don't go. We can knock that play to pieces. Come condition. Write us. and see us. T. G. CARNEY & Co.

-The young ladies have organized a new society among themselves which they call the A. A. A's or changes approve our suggestions in gest a feasible and profitable plan of Triple A's. What it means we don't regard to making a war of extermi- work to a meeting of interested citiknow, unless it is that old bachelors nation on the prairie dogs. It would zens. should take courage and Ask the be worth hundreds of thousands of

Angel's Assent. that this is just the time of year that this section could do their constituevery creditor of mine wants his ency no greater service than to agimoney. I respectfully ask that you settle. Now don't think that this is nold of it in a way that will lead to not aimed for you, if you owe even a that end. small amount. Respectfully.

S. L. ROBERTSON.

-Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Lemmon their marriage on Friday night of last week by entertaining a few friends at an elegant supper.

The guests were Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Tandy, Prof. and Mrs. W. W. Hentz, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Wilbourn, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Collins, Mrs. L. N. Riter and Mrs. J. C. Keller. A very pleasant evening was spent by the party and Mr. and Mrs. Lemof nice presents.

-Candies of every variety from turn dristribute through this section common stick to the choicest dainties the products and goods of the north. in the confection line. These are While the company is doubtless especially bought for the christmas pretty well advised in a general way trade. They are the nicest goods in of the productions and volume of town. You should come at once business to be acquired by an extenand make your selection of candies, sion into this territory, a corresponnuts, oranges and apples. If you dence with them and the furnishing don't wish to carry them home now of detailed information in regard to we will mark your name on them and our immediate section, if desired by deliver them on Xmas eve evening them, might lead to our future ad-Call early. S. L. ROBERTSON.

STATE COW-BOYS REUNION

A susiness meeting of the Fort

Worth Live Stock exchangeon Mon-

prominent stockmen from over the

Southern Texas-Cows \$14 to \$16

Western Texas-Cows \$17 to \$20.

Panhandle and plains-Cows \$18

Buyers are numerous, scouring the

South Texas \$8 to \$10, central

the city and reports a large number

year-olds for spring delivery at \$15

For a year or more there has been

of Texas, mostly to the southern por-

people whose main desire in ch ang-

ing their place of residence is to es-

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seem that they are a desirable class

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awaken their energies and go to

work on this line looking for profit

from their investments will be a case

of hope deferred, and waiting for its

But the advantages of the country

in comparison to many others are

such that we believe very gratifying

results could be brought about by

properly directed effort and at a cost

not too great to undertake. If called

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they are strong and healthy a

lation of the menstrual function. It cures all "female troubles." It

is equally effective for the girl in

her teens, the young wife with do-mestic and maternal cares, and

the woman approaching the period known as the "Change of Life." They all need it. They are all benefitted by it.

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woman is very seldom sick.

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\$24 to 27, threes \$30 to \$32.

steers, ones \$15 to \$17. twos \$20 to

steers, ones, \$12 to \$15, twos \$15 to

\$20, threes \$17 to \$24, fours \$19 to

in southern Texas.

Preparations for this Unique Affair day was attended by a good many Already Under Way

state, and the News correspondent A business meeting of subscribers made use of the occasion to acquire the information as to prices containto the fund for the entertainment of ed in the following clipping, which the State Cow-Boys' Keumon to be we suppose will be of interest to our held at Haskell next August was cattle men Entered at the Post Office, Haskell, Texas. held on Tuesday afternoon. Gen. . "Diligent inquiry among cattle

eral Manager Major Smith reported ent parts of the state indicate that the appointment of committees on the prices ruling for cattle of all certain lines of work. Steps were sorts for spring delivery are as tolinaugurated for providing an abund- lows ant supply of water for all purposes and for securing control of proper -Mr. J. W. Wright and family grounds for the entertainment. J. E. \$27; stock cattle, no calves of '98 to agent and instructed to begin opera- Central Texas-About \$1 per head -Mr. S. W. York and family left tions at the San Antonio meeting of more is demanded than prices asked stockmens association next

> It was reported in the meeting \$23, threes \$25 to \$28. that the impression had gone out in some quarters -or was attempted to to \$22, steers, ones \$16 to \$21, twos be made-that Haskell had dropped the reunion and it was denounced as country for calves for immediate debeing entirely without foundation, livery, and a summary of prices offand the Free Press was requested to ered for this class of stock is as folsay to the boys that Haskell is lows: still with them and that the whole Texas \$9 to \$11, west Texas \$10 to

-Mr. D. W. Courtwright has a of contracts made thus far this fall brother from Kansas City visiting him in his section for yearlings and 2-

according to Hoyle and on schedule to \$15

-M. Bob Livingood got in this to \$20. He states that there is no week from the southwest. He says he lack of buyers, coming chiefly from will remain here until spring and may west Texas and Kansas. remain permanently,

-Figure with us if you want low quite a noticeable immigration moveprices. We don't mind loosing a few ment from the middle west and Last year was a hard year dimes if we can get your love, influ- northwest to Louisiana and portions ence and tongue to going our way. tion of the state, which has been

T. G. CARNEY & Co largely advertised. These immi--Mr. Tom Wright and a brother- grants are a thrifty, energetic and in-law named Stewart from Will. generally fairly well to-do set of amson county are arranging to start another blacksmith shop in Haskell, cape the rigors of the northwestern

-Take your hides and furs to S. climate. From w at we have read Edwards of Seymour, who will pay the highest market prices for them. of people for any country to secure,

-Mr. Tom Griffin got in Thurs- and it has seemed to the Free Press might profit largely by some judicious horses for Dr. Gilbert. He had the misfortune to lose, by death, a good which they are coming. That so far horse on the way.

-The Haskell jail is full of peo- Texas may readily be accounted for ple, but they are all immigrants section has made any effort to place camped there and looking for farms its advantages before them or to cor-

with homeseekers are arriving singly ignorantly at first by geographers and in squadrons. Most of the new putting it on their maps as the great arrivals want to rent farms for the American desert and, later, by perfirst year, but as about all the farms sons having a selfish interest in that are for rent have been taken up preventing its settlement. That those coming hereafter should be this misrepresentation has abated to Yours in the true bonds of friendship, is comparatively easy to do on the the wrong that has been done; it will open prairies where no grubbing is require energetic and steady effort required. Cotton, sorghum, Kaffir to bring the country before the world corn, milo maize, oats, millet, mel- in its true light within the lifetime of ons, etc. generally give good crops the people now interested in its full on new land, and wheat often does development. Unless the people

MAKE MONEY -

- By Drilling Wells! We have a Ft. Scott well business and industrial development drilling outfit which we are will be a wearing and weary task. prepared to offer for sale at

It is complete and in good Ed. S. Hughes & Co.

Abilene, Tex.

WE NOTICE that some of our ex- upon we believe that we could sugdollars to the farming and stockraising interests of Western Texas to be -If you owe me please remember rid of this pest. And the papers of tate the question of its extermination until the people are brought to take

In view of the statements contained in a New York special of the 7th inst., reproduced in the Free celebrated the 15th anniversary of Press this week, in regard to the intentions of the Rock Island railway company, it would not be amiss for our railroad committee to correspond with the proper officials of the road. It appears to us that that line could have no more profitable feeder than a line running to the southwest from some point in the Indian territory, or south of Red river, to gather up and mon were the recipients of a number carry to it the great live stock shiping business of Western Texas and in

vantage.

Wall Paper and Paint

We have sold Wall paper for twenty years. This year we have the prettiest patterns and lowest prices. Our Paint (Masurys) will stand longer than any brand of mixed paint ever used in this coun- A General Banking Basiness Transacted. Collections made and try, and twice as long as white lead.

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J. W. Moseley of Lampasas is in The above stock of goods is

not to be found on sale now, but have been on sale-some this year some last year and you know how long before that-and this means that we need and want the pay for your share of them. You know how lenient we have been with you.

and you did not make enough to pay your accounts (many of you) and we did not worry you with a continual stream of duns, but just bore the load ourselves and have carried you another year and, as fortune has smiled on us and our lands have brought forth a good harvest we now ask you to lift the burden from our shoulders by settling your accounts promptly by Dec. 1st to 15th, that we may in turn make ourselves at ease.

day night from Gordon with some for a long time that this section Now Don't Say, Alex., carry me another

year, for we bore a heavy load under your failures last year and took all the risk for this year, and there may be another year like last year and then will be time to sing the old song and have it heard.

-"Prairie schooners" freighted sions which have been propogated in regard to it for two generations-

and lets settle up and make a new start. Don't force us to call or you in person, for be sure we will see you after the given date if you don't see us before.

F. G. ALEXANDER & CO. Per Alex.

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-AND-

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Toys of every kind and description

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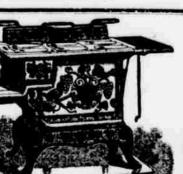


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What more could you ask? Nothing succeeds like Success Sulky Plows. If interested

Abilene, Texas.

Notice of Stockholders' Meeting. Young Bicycle, Gold Water

Notice is hereby given that the regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the Haskell National Bank will be held on Tuesday Janurary 11th, 1898, between the hours of 9 a. m. and 4 p. m., at the office of said bank in the town of Haskell, Texas, for the purpose of electing a board of directors for the ensueing year and for transacting such other business as may properly come before such meeting. J. L. JONES,

Haskell, Tex. Dec. 7, 1897.

SERMON.

SANCTIFIED MUSCLE, LAST SUNDAY'S SUBJECT.

Takes the Exciting Story of Sampson as a Suggestior -"And Sampson West Down to Timnath"-J'dgest Chapter XIX., Verse 1.



sides to the character of Samson. The one phase of his life, if followed into the partieulars, would administer to the grotesque and the mirthful; but there is a phase of his

with lessons of solemn and eternal import. To these graver lessons we devote our sermon. This giant no doubt in early life gave evidences of what he was to be. It is almost always so. There were two Napoleons the boy Napoleon and the man Napoleon-but both alike; two Howards -the boy Howard and the man Howard-but both alike; two Samsonsthe boy Samson and the man Samson -but both alike. This giant was no doubt the hero of the playground, and nothing could stand before his exhibitions of youthful prowess. At eighteen years of age he was betrothed to the daughter of a Philistine. Going down toward Timnath, a lion came upon him, and, although this young giant was weaponless, he seized the monster by the long mane and shook him as a hungry hound shakes a March hare, and made his bones crack, and left him by the wayside bleeding under the smiting of his fist and .ae grinding heft of his heel.

There he stands, looming up above other men, a mountain of flesh, his arms bunched with muscle that can lift the gate of a city, taking an attitude defiant of everything. His hair has never been cut, and it rolled down in seven great plaits over his shoulders, adding to his bulk, fierceness and terror. The Philistines want to conquer him, and therefore they must find out where the secret of his strength lies. . .

There is a dissolute woman living in the case. The Philistines are secreted in the same building, and then Delflah goes to work and coaxes Samson to tell what is the secret of his strength. "Well," he says, "if you put them around mal should be perwith the seven gree withes. Then she claps her hands id says: "They come—the Philistines and he walks out as though they re no impediment. She coaxes he again, and says: "Now, tell me secret of this great strength?" and replies: "If never been used and tie me with m I should be just like other men." is and shouts: "They come—the whelmed the cities of the plain. Listines!" He walks out as easily

re-not a single obstruc-

coaxes him again, and he if you should take these plaits of hair, and by this weave them into a web. of get away." So the houseled up, and the shuttle flies 1 and forward and the long of hair are woven into a web. n she claps her hands, and says: ney come-the Philistines!" He Iks out as easily as he did before, dragging a part of the loom with him. But after a while she persuaded him to tell the truth. He says: "If you should take a razor or shears and cut off this long hair, I should be powerless, and in the hands of my enemies." Samson sleeps, and that she may not wake him up during the process of shearing, help is called in. You know that the barbers of the East have such a skilful way of manipulating the head to this very day that instead of waking up a sleeping man, they will put a man wide awake sound asleep. 1 hear the blades of the shears grinding sagainst each other, and I see the long locks falling off. The shears or razor accomplishes what green withes and new ropes and house-loom could not do. Suddenly she claps her hands, and says: "The Philistines be upon thee, Samson." He rouses up with a strugtle, but his strength is all gone. He the hands of his enemies.

I hear the groan of the giant as they ake his eyes out, and then I see him taggering on in his blindness, feeling s way as he goes on toward Gaza. he prison door is open, and the giant thrust in. He sits down and puts hand on the mill-crank, which, h exhausting horizontal motion, s day after day, week after week th after month--work, work, work! consternation of the world in capvity, his locks shorn, his eyes punc-ered, grinding corn in Gaza!

First of all, behold in this giant of e text that physical power is not alrays an index of moral power. He as a huge man—the lion found it out, and the three thousand men whom he found it out; yet he was the subof petty revenges and out-gianted low passion. I am far from throwany discredit upon physical stam-There are those who seem to have at admiration for delicacy and kliness of constitution. I never ald see any glory in weak nerves sick headache. Whatever effort in day is made to make the men and omen more robust should have the for of every good citizen as well as every Christian. Gymnastics may sitively religious.

people sometimes ascribe to cked heart that they ought to asibe to a slow liver. The body and soul are such near neighbors that ey often catch each other's disease. se who never saw a sick day, and ho, like Hercules, show the giant in cradle, have more to answer for han those who are the subjects of lifeng infirmities. He who can lift twice much as you can, and walk twice as far, and work twice as long, will have double account to meet in the judg-

How often is it that you do not find physical energy indicative of spiritual lower? If a clear head is worth more than one diszy with perpetual vertige | who in this world was an invalid, and | your life."

an eye quick to eatch parsing objects but I did as well as I could . being eliciency just in proportion to what he has given us. Physical energy ought to be a type of moral power. We ought to have as good digestion of truth as we have capacity to assimilate food. Our spiritual hearing ought to be as good as our physical hearing. Our spiritual taste ought to be as clear as our tongue. Samsons in body, we

ought to be giants in moral power. But while you find a great many men who realize that they ought to use their money aright, and use their intelligence aright, how few men you find aware of the fact that they ought to use their physical organism aright! With every thump of the heart there is something saying, "Work! work!" character fraught and, lest we should complain that we have no tools to work with, God gives us our hands and feet, with every knuckle, and with every joint, and with every muscle, saying to us, "Lay hold and do something."

But how often it is that men with physical strength do not serve Christ! They are like a ship full manned and full rigged, capable of vast tonnage, able to endure all stress of weather, yet swinging idly at the docks, when these men ought to be crossing and recrossing the great ocean of human suffering and sin with God's supplies of mercy. How often it is that physical strength is used in doing positive dam: age, or in luxurious ease, when, with sleeves rolled up and bronzed bosom, fearless of the shafts of opposition, it ought to be laying hold with all its might, and tugging away to lift up this sunken wreck of a world.

It is a most shameless fact that much of the business of the church and of the world must be done by those comparatively invalid. Richard Baxter, by reason of his diseases, all his days sitting in the door of the tomb, yet writing more than a hundred volumes, and sending out an influence for God that will endure as long as the "Saints' Everlasting Rest." Edward Payson, never knowing a well day, yet how he preached, and how he wrote, helping thousands of dying souls like himself to "swim in a sea of glory!" And Robert M'Cheyne, a walking skeleton, yet you know what he did in Dundee, and how he shook Scotland with zeal for God. Philip in the valley of Sorek by the name of Doddridge, advised by his friends, be-Delliah. They appoint her the agent cause of his illness, not to enter the ministry, yet you know what he did for the "rise and progress of religion" in the church and in the world. *

The trouble is that when people write or speak upon this theme they should take seven treen withes, such | are apt to cover it up with the graces as they fasten wild beasts with, and of belles lettres, so that the crime is made attractive instead of repulsive. fectly powerless." she binds him Lord Byron in "Don Juan" adorns this crime until it smiles like a May queen. Michelet, the great French writer, covers it up with bewitching rhetoric, until it glows like the rising sun, when it ought to be made loathsome as a smallpox hospital. There are today influences abroad, which, if unresisted will turn our modern cities into Soties him with the ropes, claps her storm of fire and brimstone that

> religious restraints, do not realize the gulf of iniquity that bounds you on the north and the south and the east and west. While I speak there are tens of thousands of men and women going over the awful plunge of an impure life; and while I cry to God for mercy upon their souls I call upon you to marshal in the defense of your homes, your church and your nation. There is a banqueting hall that you have never heard described. You know all about the feast of Ahasuerus. where a thousand lords sat. You know all about Belshazzar's carousal, where the blood of the murdered king spurted into the faces of the banqueters. You may know of the scene of riot and wassail, when there was set before Esopus one dish of food that cost \$400,-000. But I speak now of a different banqueting hall. Its roof is fretted with fire. Its floor is tesselated with fire. Its chalices are chased with fire. Its song is a song of fire. Its walls are buttresses of fire. Solomon refers to it when he says: "Her guests are in the depths of hell."

Behold also in this giant of the text and in the giant of our own century that great physical power must crumble and expire. The Samson of the text long ago went away. He fought the lion. He fought the Philistines. He could fight anything, but death was too much for him. He may have required a longer grave and a broader grave, but the tomb nevertheless was

his terminus. If, then, we are to be compelled to go out of this world, where are we to go? This body and soul must soon part. What shall be the destiny of the former I know-dust to dust. But what shall be the destiny of the latter? Shall it rise into the companionship of the white-robed, whose sins Christ has slain? or will it go down among the unbelieving, who tried to gain the world and save their souls, but were swindled out of both? Blessed be God, we have a champion! He is so styled in the Bible. A Champion who has conquered death and hell and he is ready to fight all our battles from the first to the last. "Who is this that cometh from Edom with dyed garments from Bozrah, mighty to save?" If we follow in the wake of that Champion death has no power and the grave no victory. The worst man trusting in him shall have his dying pangs alleviated and his future

illumined In the light of this subject I want to call your attention to a fact which may not have been rightly considered by five men in all the world, and that is the fact that we must be brought into judgment for the employment of our physical organism. Shoulder, brain, hand, foot-we must answer in judgment for the use we have made of them. Have they been used for the elevation of society or for its depression? In proportion as our arm is strong and our step elastic will our account at last be intensified. Thousands of sermons are preached to invalids. I preach this morning to stout men and healthful women. We must give God an account for the right use of this physical organism.

The day approaches, and I see one

play of health as she stands before the thr we of God in them are worth more than those to answer she says, "I was s. all my frawn up la chronic "rheumatics"-if days. I had but very little ength, is better than one with vision dim and kind to those who were more at K and uncertain-then God will require of us more suffering." And Christ will say,

"Well done, faithful servant." before the throne, and she will say, "On earth I had a curvature of the spine, and I was very weak, and I was very sick; but I used to gather flowers out of the wildwood and bring them to my sick mother, and she was comforted when she saw the sweet flowers out of the wildwood. I didn't do much, but I did something." And Christ shall say, as he takes her up in his arms and kisses her, "Well done, well done, faithful servant; enter thou into the joy of thy Lord." What, then, will be said to us-we to whom the Lord gave physical strength and continuous health?

I said to an old Scotch minister, who was one of the best friends I ever had. "Doctor, did you ever know Robert Pollock, the Scotch poet, who wrote 'The Course of Time?'" "Oh, yes." he replied, "I knew him well; I was his classmate." And then the doctor went on to tell me how that the writing of "The Course of Time" exhausted the health of Robert Pollock, and he expired. It seems as if no man could have such a glimpse of the day for which other days were made as Robert Pollock had, and long survive that glimpse. In the description of that day he says, among other things:

Begin the woe, ye woods, and tell it to the doleful winds, And doleful winds wail to the howling

hills. And howling hills mourn to the dismal vales,

And dismal vales sigh to the sorrowing brooks. And sorrowing brooks weep to the weeping stream.

weeping stream awake the groaning deep; Ye heavens, great archway of the universe, put sackcloth on; And ocean, robe thyself in garb of

widowhood, And gather all thy waves into a groan, and utter it. Long, loud, deep, piercing, dolorous,

immense. The occasion asks it, Nature dies, and angels come to lay her in her

grave. What Robert Pollock saw in prophetic dream, you and I will see in positive reality-the judgment! the judgment!

A Royal Rallway Car.

The royal Danish railway car, by which the Princess of Wales and her daughter traveled through Danish territory recently, is of great historical interest, and unique in its way, it having carried in its time half the royalty of Europe. The car is of the Pullman type, but the hangings and upholstery are more showy. However, its most interesting feature is the "historical" window, on which nearly every royal traveler has scratched his or her name by the pulpit and the printing press, or nickname with a diamond. It is nearly covered with these signatures, dom and Gomorrah, fit only for the but mostly with the pet or nickname of the exalted writers. Thus we find "Bertie" and "Alix," indicating the You who are seated in your Chris- Prince and Princess of Wales; tian homes, compassed by moral and "Nicky," the present young emperor of all the Russias; while "Sachen, 1883," stands for his father, and simple "Eddy, 1887," for the late Duke of Clarence, and "George" for the Duke of York, with (above it) "Toria," for the Duchess. Again, we encounter 'Alix-Ogla, 1885," meaning Princesses Louise and Victoria of Wales, such being their family pet names, strange as they may sound, while another "Nicky" is the Grand Duke Nicholas of Russia, uncle of the Czar, and another "Alix." the present Czarina; and "Muriel" shows the pet name of Princess Marie of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha, the Crown Princess of Roumania. Of the more sober and distinctive names may be gentioned "Wilhelm," the German Emperor who dislikes nicknames; "Christian," the King of Denmark; "Dagmar," the Dowager Empress; "Victoria" of Hesse; "Louise," eldest daughter of the Crown Prince of Denmark, etc. Naturally the signatures have a somewhat "shaky" appearance, though the conditions of traveling under which they have been scratched.-Buffalo Commercial.

> Degenerate Families. There is a paper on "The Causes of Poverty," by the late Francis A. Wal-

ker in the December Century. Gen. Walker says: The true predominant causes of pauperism, as of crime, have been strikingly painfully brought out in tracing the history of a few families. Three cases will suffice. The reader remembers the investigation of the Jukes family in New York state. Mr. Dugdale estimated that the members of this family, descendants of one worthless woman or intermarried with her descendants, have in seventyfive years cost the state, as criminals and paupers, a million and a quarter of dollars. The history of a Kentucky family founded in 1790 has been traced to include the character and conduct of a host of its members by descent or by sexual alliance, legitimate or ilegitimate. Among these have been 121 prostitutes. Thieving and beggary have made up the lives of most of the remainder. Those who try to do something better for the selves prove unable to perform hard labor or to endure severe weather. They break down early and go easily to the poor house or the hospital. From Berlin we have the history of another criminal and pauper family, the descendants of two sisters who lived in the last century. The enumerated pos'erity number 834. Of these the history of 709 has been traced with tolerable accuracy. They embrace 106 illegitimate children. 164 prostitutes, 17 pimps, 142 beggars, 64 inmates of poorhouses and 76 who have been guilty of Lerious crimes. Still other instructive cases are given. in one of which nearly all the inmates of a county poorhouse have been

Too Smart for Him. "Yes," said young Softleigh, "I like to see a smart, well-educated woman, but I wouldn't marry one who knew more than I did." "I'm very sorry," replied Miss Cutting, "to hear that you have resolved to remain a bachelor all

found to be related in blood.

OUR RURAL READERS.

And then a little child will stand How Successful Farmers Operate This Department of the Farm 1 Few ter for the animals, and also to irrigate Hints as to the Care of Live Stock the land. This work the breeders de and Poultry.

> Daleying on Valuable Land. The you be kind enough to state in Your pext trade dalry farmer in western New York. on fair land cost-

ing \$60 per acre, to produce and sell milk peddler for 10 Also please state how many gallons a

day a good cow will give during the the cattle are fattened for the markets year, if properly fed and cared for. E. Wind. ern Iowa is a far cry, and the pro- the cattle to Europe, either alive or in pounder of the above questions is lo- the frozen meat ships, but the first cated at the third point of this hypo- trials were unsuccessful, as the Mexithetical geographical triangle which can cattle are too small in size, and his queries has outlined to the writer's their meat is not good enough for the view. And replies can only be approx- European consumer. As regards dairy imate and not in any sense specific, for productions, the Mexican cattle are not the reason that he has had practical of great value, as they only give a experience in Iowa alone. Now, as to maximum of five quarts per day whether it will pay for the New York | Breeders and others to whom the sale farmer to produce milk and sell it at of milk is an important source of revten cents per gallon will depend more enue, and whose farms are close to upon the farmer and his methods than | towns, have introduced Dutch cattle on the money value of the land where to improve the milking properties of his operations are conducted. He has the Mexican breed. A large number the land, and it must be utilized, and of the coffee and sugar cane planters if he cultivates it in a business-like are now also cattle breeding, and from manner it may be assumed that milk inquiries made it has been ascertained. Protect that frail bark in its lonely case would not speak a word, except that can be produced and sold at ten cents per gallon. In order to do this there which are not suitable for coffee or must be strict economy and close watchfulness over all the details connected with the work. The food required should be grown, so far as possible, on the farm, Intensive, and not extensive, farming, as we see followed in many places, must be followed. In the past, when Iowa lands had a value of, say, twenty dollars per nere, it was good policy to make land take the place of labor-gathering crops from extended areas which by more careful cultivation could be secured from much less land. But with land values at about fifty dollars per acre, as it now is, a different system ought to prevail. Yet it is a matter of regret trip eastward a few years ago the writer was astonished to see that in west-

that improved cultivation of the soil has not kept pace with the increase in price of land. And in making his first ern New York it was not uncommon to see the manure from cow stables thrown out of windows and left exposed to sun, wind and rain. The lowpriced surplus corn, oats, mill byproducts, etc., go eastward to feed live stock in those regions, and unless the excrement from animals consuming the same is saved and applied to the land, not only will the principal profit expected from its purchase be lost, but the land from which the main supply of food is taken for use of such animals will be steadily impoverished and depleted. And this is as true of and depleted. And this is as true of an depleted. And this is as true of an depleted and depleted are depleted and depleted and depleted and depleted and depleted are depleted and depleted and depleted and depleted are depleted as depleted are depleted and depleted are depleted are depleted are depleted and depleted are depleted are depleted are depleted are depleted are depleted as depleted are deplete the rich lands of the Mississippi val- general theory; but I have taken the ley as of Genesee or Mohawk valleys | trouble to study and prove it during of New York state. An acre of good the past six and thirty years, and I up at Oberammergan as a mere casland, either in New York, Iowa, or have found that it is invariably the Missouri, planted to corn, in such a case, not only as regards cattle, but association with the passion play, and manner as to get the best results, will also in the case of sheep, horses, and eight years afterward, being held in a produce all the food of this class as even human beings. When our colonies an average cow requires in a year's time. And in New York peas can be successfully raised to supply the nitrogenous food needed to balance corn as a ration for cows giving milk. The best cows for milk production are such as will give the largest yield of standard milk or mill: of richness required by law. And cows of this class are found in nearly all breeds. They are also found in astonishing numbers in that much despised race characterized as common, or scrub cows. From the milk sellers' standpoint choice may be had among cows having Shorthorn, Holstein, or Red Poll blood in their makeup. A cow that will give 5,000 pounds of milk during the year may

prized accordingly.

be called a good cow. Yet there are

those that yield considerably more

than this quantity, and should be

Raising Ducks Artificially. Of course in raising 10,000 to 15,000 ducks it is important that one should have the most suitable stock, writes Samuel Cushman in Northwestern Agriculturist. A cut of one or two cents per pound from the highest market rates will make a great difference in the receipts. The quality must be the best. The quicker they grow the shorter the time they must be kept. The earlier they are put on the market the higher the price they bring. There is more profit in one early bird sold at 35 cents per pound than in several late ones at 13 to 16 cents. Pure white feathers bring the most. James Rankin has tried all breeds of ducks and finds all have their outs. Aylesbury ducks have white feathers, but they and their crosses are longer in maturing and harder to pick. Pekins, he found, matured earlier by ten days or a fortnight. Rouens are not only longer in maturing, but are tender and delicate. Cayugas are fine, plump birds and lay as well, eggs hatch as well. and ducklings mature as early as the Pekins, but they are smaller, have black plumage, and the dark pin feathers hurt their appearance. Crosses between the two were fine and plump, took on fat as readily and matured as early as the Pekins, but they came mottled in plumage, had dark skin in patches and dark pin feathers, so brought less. Their feathers also sell for much less. A cross between Cayugus and Rouens gave all the good qualities of the former and are larger than the latter and make a better table bird, but do not equal Pekins. Evidently the right breed to cross with Pekins does not exist or has not been found; that is, with the present requirements of the market.

Cattle in Mexico. The French minister of agriculture has lately published in the Journal Official a short report on cattle breeding in Mexico, an industry which is still in its early days, but promises to give magnificent results, says Mark Lone Express. Unfortunately the water supply is deficient, and land which | tories,

DAIRY AND POULTRY, otherwise would be splenild for entitle feeding, cannot be used. In spite of the beavy rains which falt during INTERESTING CHAPTERS FOR May, thousands of cattle the of thirst every year. In order to make these lands sustable for breeding cattle, it will be necessary to construct fenervoirs, which will serve to provide wasire to carry out with the assistance of the government, and when it is realized this industry will be of great value. Up to the present, however, the less of cattle every year from want of water causes all benefits to disapit will pay the pear. In these lands, which are so well adapted for breeding purposes, two varieties of fodder grow plentifully, namely, "privilego" and "za-cate de Parra"; both are excellent and abundant. The native race of cattle are worth at three years old from £3 milk on farm to to £4 (nominal), and after being put on better feed for eight to eleven cents per gallon. months, they are ready for the butch-Also please state which are the best | er, weighing from 700 to 809 pounds. Oh, soft flows the breath from thine incows for milk production, and how The breeders of Chihuahua, Tamaulimuch good ones will cost per head. pas, and Coliabinia carry on an active of St. Louis and Chicago. It was thought at one time that it would be that there are large tracts of land sugar cane planting, but which are excellent pasture lands. As the banana flourishes, the dairy cows are fed upon green banana leaves. The leaves of the sugar cane are also very tast) for cattle. Combined with the growth of coffee and sugar, cattle raising, it is considered, ought in the near future to make a considerable increase in the value and revenue of the farms, it is regarded as one of the elements of the

future agricultural prosperity of Mex-Controlling the Sex. as to how male or female offspring may be produced; and yet, after all, there is no theory in the matter, but a very were first settled and quantity rather than stock was the one thing desired, young rams were put to old, broken mouth ewes, with the result that ewe lambs were produced in numbers as eighty is to twenty. But when the and heavily fleeced wethers were want- to Peru, were discovered by the Spaned, old rams were put to two-year-old lards in the neighborhood of Quito. ewes, and the result was that about where they were cultivated by the nathree parts of the lambs were rams. I tives. Condor, a monk, first introduced know that what I have written will be them into Spain, whence they passed contradicted by many, but I have prov- into Italy and thence to Belgium. ed it correct during thirty-six years of Humboldt says that at the discovery a farming life, at home and abroad.

Feeding for Eggs. It is difficult to give a general for- ico. In 1585 potatoes were taken from mula that will suit all conditions, still North Carolina and Virginia, on the we believe in the morning mash win- return of the colonists sent out by Sir ter and summer, says Country Gentle- Walter Raleigh, and were first cultiman. It is composed of one-half vated on his estate near Cork. ground corn and oats, one-fourth bran, sweet potatoes, native of the West Inand one-fourth boiled vegetables or dies, were given to Columbus by the soaked beef scraps, or cut clover hay natives of Cuba. They were introducsteamed; mixed with boiling water at ed into England by Sir Francis Drake, night, covered up and left to steam, who wrote of them in praise, but forand fed warm in winter. In summer, got to send instructions to eat only cold water is better. Whether to feed the root. The gardener of Queen Elizthis mash every day or every other day abeth planted them and ate some of (alternating with wheat, or wheat and the tops. Being disgusted by the taste, cracked corn mixed in winter) can be decided by experiment. Meat in some form, either raw or cooked, should be odor of the burning tubers, picked up fed two or three times a week, and a root, ate it, and, being pleased with green food every day, winter and summer, if fowls are confined in yards. Green cut bone is an excellent feed either separately or mixed with the mash. Our manner of feeding for eggs is to give the mash every other morning in summer and every morning in late fall and winter. Care should be supply glass eyes to pet cats and dogs. taken, however, not to give a full meal. In the east the demand for artificial but sufficient to satisfy hunger, and eyes for dogs is brisk. It is largely due thus compel the hens to hunt around to the fashion of making pets of bullfor whatever they may find in the dogs and bull terriers, which are now wards or litter of the crops. We feed so popular. At Newport, the other day, nothing at midday but green food, such Dr. Rush J. Heidekoper put a new eye as cabbage, and at night, wheat, oats in Mrs. Frederic Neilson's pet brindle and cracked corn, separately or mixed bull terrier. The dog had his eye distogether. The heavy breeds being generally less active than the light, need and as a result he lost the sight of it. to be carefully fed and kept busy The animal seemed to realize what was scratching. Avoid over-feeding if you being done for him when the doctor England covering his invention. His wish an abundance of eggs.

Eggs Per Year. We hear a great many stories about the hens that laid 200 eggs each per year. We would like to see a large flock of say a hundred hens that would know people that have kept a steady account for years of their fowls, and were never able to get much above the 100-egg mark. In fact, if one could be assured that his hens would lay 100 eggs each in a year he would have a safe business in which to invest. We are speaking of the common run of farm flocks. The flocks in mind were Brown Leghorns, most of them of doubtful age.

tories drove out of the English mar-

IN THE ODD CORNER.

QUEER AND CURIOUS THINGS AND EVENTS.

Nature a Clever Sculptor Stone Found in Oregon Which Bore a Beautiful

Song of An Indian Mother. 0

LEEP, child of my love! be thy slumber as light that nestles se-cure on the cates. spray: Be the visions that visit thee fairy and bright the dewdrops around with the

In the wild wood sleep eradies, in roses,

He forsakes, or surrounds with his

phantoms of dread. On the shores where the wife of the

glant was thrown her song. to stone?

He skims the blue tide in his birchen ca- A camper in northern Wisconsin re-Where the foe in the moonbeams his cently returned with some photopath may descry:

The Power that is round us, whose pres- ways and all the outer debasement of nce s near

Nature a Clever Sculptor.

fect face of a delicate Jewish cast the winter, and for that purpose \$10 was discovered in a small stone about was all he wanted. His but was seven as large as a 10-cent piece, found lying or ten miles north of our camp and it on the railroad grade near Junction was twice a week sometimes he would City, Ore. Not only are the brow, hair, come tramping down the railroad track beard and beautiful aquiline nose per- with berries. The plc.ure of him was feetly shaped and distinct on the stone. taken by two young me I who were of but the neck and shoulders are vig- our party. The woman who recognetted off into the delicate agate-like | gized the picture sent it to a brother tracery of the background, as it would of Wilcox in New York, who then sent have been done by an artist. Not Many theories have been advocated only is the face as delicately beautiful in line as one stamped upon a callty in the Wisconsin forest. It was Greek coin of the reign of Alexander, but in this stone are reproduced the simple law of nature, says a writer in colors of life. The face is white, with Dakota Farmer. Give a bull and cow of a blending of flesh tones. growing like ages and strength and constitu- deeper in the shadows of the neck and urged to come, as his presence in the tion, and the produce of these may be shoulders. The hair in the dark shad- Michigan town where the Wilcoxes of either sex. But let the bull be old ow at the back is a rich auburn, just lived was necessary in scitling the esor weak or out of condition, and the the color associated most often with tate. After many weeks the missing calf will, almost without exception, be the ascetic Jewish type, to which the man got the letter and answered it: male, and this is merely the law of na- whole race belongs. It is, perhaps, the said he would go to Ann Arbor, but ture trying to reproduce itself, because, strangest part of this extraordinary co- that nothing could keep him in civilof the two animals, the bull shows evi- incidence of forms that each feature, ization again. He wanted no part of dence of being the one most likely to from the cavernous eye and delicate the estate, not so much as would pay die first, and, therefore, the male calf hollowed cheek, to the high, narrow his raffrond fare. He would not ride would be the one required to carry on brow and wavy auburn hair, is in ac- home, but preferred to than the recent discovery, was picked the face that was somewhat sentimentally supposed to resemble the face of Christ.

Potatoes in Early Times.

From Lippincott's: Potatoso, native they were cultivated in all the temperate parts of the continent, from Chili to New Granada, but not in Mexhe pulled up his crop, made a fire of the pile, was attracted by the pleasant the taste, continued the cultivation and introduced them to the notice of oth-

Latest in Ere Glasses Not man alone has artificial eyes these days. It is the fashion now to located in a fight some months ago, performed the operation, and never winced. Artificial eyes for dogs have to be made to order, but any optician will procure them in a week's time. Of course, they must fit the socket with perfect accuracy, so as not to cause any irritation, and the dogs for whom lay even 125 eggs per year each. We they are manufactured two of so many sizes and shapes that each eye is cuite different. As all have to be made to order, they are expensive, costing from \$10 to \$15. A dog's eye is usually much larger than a human beings, but it is not to be compared in point of size with the horse's. A glass eye for a ket honest cheese from Americas too There is a big factory in New York de- Charles Reads.

voted entirely to the manufacture of artificial eyes, and here most of those med for down and horses are made; Usually several eyes are ordered at once, as in the case of a person, because artificial eyes do not last very long, a new orb being necessary about once in six months. This seems a bit strange at first glance, but it really is Pace of Jewish Cast Klondyke's First not, for the seid of the secretions affect the enamel and cause a roughening of the edges, which brings on irritation. Thus the demand for eyes is constant. A sample of the sort of eye required by each horse or dog is a et in the factory, so that at no time is the redbird's there my trouble in obtaining dupli-

Story of Two Brothers.

Two brothers named Wilcox were graduated at Ann Arbor. Just after that event they went hunting in northern M'chigan. One day William left. their camp and did not return. The woods were searched, streams dragged and lakes sounded, but no trace of the pas, and Cohabinia carry on an active thy head: missing man was found. Weeks, trade with the United States, where But her who protects thee, a wanderer months and years went by and nothing appeared to prove that William Wilcox was yet among the living. The broth-From western New York to north- a remunerative speculation to export I fear for thy father! why stays he so advanced rapidly in his profession, with only one sorrow, that of a lost brother, intensified in time by the the sailor oft lingered to hearken death of their parents. The latter left So sad o'er the wave, ere she hardened considerable estate, but as the death of William could not be proved its settlement was delayed.

> graphs. One was of a hermit seen ball to its scope may speed rapid there. A woman who saw it recognized And lost in the wave by thy father's it as that of William Wilcox. The camper said of the hermit. "He was a fine conversationalist, and through his In the gloom and the solitude for by a tramp we could detect the gentleman and man of learning. Of himself he And shield thee when roughly life's manner of living was his own choosing. He brought us berries and fish, saying that he cared nothing for money From the Boston Transcript: A per- beyond enough to carry him through a letter addressed to the hermit at the a letter full of pleading to veturn home, and telling him of the death of the father and mother. He was back at one to his Wisconsin hut,

> > High Prices Charged Here.

This is a pleture of the first restanrant in the Yukon gold fields. It can scarcely be said to rival the Auditorium dining room, except perhaps in the matter of prices charged. It is the



KLONDIKE'S FIRST RESTAURANT chief store in Rampart City, the town which grew up in a couple of weeks after the rush to the gold fields began.

Where Biscuits Are Unknown Gallipolis, O., Tribune: John Redgers is the boss story teller. says a man told him that he was over in West Virginia, back in the mountains, where he didn't like the bread they gave him to eat. He asked the woman of the house, kindly, if she never made biscuits. She expressed her utter ignorance of what a biscuit was, and he told her that the next time he came that way he would bring some along, and he did, taking his saddlebags full of them. When he turne! them out two of the little boys of the house ran out in the gard with two of them, and when he found the boys directly afterward they were squatting down, poking straws at the biscuits and saying: "Ding ye, stick yer head out'en that shell." They thought they were terrapins.

Will Manufacture Diamonds.

Hudson Maxim, the inventor of an electric light, the Maxim gun and numerous other things, now claims that he has discovered the process of making genuine diamonds. He has secured patents in this country and in process is an electric furnace, in which the metal, calcium carbide and acetelyne, in the presence of carbon, can be melted and raised to an exceedingingly high temperature by an electric current, causing a heavy absorption of carbon, while at the same time the metals are subjected to a pressure of 50,000 pounds per rquare inch by means of a hydraulic press. The precipitation under these conditions, when allowed to cool slowly, will give diamends of considerable size

Not a day passes over the earth but horse is a very big thing indeed. It is men and women of no note do great composed of Plymouth Rocks and as large as a small tea studer. Many deeds, speak great words, and suffer valuable horses are supplied with noble sorrows. Of those obscure heglass eyes, for of all animals they come roes, philosophers and martyrs, the mest prone to eye injuries. All the cr- creater part will never be known till Filled cheese from American fac- tificial eyes for animals used in this that hour when many that were great country are of native manufacture, shall be small and the auxil great-

The Kaneas City Star says Chicago girls are flocking in droves to see the Brazilian anaconda that hugged a pony

Two Boston poets are going to try to walk across the Atlantic in pneumatic boots. They probably will west the boots on their poetle feet.

The sad story is told of a Connec- punkeys were horrid. tleut girl of disordered mind who, pos- But West Virginia delighted but sessed by a mania to disrobe, took to soul. Not rocky and windy his New said Mrs. Vance "What a spientid the woods. It is strange that she did England, not pointed and hard like forehead! Not every woman can atnot take to the stage.

the treasury department that, while at the Chalybeate Springs, in the very at the girls, the District of Columbia is entitled to heart of this picture-sque region, those only nine appointments, it has 225, quitoes were almost unknown; there The District of Columbia does not vote was a lovely ball-room, and a cook of in presidential elections, but, in an divine genius. emergency, can easily supply enough. One evening, while twilight wrapped officeholders to run the government, the hills, Julia sat upon the balcony The patrlots at Washington are con- gazing down across the area to the tent to let the others do the voting so covered porch. The gong had struck long as they get the official plums.

One of the prominent delegates at ered way to the dining room beyond. the convention of the Woman's Christlan Temperance Union in Toronto was from Iceland. She was interviewed, as a matter of course, and said, for one thing, that there are no tramps in Iceland. Possibly one explanation of remark that by nature the Icelander and might pass at any moment. She this cheerful fact is to be found in her is of an "intensive disposition." tramp, as is well known, shors intensity. It wearies him

six years have been as follows: 1892, junched and dired in his room, but 34,000,000 bushels: 1893, 58,000,000 from his valet it had been learned bushels; 1894, 84,000,000 bushels; 1895, that he would sup in the refectory, 60,000,000 bushels; 1896, 44,000,000 and also, that he was a young man of bushels; 1897 (estimate), 28,000,000 great wealth and classic ancestry. bushels. The exports to Europe have Another lady stepped out upon the been: 1892, 16,800,000 bushels; 1893, baleony. It was Miss Chauncey, and 33,600,000 bushels: 1894, 56,000,000 a jealous thrill skipped across Julia's bushels; 1897, 37,600,000 bushels; 1896, heart. She knew that Miss Chauncey 18,000,000 bushels; 1897 (estimate), 2, had been reviewing her French lexicon 000,000 bushels.

mercial museum in San Francisco on French at school? lines similar to those of the Philadelphia institution. The purpose as prolected in the purpose as projected is to bring the markets of the ing. candid smiles, which woman be-Asian-Pacific coast in closer touch self better dressed and handsomer. with the United States. According to And Julia smiled back in radiant defi- had left by a private conveyance half John Barrett, the American minister ance, at Bangkok, the United States has A form appeared on the porch below. trade opportunities in this direction just as the dazzling reflector in the covering a coast line of 4,000 miles and area was lighted for the evening-a representing a population of 500,000, man of notable physique, tall, grace-

is consequent upon meagre edu-made up a distinguished personality; last week, the democrats fell over and advantages is an old super- while his air of authority plaints do dent Cleveland pointed out at the re- strolled to a pilaster and leaned quiet- trate last Friday night. We have been cent Princeton commemoration. The ly against it, smoking his eigarette in many conventions where such popu- shovel cultivators, successful man whose youth was with- leisurely, and gazing upon the parterre lar men as Bob Taylor and Bill Bow- Ed. V. Bohl, Fulton County, Illinois, out advantages has attained success of flowers. The light of the huge re- man were nominated, but we never saw -This is how I raised 150 bushels of not because of those disadvantages but in spite of them, and it is logical to infer that with increased intellectual training he would have climbed to still greater eminence.

The uses of lemons are manifold. and the more we employ them the better we shall find ourselves. For all people, in sickness or in health, lemonade is not only a safe but a remarkbly pleasant drink. It is a specific gainst worms and skin complaints. The pippins crushed may also be mixed evich water and used as a drink. Lemon juice is the best anti-scorbutic remedy known. It not only cures the disease, but, what is better than a cure is a preventive. Sailors make a daily use of it for that purpose. It is a good thing to rub the gums daily with lemon juice to keep them in a healthy condition. It prevents chilblains. Lemon used in intermittent fevers is mixed with strong hot black tea or coffee without sugar. Neuralgia may be cured by rubbing the part afflicted with a lemon. It is valuable also to cure warts and to destroy dandruff on the head by rubbing the roots of the nair with it.

Not very long ago a stray item of fashion reached a missionary among the Indians of the far west, to the effect that braided paimetto hats were much worn, and she remembered what fun she had thought that braiding was, when she was a little girl in Louislana. It flashed upon her that corn-husks might be used for the same purpose, and before evening she had gathered a crowd of eager Indian boys around her and taught them to fashion very presentable hats. "I believe they will sell," she told the young Indians, and they have been sold. "But even if they do not," one lad repiled, 'we shall never have to buy any more resulted in creating a new industry stantly, and she stopped short. for the Indian. It is always so. Whatever is useful that one learns thoroughly and well is quite sure to come to look inquiringly at Julia. into service in later life.

The league magnates have decided that two umpires must officiate at ously, and Julia exulted; for she knew clear down to the left field fence. They some chagrin. couldn't be expected to throw a beer accuracy as far as the home plate.

Abdul Hamid mildly disclaims reto see the matter differently.

Samuel E. Morse, ex-consul general to Paris, said, in speaking of city im- struck up suddenly quite near, and its provements, at a recent banquet in In- mournful cry startled all. The strangdianapolist "A city without parks is er shifted his position. With an air like a house without windows, and of the utmost solicitude he called a removed, as it has been laid down by moderation in the early years of a however admirable a city may be in passing secount, pointed out the hand- a German genealogist that every peach orchard, to be followed after maall other respects, it can make no pretensions to being a modern city until it has a model system of parks."

ten a becure showing that Shakespears thanks upon him. The count lifted was a temperance advocate. We do his hat with such profound respect and eWhat is courting danger, Uncle not recall any of the bard's characters case that Julia worshiped him, and girman?" "Any hind of courting."who ever took the gold cure.

WAS IT THE COUNT



not arrest her famey. ice cream at the rude hotel, and the

the Adirondacks, but receding to the tract him ! distance in rounded and gental masses. It has been developed by a census of delightfully varied and verdant. And

for supper, and she watched the guests while they gauntered along the cov-

A whip-poor-will in the grove near by struck up his plaintive monotone: the crickets chirped, the trees sighed. the mountains stood up somberly in the fading light, but Julia beither heard nor saw these things. They were diurnal; but the count was a rarity.

None of the ladies had yet seen the count. He had arrived the previous evening, and Miss Chauncey's father saw him register "Count Eugene de la Argentine wheat crops for the last Rammont, Paris, France." He had all day.

"Why, oh, why!" thought Julia, in It is proposed to establish a com- an agony of envy, "did I never study

slows on woman when she feels her-

ful. strong and cultured. The dark, curling locks, the plereing eyes, its



DROPPED HER HANDKERCHIEF flector illumined the entire area, and fell upon the stranger, but he did not see the ladies in the balcony above. Miss Chauncey looked at Julia, and asked in a low voice:

"Is it the count, or-Julia gave a knowing look, and Miss Chauncey did not complete the quesion; they both felt that it must be

But Julia's heart was torn with rice alry; for, as Miss Chauncey turned to put the query. Julia noticed in her hair a dainty fleur-de-lis, the historic choice and symbol of the old French nobil-

The door behind them opened, and another lady stepped out upon the porch-Mrs. Vance. Julia thoughta dashing, saucy lady, endowed with egant wardrobe. She bowed a gentlagreeting-tinged with condescensionfor ourselves." So the nice braiding and advanced to Miss Chauncey's of palmetto, learned in childhood, has chair; her eye caught the stranger in-

"Is that the count, or -- ?" She paused midway in her question Who?" asked Julia, very innocent-

each game. This will make it much that she had tripped the widow in a more interesting for the bleachers too enger inquiry, and had caused her

But the widow was a skillful spider bottle or any other missile with any From the corner of the balcony she accidentally dropped her handkerchief. It fluttered down into the area; the count looked up and saw her. She gazed sponsibility for the pillage of Ameri- after the handkerchief with a pretty can missions. If this government were look of consternation; and as she to take a lesson from Austria in that leaned over the balcony, the ends of Mersina affair Abdul might be brought her necktie hung out distinctly, striped with a dainty tricolor.

Julia hated her. The notes of the whip-poor-will kerchief, and sent him to restore it to crowned head of Europe, excepting its owner. As he looked toward the Turkey, is descended from one or other bulcony the young widow bestowed a of two sisters, who lived about 150 grateful smile and a modest how of years ago.

Labour. The advanced quiet

hed, in her emonth, suff tones, and period without Uniching the question. it must be be, of course, and no one took the pains to answer her.

"the is handsome," said Mrs. Vanco This remark broke the ice. They all turned toward one another, and a Departicul harmony united them as they discussed the count, "So distingue!" murmured Mosa

"A sentleman of great experience," And she emerched for telestoned

necktie ampliacently and tooked hard "Rather sunburnt, it seems to me.

remarked Miss Chauncey, with affected indifference. A very leadly air," said Julia. 'Oh, yes. He would make a tyran- up and the ground was planted in po-

nical husband," responded Miss Cleves tatoes. Later the potato bugs came in dale, quietly: "I advice no young per- and took possession and the result was son to macro him." A lady appeared on the porch below plowed, harrowed and planted this

a short and strongy woman. That is Mrs. Peters, who came here ty, but we did not get a stand. Then vesterday," observed Miss Chauncey, we harrowed and planted again May 24, They say her husband will be here using the variety known as Golden oon. How brazen to go into tea so Climax. The rows were 3 feet 10 early and auract the count's atten- inches apart one way, hills two feet

Miss Chauncey put her hand up to were put in a hill. We plowed twice the fleur-de-its and adjusted it spite- with Eagle Claws. The gophers and

The count did not see Mrs. Peters, is a cross of four varieties-Early Yel-His eyes were fixed in lafty study on low Rose, Knox County Premium, Leathe parterre; he smoked thoughtfully. man, and a large yellow and red corn with haughty air.

Mrs. Peters touched him on the thinning of this corn that I exhibited. shoulder. The four ladies in the nor was there any extra work put on it. balcony gasped at her audacity. Count a Rammont Instantly dropped the nois.-Our corn we exhibited at the elgarette. His look of authority and state fair was a cross of the Leaming idependence vanished. His proud and a large yellow we raise. As to carriage dissolved into meekness. He cultivation and preparation of ground, took off his hat and smoothed his hair I cannot say that we made any special with a docile hand. Mrs. Peters took his arm and he went into supper with her, subdued and humble,

Four noses in the balcony turned skyward: four sighs of contempt breathed toward the stars, and Mrs. Vance exclaimed, bitterly: "Pshaw! Mr. Peters-nothing but a

married man, after all!" Simultaneously Mr. Chauncey's voice as he came through the door to join them announced that the real count

TRIUMPH FOR THE EDITOR.

Whiriwind of Excitement Attending His Nomination as Magistrate.

From the Johnson City, Tenn., n fast disappearing, as Ex-Presi- noted one accustomed to rule. He mination to nominate us for magissuch enthusiasm as was manifested when Haskel Dyer, in a speech that loads of stable manure per acre on ten was replete with deserved compli- acres of clover and Timothy sod mixed. ments, presented our name to the con- The last week of April I broke this vention. It simply took the opposition ground, plowing eight inches deep. 1 off its feet, and most of it out of the rolled it down after the plow and then house, and it was many minutes before | worked it once with the rotary hoe it could get itself together sufficiently instead of disc harrow. I then harrowto make a nomination. When the ed twice with ordinary smoothing harsmoke had cleared away from the bat- row and rolled down. I planted May 11 tle of the ballots the tellers announced and 12, checking 3 feet 8 inches each that we had received 49 votes to 15 way. No commercial fertilizer of any cast for our two opponents. The nom- kind was used on this corn. As soon ination was then made unanimous amid | as this corn came up I cultivated once tumultuous applause, and we were each way with the rotary hoe. I then borne to the stand by our loving cultivated once each way with cultifriends, in whose hands we had been, and in a happy and characteristic shallow and keeping ground as level as speech congratulated the democrats upon the honor they had done themselves in selecting us to make the race for magistrate. Our friends tell us that our letter of acceptance published the day before did the business for us just as Bryan's convention speech gained for him the nomination at Chicago. If that's true, then there are two men of destiny, one of whom we are which.

PLOVERS RESTING AT SEA. Pacific Coast Captain Sees Severa

Swimming Far from Land, From the San Francisco Call: Up to within a few days of the arrival here from Honolulu of the Oceanic Steamship Company's steamer Australia, Captain Houdlette was the owner of a ployer that came aboard while on its way from Alaska to Hawaii. These birds are not web footed, and the captain seems to have solved the problem as to whether they ever rest on the water during their long flight. Captain Houdlette says they do. was during the run from San Francisa sprightly, aristocratic air and an el- co to Honolulu that I saw several ployers in the water resting," says he. When the steamer came too near they would rise out of the water with a few flaps of their wings, but, being very tired, they would soon settle back into the water again. In its efforts to get away one of them came on board and frosts has passed. If the vines are unthought the birds made a continuous as soon as the snow melts. Lying on it will pay better to be very cautious in flight of over 2,000 miles, but I am now the ground and protected from winds, The widow turned away contemptu- satisfied that the birds rest on the the buds might push too early and be waves when tired."

Telegraph in the Suez Canal.

A most ingenious system is employed by which the director of the Suez canal can tell at a glance the exact position of all vessels passing through it. A model is placed in the office at Port Said and the whole canal is worked from headquarters by means land, where no peach trees have stood of the telegraph, the position of each before, with moderate, clean culture ship being marked by a figure on the up to July, yearly (not afterward) so as model. It is thus made easy to ar- to secure only well ripened wood in range for vessels passing each other, autumn. 3. The yearly application of

All Royalty Related.

Nearly all the royal personages of are a few other points which I desire Europe are cousins, and not very far to emphasize: First, the practice of

could have torn Mrs. Vance to threds | Chicago Front.

FARM AND GARDEN, promotes a growth of more new, vig-

AGRICULTURALIST.

Some Up-to-Date Hints About Cultiva-

ley, Pulcon County, Hilmois. The

corn that I exhibited at the state

fair was raised on second year

sod. In April, 1896, it was plowed and

planted to onions. They failed to come

ground to corn of the Mastodon varie-

apart the other. Two or three grains

moles took out over 200 hills. This corn

called Blackaly corn. There was no

W. E. Waugh, Warren County, Illi-

effort in cultivating our corn to com-

pete for the prize offered at state fair.

I did not get any notice of a prize of

that kind being offered until June. It

was then too late to do any extra work.

Our ground was second crop from the

sod, and our acre was taken from a

thirty-acre field. We plowed our

ground before planting, then harrow-

ed, then put on the plank drag to level

and break clods; then planted with a

3 foot 6 inch planter, and used a 3 foot

8 inch check wire, and regulated our

planter to drop from three to five

grains. Just before coming up we put

the harrow on again and then the

plank drag. As soon as corn was large

enough to cultivate, we went over it

with riding disk cultivator both ways.

Had expected to continue cultivation

with disk cultivators. We got a heavy

rain about that time that made the

ground too wet for discs. We took the shovel cultivators and went over it

twice more with them, making four

corn to the acre: In April I put ten

possible. The gound was ordinary

for four years, being mowed for hav

each year. The variety was the Mas-

todon, a large-eared yellow dent, rip-

ening in 105 to 110 days. It was plant-

ed three stalks to the hill. The entire

Fall Pruning of Grapes.

For many reasons, heavy pruning

which is a necessity for the grapevine,

had best be given in the fall. So soon

the fall concentrates this sap in the

ering of earth will be needed. Vines

spring so soon as danger from late

od Points About Peaches.

on the trellis .- Ex.

Chas. J. Shep-



crous wood to bear fruit the succeeding year. Last spring I made an ap-MATTERS OF INTEREST TO plication of 600 pounds per acre of fish and potash, to each ton consisting of 1,400 pounds of ground fish and 600 surroundings were conducive to iil pounds of potash. My leading object health or a prolongation of disease, of the observation tion of the Soil and Vields Thereof—
He-ticulture. Viticulture and Fioribut the effect upon the eight-year-old tinued revenue to the owner. For, be peach orchard was excellent. The fruit it known, the Chinese hospital is a stress, Kate made a vow to h upon these trees was perhaps as fine as private institution run by the underthe same purpose, certainly a reasona failure all around. In May, 1897, we

Menace to Horticulture. gest a proper disposition of a portion struggle for breath, times, twice with disc and twice with of those "millions for defense."

Cabbages in Winter. The old plan of burying or putting explains this as follows: Where cabbage is grown on a large scale for land Leader. shipping purposes, the best plan is to lift the cabbages and stack them two tiers deep and as closely as they can be placed in an orchard, or wood, if leaves to be kept in place by a slight covering of earth. In this way the heads will keep perfectly sound all vator with large shovels on, plowing winter, and they can be easily taken up as wanted for shipping. For family use cabbages can be kept in the same white oak soil and had been in grass freezing point. It has been suggested day. cool. The slightest wilting renders it ter.-Boston Herald.

unfit for the table. Impaction by Corn Stalks.-Jefferson as the leaves are off, the cutting away lem township last Friday. They all fond of traveling incognito. can be no bleeding, as the cut will dry victims of corn stalks caten in unlim- South employs 19,000 people in three 25,000 precious hours of the public up at once. There is some circulation ited quantities. They had been turned hundred mills. The capitalization is time have necessarily been occupied of sap all through the vine during into the cornfield after husking was over \$50,000,000, and the annual prod- in the profitless work of cutting the warm weather in winter. Pruning in over, and ate too much of the dry uct is valued at \$113,000,000. stalks. In some localities where sim- A St. Louis girl and boy, age, re- bookbinder's guillotine would do the should be loosened, and it should be in more dry food than the gastric stepmother. thrown on the ground. In most cases juices can handle. He found in the Phillips Brooks once said that "the snow will be enough protection, but if first stomach of the dead cows a large shortness of life is bound up with its Mabel new gowns," remarked Mrs. the vine is where the snow blows away solid roll or bundle of material, which fullness. It is to him who is most acsome straw held down by a slight cov- was packed so hard that nothing could tive, always thinking, feeling, working, phase it but an axe, and this condition caring for people, that life seems short. so much attention." "I don't see what thus treated will winter without injury. brought on speedy death. Farmers Strip a life empty and it will seem that has to do with it." "I desire to should take warning from this case. however low the mercury may fall. The vines should be put up on the trellis in and allow their cattle to eat the stalks sparingly at first. Up in Calhoun county a man lost ten head in a single it lived until a few days ago. I always covered except by snow, put them up night. With cattle at the present prices this matter.

Beef and Butter.-Prof. T. L. Hackinjured. They are not liable to this er of the Minnesota experiment sta- ten miles. tion has been testing the comparative cost of making beef and butter. So he P. M. Augur, in Farm and Home, fed four steers along with his herd of cows, giving them, however, a ration writes: The essential elements of success with peaches are: 1. Seed from for making beef, while to the cows was given the feed appropriate for milk natural pits, free from any taint of disand butter production. After six ease, with equal care in getting buds: weeks' feeding he figured the cost of 2. Healthy trees, planted on high, dry the butter at three cents per pound. while the beef was 34-10 cents per pound, as nearly as he could estimate it from live weight. It is fairly to be presumed that in the cost of butsome perfect manure, potash included. ter the labor required to make it was These things are all important. There not estimated. It is probable also that the cows experimented on were in full flow of milk, and therefore could, for a short time, produce butter at very low rates. But the animal has to be turity by a very liberal management. kept twelve months with much less Second, never let an orchard bear a product of milk, in order to enable it breaking crop; a moderate crop of large

to make this low record.-Ex. peaches is more valuable than a very Artificial heat is seldom necessary heavy crop of small peaches; besides, it is far less exhausting. Again, the in buildings for the stock. The natpractice of cutting back the branches ural heat is better, and in barns propso as to reduce the number of blos- erly built and taken care of the natioms helps the matter of thinning and | ural heat will be all that is desired.

LUCKY TO GET OUT ALIVE.

Little Chance to Recover.

From the London Mail: If ever the

Patients in a Chinese Hospital Have

I ever had, and the growth and prom- taker. He is always on the safe side. ise next year are the best. This was If the patient keeps alive he gets only a part of the orchard, and I seri- money for caring for him. If his ligiously kept her word, and at 47 ously regretted that it had not been friends tire of paying for his keep he incurably insane. At the city he over it all. From this experience, and is placed in the "chamber of tranquilwhat I have observed elsewhere, I have lity." After he dies the undertaker, the queerest insane woman that ever no hesitation in recommending some that pooh bah who has three offices quick-acting nitrogenous fertilizer in only, buries him and makes money out to cat or drink and can be picked up connection with the other elements in of hm to the last. Imagine a room and carried around without the slighta mature or declining peach orchard. about ten feet wide and twelve feet Another practice popular in Michigan long, filled with the odds and ends of lays her on the bed she remains there and undoubtedly beneficial, is the early a junk shop. Let this room be so dark sowing of rye in August to serve as a that it takes two candles to make a of the ward she remains a motionless winter mulch, and in spring to be light, and so filled with the malodor-fixture. She acts like an automaton. turned under as manure. With our oc- ous smells that are usually met with She moves only when somebody moves casional warm spells in winter, the use in Chinatown dens that a strong man her. She moves only when some man. She of some means to act as a mulch, and hesitates before he enters and gasps thus maintain a uniform condition of for breath after he gets inside. Place temperature in the soil, cannot be a half dozen bunks round the walls overrated. I saw in Tennessee some and a cauldron in which some witches' peach orchards mulched with straw for broth is boiling in the corner. Let the walls be so full of ratholes that the three cats which make themselves at home on the bunks with the sick In view of the first appearance in them all, Imagine all this, and you this country of the San Jose scale, hav- may have some slight conception of ing been on the Pacific coast, and as what the interior of a Chinese hosstringent laws to prevent the spread of pital looks like. If your imagination violent act before long. She is benoxious insects and fungous diseases, Chinese opium dens, you may get pretis very vivid, and you have seen coming weak, however, because she we desire to call the attention of our readers to the fact, as published in a that it is beyond imagination. But the will accept no nourishments upon the recent arrival in San Fran- front room above described is elysium cisco of a shipment of Australian apples, the fruit was found to be infested with a species of darkness, with a species of "miner," a new pest the scientists tell us, and these grades that tunnels through the fruit instead may be found in a Chinese hospital. of burrowing into the core like the cod. Some darkness can be seen, some can ling moth, says Texas Farm and be felt. That in the back room can Ranch. Quarantine papers were immediately served, and the apples were to all human senses at once. It can subsequently destroyed by fire on a va. be tasted. It can be heard. It can be cant lot close to the steamer. The ac. seen. It can be felt. That it can be count states that there has never been smelled goes without saying. You anything seen like it before, and no ac- stand just within the opening, which count can be found recorded of such a by courtesy is called a door, and you pest. Photographs were made showing hear breathing, as if someone were exits meanderings under the skin of the hausted after a long run. You are fruit. The fact that such a pest has not mistaken. It is a man breathing been permitted to even land upon our heavily in his race with death. He is shore suggests a possibility. The same still alive, and you wonder why. article goes on to show that the quar- Groping your way, you reach some antine officer, Craw, also destroyed a stationary object and light a match. number of cherry trees on their arrival It just gives enough light to enable from Japan, infested with a small new you to see a candle on a bench and you scab (aspidiotus albopunctatus). This light that. Then you feel that an elecis said to be the first time it has been tric are light would scarcely be suffifound in the cherry, and that it attacks cient to enable you to pierc: that the orange as well as deciduous trees. Stygian darkness. It is well, perhaps, After stating that certain vessels are that you have an obscured vision. It being overhauled for trees, fruits and is possible that if you could see all plants, the report continues: "It is that is in the room at once you, too, hard to foretell what may be discov- would be a sick man. It is a nolsome ered upon them, as these steamers in- den, where vermin abound; where variably bring shipments of trees, rats make their home; where the livfruits and plants infested with pests ing and the dead humanity lie side by not before observed on this coast." side—the one waiting for its coffin and twenty years she has regained st. These dangers should, we think, sug- the other for the cessation of the

He Knew Her.

She (reading)-Isn't this awful? It says here that Mrs. Murkle was cabbage in trenches during winter or knocked down by a scorcher yester- only word I heard her utter in two for winter use has become obsolete, day and rendered speechless. He- years. Sometimes she would laugh and a more simple and easy plan has Oh, that's evidently another of those a joke, but not if she knew she been adopted. American Gardening newspaper exaggerations. I wonder observed," why they can't stick to facts?-Cleve-

Football Features.

He-Were there any striking fea- the three-volume novel: Should it convenient, and cover with leaves to tures in to-day's football game? She tinue to exist, or should it be extinthe depth of two or three inches, the -Oh, yes; that's what the players ap- guished to make room for the one peared to be striking principally .-Yonkers Statesman.

THIS AND THAT.

A wide-awake dealer in dogs adverway, only it will not be necessary to tised "Whines and Lickers" of all usually busy newspaper men, who make the second layer. It is quite im- kinds in a temperate Maine town, and have no time to wield the paper knife portant to keep them a little below the has a large list of customers each One of these says: "From the stand-

to keep them in some convenient build- The saddest news of the autumn is ing, but this plan has always resulted that some of the Maine country mer. and particularly so in novels, which field of ten acres will make 150 bushels in failure, as the dry atmosphere is chants will no longer turn their stores are meant to be read by busy people fatal. Cabbage must be kept moist and into smoking rooms during the win- and not treasured by bibliomaniaes.

the Empress of Austria was last pho- 000 copies are now in circulation. The Bee: Mr. Lew Dimon, of this city, buried tographed. She has completely with- book was sent out with its leaves unfour fine cows from his farm up in Har- drawn herself from public life, and is cut. It takes at least a quarter of an

buds that are left, and they always liar cases have occurred this malady spectively, sixteen and nineteen, have work in a fiftieth part of that time. push more vigorously than when the has been called the corn-stalk disease, left their home because a kind friend And the bookbinder is earning his livvines are left dangling on the trellises but Dr. Williamson, who examined took the pains to inform them that ing." all winter. As soon as the pruning is these cases, says it is no disease at all, the woman who had tenderly cared for done, the support of the main vine but a natural consequence of taking their comfort since infancy is their

long enough."

Two wheelmen of Kansas have accomplished the feat of riding from In- in the style to which she has been acdependence, Mo., to Kansas City, sitsing on their handle bars, facing the rear of their wheels and pedaling backward. The task was the more remarkable as the distance was over

IRONICAL IFS.

If you want a thing well done tell the waiter to bring it rare. If kissing went out of fashion no girl would care to be considered styl-

If a man would live to a ripe old age all he has to do is to keep right or living. If some women were to cast their bread upon the waters it would ob-

struct navigation. If a woman would always write th postscript first it would save her the trouble of writing the letter.

If men were built like planos there would be more square and upright people in this wicked world.

If you can't solve the problem of life go to your druggist. He can always tell you some kind of a solution.

If a man has the right stuff in him It is bound to come out. That's what makes some men's noses so red.

J. L. JORIS, Cher. LEE PLERSON, Asst. Cher. St. Louis 1800.

OM WY QNAL BANK, Though gifted w speech, Miss Kate

With the exception of once Piex lays her on the bed she remains there tries to hide from him and seeks the most secluded corner in trying to avoid him. One morning she placed her hand on a hot register. It must have hurt her, for there was a red mark on her hand. But she said not a word, made no sound, and any amount of begging could not Induce her to utter a syllable. The other patients regard her with wonder, not unmixed with fear, and even the nurse is afraid that she will break into some

In a neatly kept but hurede home

at 811 South Third stred, ves the old, widowed mother of Kate Schieber. Her form is bent, almost doubled caused by hard work. She is 77 years old and too feeble to care for her unfortunate daughter. In broken English Mrs. Schieber told the story of Kate's life. She said that her daughter had to go out to work early because her father had died, leaving the family penniless. She was always a jolly, light-hearted girl and ambitious to get on. She grew up a handsome woman, and many eligible young met sought her acquaintance. When about 20 years old she fell in love with one of them. Her lover proved faithless however, and on the day she learned the news her demeanor commenced to change. She lost all desire for company, amusement or recreation, and never went out if the room after her work was done. 'She continued in this way for six yess." said Mrs. Schieber "Remonstrance was of no avail, and noticing that ie was breaking down I begged hero drive away her melancholia. Peistent in my entreaties one day she urned round and said There, I'll ver speak to you nor anyone elsegain, if I live to be 50 years old, hen followed symptoms of insanity Then she became hope sufficient to enable her to be the house. During these interval, would be violent. I feared harm and sent her to the hosp About six years ago Kate replied 1 to a question asked he

The Three-Volumed Novel,

Some time ago the burning que among publishers in London was volume book at a quarter of the price! That question having been fairly settled against the three-volume form. now comes a new one, concerning cut or uncut pages for books. The people who write against the uncut form are point of political economy the present old-fashioned system is utterly wrong A few weeks ago Mr. Heinemann It is more than fifteen years since published a novel, of which over 100,hour for each new reader to cut those of superfluous wood may remain. There died the night before, and were the The cotton seed industry of the leaves. This means that no fewer than

> Giving the Sultor a Hint. From the Washington Star: "You have been very generous in buying Cumrox. "Yes," said her husband. "I don't like that man who pays her give him something to think about when I ask him if he can support her

pages of that one book alone. The

customed." An Extraordinary Electric Clock. An electric clock has just been erecte! on the southeast side of Piccadilly Circus, London. Electric lamps are fixet, along the moving hands and there are electric stars fixed at each figure clock is worked on the Synchronome syndicate's system, in conjunction with a number of other clocks.

Fewer English Marriages. During the queen's reign there has been a diminution in the marriage rate in England. The rapid increase in the population has been brought about by deeline in the death rate.

Rheumatism

Hood & Sarsaparilla Gives Complete Relief, Also Cures Catarrh.

"I was troubled with rheumatism and had running sores on my face. One of my riends advised me to try Hood's Sarsapailla, which I did. After taking six botles I was cured. Hood's Sarsaparilla has ilso cured me of entarch." Miss MAMIE

STRIER, 4403 Moffitt Ave., St. Louis, Mo. Hood's Sarsaparilla , the best - the One True Blood Purifier. Hood's Pills cure constipation. 25 cents.

is to you some of the Klendike come for fireworks and old time corner prices Patition now going up

ble hills of fare. Some day an enterprising eastern hotel man will startle the world by serving an edible meat-

in Michigan probaby tried to tell the Such a movement is simply phenom-Hon. Hazen Pingree a few things and enal and represents a part of the enthen was obliged to listen awhile him- ergett campaign made by Armour and

Germany's foolish hostility to Eng. gregating 2.045,000 bushels, are arrivland, as voiced through her menanch, ing. Part of it has gone into public naturally gives offense to Austrian and elevators, and part into private houses. Italian statesmen, and to that exists. Armour knows just how much contract nations. Thus far the net result if shug sum for the exact information as the kaiser's freaks in his efforts is to how much of the Chicago stock has isolate England has been the execution of a distrust toward humself amous and how much is here to be dumped his friends which may it his prunks out on December advances, such as ere persisted in isolate chemiany.

Maurice Despres, an electrical enmarkable shower of elemented rain which he recently witnessed. The day the horizon. Soon after dark there was all directions. a flash of lightning, and two minutes This is the situation which promises ed several seconds, and apparently ceased when the air between cloud and earth became saturated with moisture.

The college boy who wins the prize for the best essays or the best oration, or who graduates with the highest honors, is not in it today with the boy gets around the end for a touchdown. The brilliant student remains in obiron sees his picture in the papers, and wheat to Chicago. the list of those who have achieved greatness in the great battle of life.

turned loose upon the trail of some bank burglars in Indiana. The man hunt, however, lasted only a few minase. A pris ner now in jatt diana, and as far east as Buffalo. at Ligonier has turned state's evidence and given the police all the facts concerning the surglary and the subseguent escape of the mez. He says the without any trouble by running an onion on the shoes worn by the burglars. He says that no bloodhounds

ching physiology, would it not s. good and bad air, than to bly ple ud name all the bones, or gainst wo. classify all the muscles? with water and us will all keep their places on juice is the hr numbered or unnumbered; edy known both mind and body will fare betthere be time, to the parts not under control. These latter may be studied Chicago this week is the result. at leisure, for general information, as we study comets and eclipses.

> probably had more experience and has preparing to give a great carnival at hypnotism than any modern physi- fellows in line Stuart will go after proposed building of the Kansas, Ok- account of the disagreeable weather. cian. According to him, the dangers McCoy, Peter Maher and the others lahoma and Southwestern railway, and Prof. W. F. Chatfield was elected presiof hypnotism are non-existent if it that he wants, be employed by fit and proper persons who, whether to themselves or others, suggest only what is in harmony with New York, Dec. 20,-Beverly Ward, the physiological functions of the or- Jr., heir to an immense estate, and reganism; otherwise the dangers are obvious. In itself the induced sleep like ordinary sleep, is a condition York's society circles, was found dead which tends to the equilibrium of nerve in Baltusril Golf clubhouse, near Short forces and of the organic movements Hills, N. J., yesterday morning. That which those forces excite. The special he ended his life because the young decided change in the situation of the off an iron safe weighing about 300 qualities required for the production woman he loved, and whom he had Hawaiian treaty within the last few pounds. The safe contained \$70 in of the hypnotic sleep are self-confi- hoped to marry, is about to wed andence, assurance of success and a per- other, is stated by his father. He was sussive manner on the part of a hyp- at the home of his parents here up to confident of its ratification. "Senator daughters were sleeping in a room adnotizer; on the part of the subject, the last Monday, and seemed in the best Hoar says he is not opposed to the an- joining the store, but heard nothing wish to be hypnotized, confidence in of spirits, and was making plans for the hypnotizer and free consent to the the future, both as to society and busi- territory, provided the rights of na- off in a wagon. imposition of his suggestion.

It is a somewhat singular fact that the state government.

The kaiser is said to have killed 33 take a shot at Haiti.

If the statement by Dr. Briggs of the New York health department that "one person in seven in New York plying annually the suspicion that railway, has obtained subscriptions of please explain?" "He says he doesn't ments in the family?" "Well, papa says out half of New York is dead seems capital from castern men for the exto be efficially confirmed.

were nearly \$25,000,000,000 worth of handle, Texas, and the construction of digmonds in Solomon's temple. This the extension will be commanced in verifies the statement mode by an em- the spring. Mr. Hagerman has been in line dances aroun' an' 'tracts a heap o' inent authority that Solomon's temple | New York for some time, endenvoring | tention. But it's de hook dut's doin' was built by departions from hotel to raise the capital for the extension | Lusiners."-Washington flur. clorks.

DIG WHEAT DEAL.

per said Saturday. There are just twelve days left to make or unmake the are scarcely as bright as they were some time ago. Letter is learning something about the possibilities of Chicago as a receiving market and about the resources of Armour. In the last two days the local stock of wheat That book agent who killed himself, has been increased by 1.350,000 bushels. Weare. The last cargoes of an abnormal Dulinh-Chicago movement, agwheat is here. Leiter would give a come here to fill short sales to him,

those of last Friday and last Monday. Leiter has been holding a large assortment of speculative cards and has been playing them rapidly. He has brought the deal up from July to Sephad been warm and windless and tember, and from September to Decemabout 5 in the evening the sun was ber, but only recently has been pushing overcast with dense clouds lowering to prices to a point to bring wheat from

later great drops of rain fell, which to give Armour an opportunity to recracked faintly on touching the coup any actual losses in his operaground. From each of them sparks tions, and some of his consequential darted toward the walls, trees and soil losses for not having taken the bull they fell upon. The phenomenon last- side of the market when he came from a machete. Europe and held to it aggressively since. Leiter has disclaimed any intention to corner wheat. Armour has disclaimed doing anything but a warehouseman's business. Leiter's operations, and more particularly his announcements of plans to move the enwho kicks a goal from the field or tire Chicago stock of wheat out of the the United States revenue cutter Mccountry, have put wheat to \$1.09, and, Lane, Capt. Reynolds, has arrived there forcing Chicago out of line with other with seven Spanish fishing smacks They Make Complaint to the Railroad scurity. The husky hero of the grid- markets, have started an avalanche of that were seized for violation of the

reads with avidity column after col- As an elevator man. Armour's oppor- been turned over to the custody of the umn of fulsome rot about his feats on tunity lies in the accumulation at customs authorities. of wheat of 10,000,000 bushels by the to port. nunt, nowever, lasted only a few min-utes. Suddenly the leading dog began tracted to this market wheat originally and were fishing for that market. They thought the commission should investihowling dismally and refused to go laid by for milling not only in the haveneither registers nor foreign clear- gate and remedy the wrong. The comfarther, and it was impossible to con- northwest, but in Ohio. Michigan, In- ance, but are merely provided with a mission informed the gentlemen that

Ring Again.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 20.-It is pretty can be induced to follow an onion nearly assured that Fitzsimmons will can be induced to follow an onion mostly assured that Presimmons will along the entire coast west of Florida. in the way of changing marks on the lating all the circumstances of his mis-Julian in Chicago this week and arrange the details.

For some time Fitz has been showing with smuggling liquors and landing revery much more to know a signs of receding from his expressed fugees from Cuba, thus menacing the Brenham, Tex., Dec. 20.-John newspapers. This letter, which would about dress, diet, exercise determination never to enter the ring health of the entire gulf coast by the Thompson, colored, is night fireman at again. Popular pressure is having its introduction of yellow fever and small- the oil mill, and carries his dinner preceded by a telegram, informing the effect. The idea that Corbett's defeat pox. The seizure of seven smacks, it from home to his work in a little tin at Carson last spring was wholly accl. is said, is for the failure of their mast- bucket. Wednesday night he started dental has never been eradicated from ers to report arrival at the custom- to eat his midnight meal when he nosome minds, and will not be until Fitz house, required by section 2773 of the ticed a somewhat peculiar taste and a meets and defeats Corbett again. Of revised. The masters claim that their close examination of the food showed ter if the lungs are not fed on bad late Fitz's theatrical ventures have not arrival was not voluntary, but that spots of a dark purplish tint on the sir. So the muscles will expand and been bringing in the money that he they were compelled to seek the har- biscuit, rice and other contents of the contract and develop and strengthen thought he should receive. The sum bor because of bad weather. In view bucket. Thompson lost his appetite whether counted and classified or not; handed to him at Carson is rapidly of the fact that several suits against and quit eating at once. Yesterday but they and the whole system may fading away, and he has got to have Capt. Willey, late commander of the morning he carried the bucket of food for my comfort," mused Mr. Caulfield. slacken or totally stop their action if more. As Stuart practically controls McLane, are now pending in the Uni- to Dr. T. O. Hynes, who, in turn, took "I know how distrustful she will be the stomach is supplied with unwhole- the big pugilistic business in the count because of seizures it to Tristam's drug store. The stuff of the maids, and how she will insist some food. Let the study, therefore try, he will handle all the details. He made of Spanish fishing vessels in this turned out to be London purple. He upon getting up at four o'clock in order be directed at first to parts of the syst has been in communication with both district under similar conditions, the doesn't know who put it in his bucket. to see about my breakfast. And then tem under control, and afterward. If Fitzsimmons and Corbett for some outcome of the present case is awaited time, and the meeting with Julian at with interest. The matter has been re-

Should the men get together, the fight will not take place till July er A French scientist, M. Liebault, has August of next year, when Stuart is done more to establish the claims of Carson. As soon as he gets the big

Found Dead.

ceived in the most select of New

Instantly Killed.

while the cities of England are every St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 20.-While pilotyear getting a larger measure of home Ing a heavy train up the Merchants' prising that he has concluded not to singer was crushed into an unrecognizable mass.

Railroad Extension.

Topeka, Kan., Dec. 20,-J. J. Hagertension of the road from Roswell, N. erbockers."-Indianapolis Journal, M., to the terminus of the Atchison, A statistician has figured that there Topeka and Santa Fe railway at Pan-

tot. Butz Executed.

Havana Dec 20 -The naws tole graphed to the United States via Key West that Lieut, Col Ruiz has been Blanco, the captain general of Cuba, and was recently sent to confer with the insurgents.

Col. Ruiz proceeded into the country on Monday last, having previously written a letter to Aranguren.

Saturday night a consular employe, Senor Tosca, who had been commissioned by Gen. Lee to make inquiries, returned from Campo, Florida, three leagues distant from the insurgent encampment at Tubacatura. He says he met outposts of Aranguren's force and that the chief of the party confirmed the report that on his arrival Col. Ruis was met by Aranguren and an escort of twelve men who received him warmly. Ruiz urged the party to accept autonomy, and congratulated himself that he would induce them to return

with him to Havana. The insurgents in camp had not been prepared for the visit by Aranguren and seeing Ruiz in his uniform and learning the object of his visit, they demanded the application of the proclamation of Gomez and Rodriguez, which orders the infliction of death penalty on all persons who attempt to induce chiefs of the rebellion to surrender.

In compliance with their demands a courtmartial was formed and the sentence of death was passed upon

Senor Tosca adds that Aranguren stood aloof during the trial and allowed the death sentence to be carried out. Col. Ruiz was executed with

FISHING SMACKS.

Seven Seized by the United States Revenue Cutter McLane.

New York, Dec. 20 .- According to a correspondent in Punta Gorda, Florida, navigation laws. The smacks have

the football field. But the student Chicago of a stock of wheat such as The officers of the McLane report still has an advantage over the ath- did not seem possible at the beginning that while cruising along the west lete. In his maturer years he is much of the season. The demand and sup- coast in the vicinity of Charlotte harmore likely to see his portrait among ply prospect at the opening of the bor they discovered the vessels fishing presses these shipments are exchanged wheat season was that Chicago would in American waters. On the approach get but little wheat. By reason of a of the cutter the Spanlards made an efchronic corner, recently reaching more fort to escape, but were apprehended, A new use for onions has been dis- acute stages at or above \$1 per bushel, an officer placed aboard and under the General Freight Agent Barnhart of the over to the authorities for investigacovered. Recently bloodhounds were the chances are good for a local stock escort of the McLane were brought in-

end of December. There has been at- The vessels are owned in Havana seas.

Owing to the scarcity of fish on the

lodged against them, charging them ported to Washington.

New Builroad. cattle country and the territory here- lene public school building. tofore controlled by the Santa Fe, Rock Island and Denver and Gulf.

Chicago, Dec. 20 .- A special from near the county poorhouse, before day-Washington says: "There has been a break yesterday morning and carried days and the members of the commit- money and vendor's lein notes amounttee on foreign relations are now quite ing to \$280. Mrs. Rubiola and two nexation of the Hawalian islands as a of the burglars. The safe was carried tives are thoroughly protected."

Wires Broken. consequence. All telegraph wires have It was all over, then, been prostrated in every direction.

Probably Lying.

Wickwire-"Either Mudge is more

Uncle Eben's Philosophy. "Yoh can't allus tell which ter put do eredit by lookin' at de surface," said Unele Eben. "De cork on de fishin'

Dallas, Tex., Dec. 20-Dallas was almost completely cut off from the outside world yesterday. All of the wires of the Western Union and the Postal Rulz is an aid de camp of Marshal Telegraph companies were down in every direction. The telephone company was almost as badly crippled, but

Damage Done by Sleet and Ice.

along in the evening got a wire to Galvesten, and over this they got a brief telegraphic service. The telegraph master. companies say that this is the worst tie-up in the history of the companies. Saturday they were working one or two of the long circuits, and supposed that they might pull through in some sort of shape, though considerably battered. Yesterday the thaw set in, and

the damage was trobled. Poles are down by the hundreds, wires snapped beneath the weight of ice, falling trees got in their work, and from one cause and another, not a message was able to go through. For only part of the day the Postal was working with Texarkana. From there business went to Memphis the best way it could.

Reports from all over the state are to

the effect that the storm was general over north, east and west Texas, and that its severity was not tempered. dress. Any assistance that I can Farmers are of opinion it will be of givebenefit to winter wheat, but the loss in schedules badly disarranged by the you till this business is settled." storm. All trains into Dallas were late, and the prostration of wires led to almost inextricable confusion. Estimates of damage in the north end of the state vary from \$25,000 to \$100,000. Accurate figures will not be obtainable on." until all the reports are in. Betwen | The curate looked at him with surtwo stations on the Houston and Texas | prise. Central twenty-three poles are down. and this is said to be an indication of prisoner-that you want to lock me

the work of the sleet and wind. To-day the chances are that things will be in shape again. The telegraph You see. Young lady poisoned-friends and telephone companies say they will not forthcoming. No doubt you'll be have enough wires to handle their business, the work of restoration having begun early yesterday.

COMPRESS MEN.

Commission Against Cotton Shippers. Austin, Tex., Dec. 20.-A compress

man has complained to the railroad said the doctor. commission that certain cotton shippers are shipping past first compresses George Caulfield, who was conveyed in to their own presses under through a cab to Milldale Jail, where he was bills of lading, and that at their own subjected to the ignominious process for other lots of cotton, and in some cases are forwarded as local cotton in fact. General Attorney Perkins and Cotton Belt yesterday stated the above tion, practice works an injustice to the railroads as well as compresses, and permit from the Spanish authorities where railroads had proof of the above authorizing them to fish on the high fact, they could refuse to refund the charge for hauling from point of origin to compress. It was stated the rail. Cuban coast the shallow waters of Florida, with an almost inexhaustible supply, offer special inducements to compress. It was stated the rail-roads, to protect themselves, would have to have a man employed at each compress to keep tab on each bale of bloodhounds were thrown off the scent, lets Thought That They Will Meet in the Florida, with an almost inexhaustible have to have a man employed at cach supply, offer special inducements to compress to keep tab on each bale of those vessels who assemble at all times cotton. Mention was made before the in the vicinity of Dry Tortugas and commission of another sharp practice to write a long letter to his mother, re-

Attempt at Poisoning.

Teachers Meet.

County Teachers' association was in session at Simmons' college Friday Guthrie, Ok., Dec. 20-It was author- evening and yesterday. The exercises itatively announced here yesterday were very interesting and instructive, that the Gould lines are tacking the though the attendance was small on will push it to completion at once dent, and Miss Lulu Greer secretary. across Oklahoma from Coffeyville. The next meeting will be held on the Kan., into Texas in order to tap the third Friday in February in the Abi-

San Antonio, Tex., Dec. 20.—Burglars broke into the store of Mrs. F. Bubiola,

A Romantie Marriage. Tom Bean, Tex., Dec. 20.-A romantic

Texarkana, Ark., Dec. 20.-The most marriage between two of the best wonderful weather that has ever visit- known young people in this locality rule, the cities of America are actually bridge incline yesterday an engine of cd this country has prevailed here for has just been announced. Last August getting less of it. There is hardly a the Terminal Railway association the past thirty-six hours. The earth Mr. John Pendele, Jr., and Mies Alice city in the country whose local affairs jumped the track and plunged to the is covered with a heavy coating of ice, Frisbie were married by Rev. Mr. Mulare not meddled with by the county or ground. The fireman was instantly which has completely suspended all key. They agreed to keep the fact of killed, and Engineer J. H. McCulloch modes of intercourse. The same condi- their marriage secret until Christmas was dashed head first through the cab tion prevailed over the trees and day. This they did until a day or so window and injured. W. H. Cobb, shrubbery, many valuable shade trees ago. After the ceremony the groom during the last two decades. With yard agent of the East Side yards, had being broken down under the weight returned to school at Whitewright, and during the last two decades. With several ribs broken. Fireman Pinsech a record as this it is a little sur-

"Brother Jim has the bicycle face, Joe has the bicycle hump, Sister Sue humble than any other known man, has the bicycle leg and Tom has wheels man, president of the Pecos Valley or he is a liar." Yabsley-"Will you in his head." "Any other bleyele allit must be getting pneumatic."-Truth.

Switzerland's Fighting Force. Switzerland, though she spends only half a million dollars yearly on her army, can turn out 100,000 trained men in two days in case of need and has a reserve of 100,000 more and a landsturm of 270,000.

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George Caulfield's Journey

He had seen a good many murderers

prisoner's guilt made very little dif-

ference to his feelings. Guilty or not

guilty, a man who was free-handed

amount was not much, but that odd

This functionary informed Mr. Caul-

"Which gives you time to communi-

"But I haven't any solicitor," an-

swered the prisoner. "I never had any

"So much the better for you, sir,"

responded the failor, sententiously;

"but you must have a lawyer to watch

"I'll wait till my friend, the Vicar of

Freshmead, comes, and take his advice

about it," said George. "I know he'll

come as soon as the rall can bring

His confidence was not ill-placed.

Soon after noon Mr. Leworthy was

ushered into his room. He was be-

tween fifty and sixty-a man with a

countenance full of vivid intelligence,

bright brown eyes, and gray hair, worn

longer than the fashion. It was alto-

gether a poetic head; but the man's

temperament fitted him for action and

effort as thoroughly as his intellect

Such a friend as this was verily a

friend in need. The two men clasped

hands, and for the first minute George

"Tell me all about it," said the vicar,

her in the train. She must have been

brought to the station in some kind of

vehicle-cab, bath-chair-something.

The first thing to be done is to have

He telegraphed to the Grandchester

attorney, and got the inquest post-

poned from four till five. He saw the

medical man; he talked to the police.

A police officer had started for Grand-

chester by an early train to hunt up the

information as could be got in a few

The inquest was held at the chief ho-

tel in Milldale, in a large dining-room.

which was only used on civic and par-

ticular occasions. Here, under a blaze

of gas, the curate of St. Philemon's

South Kensington, found himself for

the first time in his life face to face

with a British jury and a British coro-

Mr. Hargrave, M. R. C. S., general

practitioner at Mildale, declared that

the deceased, name unknown, had died

anum. There had been no post-mor-

tem, and he saw no necessity for one.

The color of the face, the odor of the

lips, the abnormal coldness of the

corpse, were sufficient evidence as to

the nature of the poison. The bottle

found in the prisoner's possession con-

The railway guard and station-mas-

ter stated all they knew about the ar-

rival of the deceased at Milldale Junc-

tion. Both described the prisoner as

The constable who had been sent to

He had found Mr. Elsden, of Briar-

gate—a man of sixty, stout, gray, bald,

in every attribute unlike the man de-

scribed so graphically by Mr. Caul-

field. Mr. Elsden had been able to of-

fer no suggestion as to the stranger

who had made such a shameful use of

The constable had afterward gone

to no less than four cab-yards, where

the limited time. He had been unable

to find any cabman who had driven an

invalid lady to the station on the pre-

vious evening. He had next hunted

numerous chemists' shops in that thriv-

ing city, and that remained to be done.

There was no evidence on Mr. Caul-

mead's evidence as to his character and

ly parted with him at eleven o'clock on

he had made all inquiries possible in

Grandchester was next examined.

tained laudanum. Sensation!

violently agitated.

his card.

must get it put off till five."

George, "and how clever!"

the breed."

hours.

ner.

gave him mastery in brain-work.

Caulfield was speechless.

cate with your sollcitor," he saided,

field that the inquest was to take place

sixpence marked the distinction.

at four o'clock that afternom.

law business in my life."

this here case for you."

grandly.

him."

prison.

brows.

CHAPTER L-(CONTINUED.) He took the card from his breast- in his time, and the possibility of his pocket and handed it to the station-

"Mr. Elsden, Briargate," the read aloud.

with half-crown pieces was entitled to "Elsden," said the doctor. "I know respect. The difference between a halfan Elsden of Briargate-a big man crown and a florin, was just the differwith large white whiskers?" he interenco between your real gentleman and the spurious article. The actual

rogated, turning to the curate. "No, this was a young man; pale, dark and good looking."

"Ah, I don't know who he can be. There'll have to be an inquest to-morrow morning, and the best thing we can do is to telegraph to Elsden, of Briargate, directly the office is open. Very strange that the lady's friends should not have appeared."

"I shall lose my train," cried George Caulfield, seeing the last lingerers hurrying to their places. "Here's my card," handing one to the doctor. "You may communicate to me at that ad-

"Beg your pardon, sir," said the concattle and sheep may counterbalance stable, laying an authoritative hand this. The railroads have had their upon him. "I shall be obliged to detain

"I shall be wanted as a witness at the inquest." "Yes, sir; most likely, sir. It will be

my duty to detain you. Better not talk too freely, sir. Any statement you now make may be used against you later

"Do you mean to say that I am your

"Well, yes, sir. Very suspicious case, able to explain matters to-morrow; but for to-night you must consider your-

self in custody." "Yes, of course, I shall be able to explain," said George Caulfield, calm and bold, now that he found himself face to face with actual peril, "but it is a most painful position. I feel that a trap has been set for me."

"You had better hold your tongue," So the London Mail left without of having his pockets searched by a jailer. In one of them was found the little bottle given him by the gentleman at Grandchester, and this, togeth-

er with a few other trifles, was handed CHAPTER II. NSTEAD of making any vain attempt at sleep. George Caulfield asked for pens, ink case. Brockbank, of Grandchester, and paper, and a will be the man-always about the lamp that would criminal court there, up to every move, last him for the best part of the

night; and on these luxuries being conceded, he sat down Complaints have frequently been cotton by additions at the compress. erable journey, and entreating her not to take alarm at his situation, whatever she might read about him in the travel by the morning post, could be any means; but I can serve a friend as old lady that her son was safe, and detained at Milldale on business. Some hours of anxiety the son could not spare that beloved mother; and it was more painful to him to think of her trcuble, when five o'clock came and brought no returning traveler, than to

contemplate his own position. "Dear old lady! I can fancy her and all her neat and careful arrangements when the time comes, and no hansom drives up to the gate, what agonies she Abilene, Tex., Dec. 20 .- The Taylor will suffer! for I have never accustomed her to disappointments. I have never broken my word to her in my

life." The curate fretted and fumed at the thought of his mother's anxiety. He was an only and an adoring son-at thirty-two years of age a confirmed bachelor, loving no one on earth as well as he loved the widowed mother whose cherished companion he had been from childhood upward. Had she not removed her dearly loved goods and chatte's to Eton, and lived in a from the effects of a large dose of laudsmall house in the High street all the time her boy was at school there? Had she not followed him to Cambridge as faithfully as a sutler follows a camp? And now she had one of the prettiest houses in South Kensington, and her son was first curate at the most intensely Gothic church in that locality. George Caulfield's mother was the love of his life. He had been assisting at a choral festival at a small town near Grandchester, where an old college friend of his father was vicar, and had been only three days away from the dainty little nest at South Kensington, where blue china plates had just broken out like pimples, on a sagegreen wall, and where the Queen Anne mania showed itself modestly in divers inexpensive details.

"Poor mother!" sighed George; "a telegram can hardly reach her before nine o'clock at the earliest."

He read his Tennyson; he dozed a little; he got rid of the night somehow and at seven o'clock he had written and dispatched two telegrams.

The first was to his mother: the second was to the vicar, from whom he had parted at eleven o'clock the previcus morning, and to whom he was inclined to look for succor, as one of the cleverest and most energetic men he knew.

This latter message was brief: "From George Caulfield, Milldale Jail, to Edward Leworthy, Freshmead | field's behalf, except the Victor of Fresh-Vicarage.-Come to me at once, for

God's sake! I am in a great difficulty." antecedents, and to the fact that he on-Mr. Cauifield's janitor brought him a comfortable breakfast by and by, and | the previous morning at the Freshmend a gentleman when he saw one, he told miles from Grandchester. the curate, though he had had to deat with a rough lot in this beastly hole. when he left you?" asked the coroner. Date.

Grandchester." "Has he any friends or acquaintances in that city?"

"No. He was going to look at the athedral and law-courts, and to spend hour or two in the Oldbury Li-

"He was going to spend the day in

"He was to dine somewhere, I suppose?

"He meant to dine at a restaurant. There are a good many dining-places in Grandchester; he could take his choice among them."

After this witness had been examined the inquiry was adjourned for a

week. At the close of the proceedings Me Brockbank, the lawyer, asked I his client might be released on bail, tho Vicar of Freshmead being prepared to offer himself as security to any amount, but the coroner replied that the case was of too serious a nature to admit

So Mr. Caulfield went back to the stony place whence he had come, where the utmost privilege that could be accorded him was the liberty to see his friends at stated hours, and to have his meals supplied from an adjacent hotel.

His spirits would have assuredly gone down to the point of utter despondency on that gloomy winter evening, when the moldy fly that had conveyed him to the George Hotel carried him back to the jail, had he not been supported and sustained by the indomitable cheerfulness of his friend the vicar.

"What do you think of the case now?" he asked.

"Think!" cried Mr. Leworthy. "Why, that I shall have so much to do in Grandchester ferreting out this mystery of yours during the next six days that I don't know how the deuce my parish work is to get done."

"Won't you employ the police?" "Of course I shall; but I shall employ myself too. Don't you be downhearted, George, I mean to see you safely through this business, and I shall do it right away, as they say

sitting down by his friend's side with on the other side of the Atlantic.' as cheerful an air as if it were a com-George Caulfield's confidence in his mon thing for him to find a friend in father's old friend was unbounded. He had seen in the past how the Vicar of George Caulfield related his dreadful Freshmead could conquer difficulties adventure of the previous night, the which the ruck of then would have vicar listening intently, with knitted found insurmountable. Mr. Leworthy dined with him as cheerfully as if they "It looks very like murder," he said had been eating whitebait at Greenat last. "The poor creature was carried wich or tustle in Aldersgate street unto the station in a dying state, and that der the most exhiarating circumstentorious breathing you noticed when stances; and stimulated by the force of the train started was the last struggle. example, George, the had scarcely broken his fast ace he left Grand-Don't be afraid, my dear boy; there's not the slightest reason for uneasiness. chester, found hisself enjoying the Our business is to find out all about tavern steak and avern claret. this poor lady, and the man who placed

(TO BE ONTINUED.)

CHARLES STWART PARNELL. The Real Mean's of the Policy of

inquiries made among the cabmen and Otruction. cab proprietors. The police will do all Many people t him down merely as a man who, ou't some sort of sinister that; but I shall have to watch your interests in the matter. You must purpose or mrinity wished on The have a clever lawyer, too, to watch the fere with and harass, obstruct and ritate every English government ar the whole house of commons, writ Justin McCarthy in "A History of I'll telegraph to him instantly. The Own Times." Mr. Parnell had no feer inquest is to be at four, you say. I ing of the kind. His was a deliberate purpose, and it was even by the pro-"How good you are!" exclaimed cess of exasperation that he tried to fix the attention of the house and the "I'm a man of the world, that's all. country on the fact that there was an Some pious people think that a parson Irish national demand which it would has no right to be a man of the world. be necessary to listen to and take into forgetting who it was that told us to consideration. Parnell's creed was be wise as serpents. I'm not the popthat the house of commons was the ular idea of a parson, you know, by one great public platform of the cour try. From that platform he was d well as your strait-laced specimen of termined to appeal to and arouse the English people. Therefore he said in He was a man of abounding cheersubstance to the house of commons: "If fulness and infinite capacity for work. you will not listen to our Irish naas prone to embellish his conversation tional claim, then we will not allow you with occasional flowers of modern to discuss any other question whatever slang as he had been forty years ago o' which we can prevent the discussion. at Eton. He was just the man George Caulfield wanted in this crisis of his

He acted on the inspiration of the woman in the eastern story-of which woman he had probably never heard -who, having tried in vain to get a petition delivered to the sultan, took her place with the little children in the public street, and waited until the sultan rode that way, and then flung herself and babes in front of the horse's owner of the card, and obtain as much hoofs, and declared that she would not move from that spot until he had listened to her appeal or had trampled her and hers to death. That was the real meaning of the later policy of obstruction. It had its effect.

> HE MOVED THEM ON. But Didn't Arrest Them for Being

Drunk and Disorderly. Their fixed and glassy eyes were sufficient indication of their condition announced to all the world by the placards they wore on their breasts bearing the legend, "I am blind," in large black letters, says the New York Telegram. In the left hand of each was a large tin cup and in their right hands they carried long sticks with which to direct their steps. Their arms were locked together and the sticks were kept busy directing their wandering steps. They lurched around the corner of the Herald building and brought up one on either side of the bulletin

board. From this coign of vantage the two emitted shricks of hearty, wholesouled merriment from time to time, for both were drunk, gloriously drunk. Blindness was for the time being a forgotten condition. Visions as good as realty started out of the darkness before the sightless eyes of each. humanity was kin to the two, and they were proclaiming the fact to the attentive world represented by the night birds that make the street their bome. A torpid cop was awakened from his slumbers by the unusual noise and prepared with uplifted club to enforce the majesty of the law. When he saw the cardboard placards, however, he changed his mind and muttered: "Poor out the only bath-chair proprietor in devils! it's little enough fun they have. Grandchester, with the same result. I'll just move them on a bit and leave Time had not allowed him to visit the | them be."

Drunkenness is no respecter of conditions but, strange to say, the law sometimes is.

Got It from a Book

Mrs. Porkley-I often wond how people manage to understand sach other in France. Mrs. Gotham-How was inclined to sympathize. He knew Road Station. Freshmead was seven absurd! Mrs. Porkley-Well, both my daughters speak French, and they "What was Mr. Caulfield going to do can't understand each other.-Up-tothere people Belize, countr The "Eu ward ness (of the ceed 1 carve If the selves caugh pean solzed

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country. If the American people allow themselves to be beguited into unpreparedness for war they will assuredly be caught all unready by vigilant European nations and their sea power, whereupon Latin America will be seized, as a for does a fat capon."

there is a sentiment among Mexican

eventual freeing of the new world from him to leave the premises. every trace of European control, is much broader than the Monroe docaction of the twenteth century.

POPULIST AUCUS.

The Members of the Hope of Representatives Adopt Relutions.

the Populist members except that referring the civil ser-

lived, that it is the sense of this s to enable any party that may n power to fill the different posiin civil service with partisans. Resolved, that we are opposed to and resist all efforts to destroy our same except in exchange for gold.

dividual.

resolution recognizing the independence of the Cuban republic. Resolved, that we are in favor of the

early passage of an equitable voluntary bankruptcy bill.

discovered in flames, and before the assassin made no attempt to escape. vote, fire department could get a stream When seized he offered to go quietly to playing on the building was past say- the police station. ing and was soon a mass of ruins. The building contained the United States clerk of the court, marshal and commisisoner's offices, which were destroyed, together with many important and Valuable records and papers. Among the papers destroyed were all those pertaining to probate, civil and assignment cases and expired mort-

Virginia Veterans. Richmond, Va., Dec. 17.—Col. James S. Stubbs, grand commander of the grand camp Confederate Veterans of Virginia, through Adjt. Gen. Thomas Elliott, yesterday morning issued a general order calling a meeting of the advisory council to be held in Lynchburg, Va., January 20 next. The order states that the honor and fidelity of the grand commander have been assailed and his resignation requested as the result of an investiga-

Banks Charted. Guthrie, Ok., Dec. 17.-The territorial banking board issued new bank harters yesterday as follows: e bank at Parry, capital stock 45,000. Directors, F. G. alouty, A. Mecandless, Kay County Moore, H. A. McCandless, Kay County able property. Moore, H. A. McCandiess, May Could, able property. The water gauges be-000. Directors, R. W. Smith, S. E. Smith, Daval Jackson, J. A. Brown, H. H. Smeck, J. W. Walch. Bank of Cush-H. Smeck, J. W. Water, Directors, fort boiler was torn to pieces and ing, capital stock \$5000. Directors, wheels, belting pipes and iron rods Fred L. Pittman, M. Hough and M. E. filled the air.

Dawes Commission Atoka, I. T., Dec. 17.-Col. Mike Conecutive committee for the Indian Territory, returned from Washington yes. terday morning. While in the capital, he and two members of the Dawes commission were assured by the commissioner of Indian affairs that it was the policy of the government this ses sion to give the United States courts exclusive jurisdiction over the Indians, to allot the land to the members of to allot the land to the land to take fort of the enemy will be all that could be desired. away their autonomy,

Dec. 17.-William Terriss.

ter last night. there was some agitation over sind in the English version of win. Service." Terris occed to be a forr r. The muror as he was expressing his regret at not being able lerer rushed at ment from his to attend the reunion. stepping across th

ust below the ab, and stabbed I, his murderer was selzed by per he theater. The wounded man was said he desired to refer to some great will be taken up diplomatically, for the hospital, but Terriss expired in fifteen of the war, but that such was not the

foreigner, and wore a long cloak. Ter- dates far back of the war. It was a tion is mainly due to the fact that the riss fell shouting, "My God! He's case of jealousy on the part of the latter of cur monetary system is still the proper time he would offer the derrick at the "Possum" well, on the fixture. She note like an automaton. stabbed me! Don't let him escape." manufacturing states. He then told largely in doubt. Over-confidence as official information in possession of the The assassin withdrew the dagger and of several instances that occurred durmade a second plunge at his victim, ing the later fifties. He said when but was seized by the spectators, of President Jackson made the purchase whom there was a large crowd about of Louisiana, the New England states the stage entrance, to witness the ar- objected very strongly, saying that it take to suppose that the numerous rival of the actors. Mr. Terriss was was giving the agricultural states an friends of such systems will be entirely placed on the landing of the stairway, unfair advantage over the manufactur- satisfied by a return of prosperity. just inside the theater, where he at- ing states. He said the New England | Hard times, which did not originate er the matter. The newspapers, howev- tempted to speak, but it was impos- states then threatened to secede. The the silver question, have undoubtedly er, are likely to make much of the sible. He quickly succumbed, while same thing took place when the state been used by interested parties to inselzure if it turns out to be a fact, for surrounded by the theater folks.

ness of the great republic, champion large audience had already assembled threatened to secede except the New of the Monroe Doctrine, they may pro- for the evening performance, and the England states. Until the south had ceed under one pretext or another to manager came to the footlights and decided to withdraw from the union, carve up South and Central America. announced that as Mr. Terriss had met there was never a question raised as with an accident, no performance to the right of one state to withdraw would be given. It appears that the from the union. When the great

he is reported to have replied: "He their country.

subterfuge of refusing to reissue the colleagues yesterday morning, and high on the scroll of fame." money, to any bank, corporation or in- Another member of the Adelphi com- the field of battle." pany says the assassin was known at Major J. E. Fitzgerald of San An-Resolved, that we favor the early the theater as "Mad Archer," and that tonio seconded the nomination as a Methodist Episcopal church, doubled in consideration and passage of a joint when ordered off the premises the member of Albert Sydney Johnson capacity by throwing open the Sundaynight preceding the murder he mut- camp, in a neat speech. he stood in the wings and indulged in sition with more credit. Ardmore, I. T., Dec. 17.—About 4 sarcastic comments on Mr. Terriss' act- Major Fitzgerald then moved that

John Morgan Hanged.

Ripley, W. Va., Dec. 17 .- John Morgan was hanged here yesterday afternoon. The drop fell without any unspent the time crying. He recovered himself so as to go on the scaffold with Morgan, also known as John Raines, was hanged was one of the most remarkable in the history of the state and attracted wide attention, not only on account of the unusual brutality of the murder, but from the fact that there was no apparent motive for the deed, the family he murdered, that of Mrs. Edward Green, having been his benefactor since childhood.

France, the other night.

Boller Explosion. Little Rock, Ark., Dec. 17 .-- A boiler explosion occurred at the mill owned by Stobaugh & Jennings, at Choctaw. Van Buren county, resulting in the loss of two lives, the scalding of two other Fireman Presley turned on the pumps and an explosion followed. The 30-

A Considerable Admission Atoka, I. T., Dec. 11.

Ian, chairman of the Republican ex- baby looks like me," said the blushing young man, "What does the blushing "Of course, all my aunts say that the to that?" asked the elder man. "Well. she admits that perhaps I may resemble the baby a little,

> From the St. Louis Globe-Democrat: Uncle Sam's fleet of five torpedo boats is called a "mosquito squadron," and if it lives up to its name, the discom-

Confederate Veterans. San Antonio, Tex., Dec. 17.-The secwn actor, was assassinated, and and last day's session of the state tabbed with a knife, as he was confederate reunion was brought to a ng the stage door of the Adelphi close yesterday evening. At the morning session the matter of having the Villiam Terrisa has been playing in state increase the appropriation for the ndon in the English version of Wm. Confederate home at Austin was distlant is sup- demands of the veterans adopted. A letter from Gov. Culberson was read,

> The principal address of the day was that of Judge J. H. Reagan. After pay- says: to were outside ing tribute to the departed veterans, he

the special editions of the evening pa- said the southern states were not re- will be made subservient thereto. The of the bill had been concluded. It was Medical association will wind up the pers were out, and the newsboys were sponsible for slavery. He stated they only way to meet it is by persistent apparent from the remarks made that business and adjourn. Fort Worth was shouting around the theater exits that were brought here by Dutch traders education, for which some of the sound the entire subject will be exhaustively selected as the next place of meeting. Mr. Terriss had been murdered. At and sold to the people of the north. first the people refused to place any There they remained until they were without very much popular interest or rence of Massachusetts January 8 was D. Potts of Bonham; vice president, credence in the report, but when they no longer useful, that part of the support, and by the adoption of a sound set aside for paying tribute to the Dr. H. O. Masters of Rock Hill, secre-Washington, Dec. A caucus of found it was true, horror and indigna- country engaging very largely in man- financial policy, including not only memory of the late Representative tary, Dr. R. F Miller of Sherman; one day she turned round and said the house of tion were generally expressed. When ufacturing, then the slaves were sold coinage, but banking and currency. Wright, his predecessor. Then, withat the Na- Archer arrived at the police station he to the people of the south, to work While our present system exists, there out further preliminary business the Delegates to the American Medical as- anyone else again, if I live to be 54 tional hotel last night The following still held the weapon, apparently a big their fields, and the money thus real- is the ever-impending danger of a repe- house went into committeee of the sociation, Inge of Denton, Gilereast of years old. Then followed symptoms resolutions were adopt unanimously, butcher knife, concealed beneath his ized was spent in building up new ma- tition of our late financial difficulties, whole and proceeded to the consideracape. On being charged with murder chinery, manufactures, and building up when the country would be at the tion of the legislative, executive and Worth, Markham of Denton, and R. H. lessly ill. At times during all these

us that we will resist all efforts this morning, and I am out of it for Major W. B. Sayers of Gonzales as of careful attention in the meantime in charge of the measure, explained of Dallas, Walker of Paris, Bradford modify the existing civil service life." The murderer was placed in a major general to command the Texas unless by some very unexpected concell, and is under a special watch. division of confederate veterans. The tingency we shall have an unprecedenttor tells a curious story of how he great applause. Capt. Kyle said of dreamed that he saw Mr. Terriss lying him: "Although he enlisted as a prigreenbacks and treasury notes wheth- on a landing, surrounded by a crowd, vate when a mere stripling, before the truit be by direct legislation or by the and raving. He says: "I told my war was over his name was written

could not get the horrible dream off Gen. J. M. Pearson, as a representaesolved, that we are opposed to any my mind the whole day. Judge of my tive of the northeastern division, entme of enlarging the powers of na. horror on arriving at the theater last bracing forty counties, seconded the I banks; that we oppose the con- night just as the deed was perpetrated! nomination, saying: "I am glad to g of the power to issue notes de- I believe that but for the police the place before this convention a man signed to have the same functions as crowd would have lynched Archer." who has plucked so many honors on

tered, "Not yet!" Others say that Major Joseph G. Booth of Austin, a Archer nursed a grievance against Mr. member of Terry's Texas Rangers, also Terriss even before he left his employ- took the floor and said he thought ment at the theater. More than once there was no one who could fill the po-

Ardmore, I. T., Dec. 11. Additional such as "Fools often succeed in Major Sayers be elected by acclamao'clock yesterday morning the large life where men of genius fail." The tion, and the motion carried by a rising

NEEDING RAIN.

Stock Water Getting Scarce Around

Abilene. Abilene, Tex., Dec. 17 .- T. J. Smith Wednesday received seven carloads of usual incidents except that Morgan cattle from Orange and Kirbyville, broke down during the forenoon and Texas. They will be driven to his stock are showing the effects of a scarcity of it. In some instances they have to travel long distances between grass and water, and in such cases they can not remain long in good condition for the winter. The drouth has been long and severe.

Another negro was lynched at Bankston Ferry, Miss., recently, as an ac-Alphonse Daudet died at Paris, complice of the murderer, Charlie Lewis.

Severe Wenther.

Corsicana, Tex., Dec. 17.-Yesterday was even a more disagreeable day than Wednesday with its wind storm and blinding clouds of dust and sand. A cold, misty rain was falling and there was but little stirring about by the people unless business compelled it. The cold mist seemed to dig into a fellow's bones and even overcoata were not sufficient to give comfort. It was a miserable, bleak, suicidal kind of a day.

Found Dead. gan Antonio, Tex., Dec. 17.-Emanuel Moke, a well known dry goods merchant of this city, was found dead in BOARD OF TRADE.

The National Association Convenes

Washington, Dec. 15.-The National Board of Trade met here yesterday for its twenty-eighth annual session, ex-Gov. Stanard of St. Louis presiding in motion to adjourn was made by Mr. the absence of Mr. Frederick Fralley Hoar of Massachusetts. of Philadelphia, who has been president of the board since its organizatee made its annual report, which was Probably there is no subject which is

still of such importance as that of the iexico claims as belonging to her, has carried into the theater, and doctors facts. He said it is generally underwere called from the Charing Cross stood that slavery was the main cause in favor of sound money in 1896 was acted. not without its good effect, there is case, although it was one of the chief still much to be desired in the way of The assassin had the appearance of a causes of the war He said the trouble a permanent prosperity, which condithe defeat of free silver at the last election is a serious mistake. While hard times are undoubtedly a stimulus to unsound systems of finance, it is a misof Missouri was admitted to the union, still false ideas into the minds of many The murderer was taken to Bow and when Texas was admitted. He of our people, particularly our working people that England unjustly acquired street police station. His name was said prior to the breaking out of the men and farmers, which have become a Belize, or British Honduras, from this given as Archer. It is said that he had war the various administrations had part of their political belief. A spirit been a "super" at the Adelphi theater been severely criticized and condemned of unrest and dissatisfaction still ex-The Mexican Herald editorially says: several years ago, and for some days when the various states did not think ists among such classes, and there is "European nations are looking for- past he has haunted the theater. The the policy pursued by the government no evidence that among such any great ward to the time when, by the weak- motive of the crime is not known. A was right, but that no state had conversion from the free silver doctrine has taken place anywhere in the country. In New York or Nebraska the opinions of the dissatisfied are now practically the same as before the election. The form may have changed. As free silver was but a form and natural sequence of the greenback assassin asked the keeper of the stage northwestern country was settling up. heresy, so now the tendency is to beentrance as to the whereabout of Mr. the people of Indiana and Illinois come a fiat money fallacy, rather than Terriss, and his behavior was so ob- especially asked congress to repeal the a silver fallacy; but in whatsoever noxious that Harry Nicholls, one of the law prohibiting slavery in those states, form it shows itself it has become a money organizations have been contin- debated. mercy of those who do not have its judicial appropriation bills.

> campaign. IMPOSING CEREMONIES.

The President's Mother is Laid to Rest at Canton, O. Canton, O., Dec. 15 .- Although it rained almost incessantly all day yesterday, the crowd attending the funeral of Mrs. Nancy Allison McKinley was numbered by thousands. The First school rooms and gallery, was filled to overflowing long before the beginning of the service. The great rostrum of the church was a bank of flowers. After the simple ceremony, thousands after thousands passed through the church, each stopping an instant at the altar to take a last look at the remains. With the president in the first pew was his sister, Miss Helen, and his brother, Abner, with their sister, Mrs. Duncan, of Cleveland. Immediately back of them was the aged sister of the departed. Mrs. Osborn of Youngstown, surrounded by grandchildren and ot...er near relatives. Back of these were members of the cabinet, the Washington visitors; Congressman Taylor, representing this district; Hon. Whitelaw Reid of New York, H. H. Kohlsatt of ranch on Double Mountain river, in Chicago, and many other intimate Stonewall county. Stock water has friends of the family from various composure. The crime for which John become the crying necessity in this points. When the cortege reached the part of the country. In many places cemetery, the burial ground of the Mc-Kinley family was surrounded by an immense crowd, who seemed to give no heed to the inclement weather. canvas canopy had been erected near family and those assisting in the last sad rites. The family lot was literally covered with the numerous floral offer-

ings sent by sympathizing friends from all over the country. The annual meeting of the National Berkshire Record association is in session at Louisville, Ky.

Luetgert on Trial. Chicago, Ill., Dec. 15 .- After two weeks spent in securing a jury, the second trial of Adolph L. Luetgert, the burly sausage manufacturer, accused commenced before Judge Gary yesterday. The courtroom was crowded when the case was called. Every available seat was taken. The prosecution, as in the former trial, was represented by State's Attorney Denen and Assistant State's Attorney Mc-Ewen.

Wages Reduced. Fall River, Mass., Dec. 15 .- Notices of the proposed reduction of wages bed at his home yesterday morning. In posted yesterday announce that the rehis right hand was clasped a 45-cali-bre revolver, which he had used to tails to be given out later. The secresend a bullet through his head. He was tary of the manufacturers' committee prominent in Jewish circles and was announced that the committee voted to formerly wealthy. He has had busi- inaugurate a general reduction of ness reverses of late and a distress wages in all departments on the same warrant was issued against his stock of basis. The price for weaving a cut of goods. This business trouble led to 28-inch 64x64 print cloth will be re-

Washington, Dec. 15.- The senata vesterday, adjournment being taken until to-day out of respect to President McKinley, who is in attendance upon the funeral of his mother. The

"All senators," he said, "are aware of the great calamity that has overtion in 1868. The executive commit- taken the chief magistrate of the nation. He is in attendance upon the adopted without a dissenting vote. On funeral of his mother. Out of respect the subject of currency, the report to him and as an expression of sympathy for him in his affliction, I move that the senate do now adjourn." No business beyond the introduc-

bill as a substitute for that which is Boltz place, just north of the Lang She moves only when somebody moves now pending before the senate. from the measure now before the sen- in falling, barely missed reaching a suls at the points nearest to their homes. It is a serious hardship for these people to cross the ocean with the prospect staring them in the face of failing in the test at the port of a foreign country. His feeling of stage fright doubtless so seriously effects

consideration. At 12:15 p. m. the senate ad-

journed. Washington, Dec. 15.-The house

The understudy of the deceased ac- mention of Major Sayers' name evoked ed degree of national prosperity at the amendment to reduce the clerical force members of judicial council, Drs. Sheltime of the next general and presiden- in the pension office by ninety-six mire of Dallas, Pennington of Greential elections—we may expect to see clerks, in voting a reduction of \$115,- ville. the flat money issue the issue of the 000 salaries.

Mr. Bingham did not discuss the appropriations providing for the maintenance of the commission, but stafed State Wool Growers' association conthat the widest latitude would be al- vened here yesterday evening, C. G. lowed for debate even if it should run Burbank, president; George Richardover the holiday recess. He asked, son, secretary: Albert Turner, O. T. however, that the provision of the bill Ward Braggon, Thomas McCall, H. H. features of the bill were concluded. service law is being made, expressed the holidays.

Mr. Bingham's request was agreed to and an hour and a half was set aside for general debate on the rest of the bill.

Fine Hotel to be Built. St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 15 .- It is announced that St. Louis will soon have a new hotel that will cost \$2,000,000, and it is said several Chicagoans and a well known hotel man of Indianapolis will furnish the necessary canital. The location selected for the new hostelry is at the corner of Olive and Twelfth streets, where an option has been secured on the property and a company formed. The hotel is to be the most modern structure of the kind west of the Mississippi river, and the company hopes to be able to close all centracts and commence construction next season.

Mrs. Margaret Hogan was found dead the open grave for the shelter of the in the back end of her store at Mobile, Ala, the other morning.

Same Thing. Bond-"Don't you realize that marriage broadens a man?" Benedict-"Oh, yes; I suppose it can be put that

ways used."-Puck.

church.

The Durrant Case. San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 15 .- The Examiner says the police and the people of Emanuel Baptist church believe that the life of Rev. J. George Gibson, Durrant's former pastor, is in danger. of murdering his wife, Louise, was The police have warned the reverend gentleman to protect himself against the possibility of harm. The warning has been heeded, and Dr. Gibson is protected night and day. One of the members of his congregation has volunteered his services as a bodyguard.

and the police will detail an officer to

attend every public service at Emanuel

way. But 'flattens' is the word I've al-

Cotton Growers Convene. Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 15 .- When the convention of the Southern Cotton Growers met in the ballroom of the Kimball house at noon yesterday, nearly three hundred delegates answered to the roll call. They represented the foremost planters of South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Tennessee, Texas and other southern states. The meeting was called to order by Mr. J. C. Wilborn the president of the South Carolina association. The first business taken

up by the convention was the election of tourparary officers.

WORK OF THE WIND.

was in session just fifteen minutes on perroks Wreeked, Out Buildings and bt. Louis Woman Who Has their Spokes

that, at times, approximated a cyclone. hospital, St. Louis, has only uttered Blinding volumes of sand were whirled one word in twenty years. When she through the streets, making it at times almost impossible for people to remain outside. Not only sand, but small gravel, was taken up by the wind and "No" to a question, she has most rewhirled with great force in people's ligiously kept her word, and at 47 is faces, stinging like shot. In the oil incurably insane. At the city hospifields the crash of falling derricks tal she is regarded as a mystery and could be heard, as one after another the queerest insane woman that ever the wind. The first to go down was Among the bills introduced was one the derrick at the Lang well, No. 2, by Mr. Klye of South Dakota, to which was completely wrecked. No change the immigration laws of the other damage than to the derrick was motionless. If she is fixed in a corner United States. He gave notice that at | done. well. This was also a complete wreck. "In only one feature," said Mr. The next that succumbed to the wind Kyle, "does my bill differ materially was the Pace & Tolliver derrick, which, falling, struck the roof of the oil tank shell, but the sides were held up by the many of them that they are unable to full oil tank. Besides the derricks, will accept no nourishment. do themselves justice in reading the quite a number of out buildings were prescribed sections of the constitution blown down, but no person in the city, at 811 South Third street lives the of the United States. The measure I so far as heard from, was injured, old, widowed mother of Kate Schiehave offered is to remedy what I re- Property damage done by wind will ber. Her form is bent, almost doubled gard as a defect in the measure under probably be \$350 to \$500.

North Texas Medical Association. Dallas, Tex., Dec. 16.-The physiclans of north Texas were in posses- ter had to go out to work early beyesterday after a session of about two sion of Dallas vesterday and the sevhours adjourned out of sympathy for eral sessions of the North Texas Medithe president, whose mother was bur- cal association were largely attended. jolly, light-hearted girl and ambitious ied at Canton vesterday evening. The A number of very interesting papers to get on. She grew up a handsome time of the session was devoted to the were read and officers to serve for the woman, and many eligible young mer dent of the United States, wrote a very national political party. To such the bill. It was decided to postpone the visitors at the Oriental hotel by the of them. Her lover proved faithless The scenes along the street and at able letter to the president, advocating free silver or flat money question is the consideration of the item providing for local physicians, which was largely atprincipal and overshadowing issue, and the maintenance of the civil service tended and was a most flattering sotrine, and will become a principle of the sold address. To-day the North Texas ued and a national one formed, though In the house on motion of Mr. Law- year were elected: President, Dr. R. Chilton of Dallas. Delegates to the twenty years she has regained done me out of the benevolent fund | Capt. Ferg Kyle of Kyle nominated | best interests at heart. In the absence | Mr. Bingham (Rep.) of Pennsylvania | State Medical association, Drs. Smoot | sufficient to enable her to of Honey Grove, Irwin of McKinney,

Wool Growers Meet

San Angelo, Tex., Dec. 16.-The after the consideration of the other were present. In a short address That question having been f-President Burbank congratulated the tled against the three-volume Mr. Groosvenor (Rep.) of Ohio, under wool growers on the improved condi- now comes a new one, concerning c. with constitution and by-laws. On motion, Messrs. Mitchell, Knusenberger, Turner, McCall and Richardson were appointed a committee on constitution and by-laws.

An Expert Visits Corsicana.

Corsicana, Tex., Dec. 16-Col. William Leeky, an expert oil man from book was sent out with its leaves un-Oil City, Pa., who has been in the city cut. It takes at least a quarter of an for several months quietly taking hour for each new reader to cut those notes in the oil fields, left last night leaves. This means that no fewer than for Oil City. Just what Col. Leeky's 25,000 precious hours of the public mission here was has never been made time have necessarily been occupied public. He never divulged his connec- in the profitless work of cutting the tions or his intentions. All that was pages of that one book alone. The generally known of him was that he bookbinder's guillotine would do the gave all his time for several months to work in a fiftieth part of that time watching the work of development And the bookbinder is earning his livand was particularly interested in the output of the wells. He was said by some to be connected with the Standard Oll company, but so far as known he never admitted that he was.

A Buck With a Madstone.

the Smithsonian institute, Washington.

Forest Fires.

Gatesville, Tex., Dec. 16.—So far this week has been fearful for destruction naturalist, stated that the seeds we by fire in the county. The woods are of the genus cercis, commonly called on fire in the western part and the Judas tree, and that they belonged to flames have been raging since Sunday an order of leguminosae found only to evening, doing untold damage to the found, upon examination, that a great county. Several farmers have lost everything. The high winds made the the first stage of germination. fire uncontrollable. Hundreds of men Golden Penny. are engaged combatting the flames. The fire was still raging yesterday evening.

Charged With Robbery

Bonham, Tex., Dec. 16-Yesterday morning Jim owens. Francis Owens liberal in his help to her country and Charlie Homeycutt were jailed by Itles. Sheriff Ridling, charged with the rob- "Mr. X. is dead," said she; "he w pery of Butch True last night at the so good and kind and helpful to me rear of a saloon in this city. True ill sorts of ways. He was so gave the alarm at the time and Night poor dear fellow, we could not know watching a John Looke nursued part. Ilm in London; but we shall meet Watchman John Locke pursued parties seen running away from the vicinity, but they escaped in the darkness. True states that he was relieved

INSANE FROM A RESOLVE

one Word in Twenty Years.

Though rifted with the command of Corsicana, Tex., Dec. 16.-Yesterday speech, Miss Kute Schieber, an inmatu there was blowing a hard south wind of the observation ward of the city was 27 years old, working as a seamstress, Kate made a vow to her mother that she would never speak agan; With the exception of once saying entered the institution. She refuses and carried around without the slight est remonstration from her. If a nurse lays her on the bed she remains there The next to go down was the of the ward she remains a motionless ate. My bill provides that all immi- farmhouse that was occupied by a fam- have hur her, for there was a red grants shall have their test of educa- fly. The pipe in this well was mark on her hand. But she said not tion made by the United States con- wrenched in twain by the falling der- a word, made no sound, and any rick, and the oil spouted out in a big amount of begging could not Induce stream. The last derrick to go down her to utter a syllable. The other pawas at the Rost Oliver well, which, in tients regard her with wonder, not unmixed with fear, and even the nurse is afraid that she will break into some violent act before long. She is becoming weak, however, because she

caused by hard work. She is 77 years old and too feeble to care for her unfortunate daughter. In broken Engcause her father had died, leaving the The same paper remarks that Diaz's principal colleagues of Mr. Terriss, was and Gen. Harrison, the foremost man general theory of public policy and a consideration of the legislative, exemple the same paper remarks that Diaz's principal colleagues of Mr. Terriss, was and Gen. Harrison, the foremost man general theory of public policy and a consideration of the legislative, exemple the same paper remarks that Diaz's principal colleagues of Mr. Terriss, was and Gen. Harrison, the foremost man general theory of public policy and a consideration of the legislative, exemple the same paper remarks that Diaz's principal colleagues of Mr. Terriss, was and Gen. Harrison, the foremost man general theory of public policy and a consideration of the legislative, exemple the same paper remarks that Diaz's principal colleagues of Mr. Terriss, was and Gen. Harrison, the foremost man general theory of public policy and a consideration of the legislative and the contract of the legislative and the contrac The same paper emarks that Diaz's doctrine, which contemplates the limits for a decided to remonstrate, and to order bill be a decided to respect the limits for a decided to respect to the limits for a decided to respect to the limits for a decided to respect to the limits for a decided to remonstrate, and to order limits for a decided to remonstrate, and to order limits for a decided to remonstrate, and to order limits for a decided to remonstrate, and to order limits for a decided to remonstrate, and to order limits for a decided to remonstrate, and to order limits for a decided to remonstrate, and to order limits for a decided to remonstrate, and to order limits for a decided to remonstrate, and to order limits for a decided to remonstrate, and to order limits for a decided to remonstrate, and to order limits for a decided to remonstrate limit work was done. "She continued in this way for six years." said Mrs. Schieber 'Remonstrance was of no avail, and noticing that she was breaking down I begged her to drive away her mel would be violent. I feared bodily harm and sent her to the hosnital only word I heard her utter in twenty years. Sometimes she would laugh a a joke, but not if she knew she was observed."

The Three-Volumed Novel.

Some time ago the burning question among publishers in London was as to the three-volume novel: Should it continue to exist, or should it be extin ADER: relating to the civil service and the Sheard, H. Knausenberger, John Ken-guished to make room for the condebate thereon should go over until nedy, James Mitchell and F. Beck volume book at a quarter of the condebate.

whose direction the fight on the civil tion of the industry and urged the or- or uncut pages for books. The people ganization of sheepmen in order that who write against the uncut form are the opinion that the bill should not they might secure their rights. It was usually busy newspaper men, whe be passed to a final vote until after decided to reorganize the association have no time to wield the paper knife One of these says: "From the standpoint of political economy the present old-fashioned system is utterly wrong and particularly so in novels, wnich are meant to be read by busy people and not treasured by bibliomaniacs. A few weeks ago Mr. Heinemann published a novel, of which over 100,-000 copies are now in circulation. The

ing."

A Rainfall of Seeds. Some days ago the province of Macerata, in Italy, was the scene of an extraordinary phenomenon. Half an hour before sunset an immense number of small blood-colored clouds covered El Paso, Tex., Dec. 16.-Alpine has the sky. About an hour later a cyjust had the sensation of a life-time in clone storm burst, and immediately the the shooting of a pure white buck, in air became filled with myriads of small whose stomach was found a large mad- seeds. The seeds fell over town and stone. The skin is being stuffed for country, covering the ground to depth of about half an inch. The next day the whole of the scientists of Macerata were abroad in order to find

some explanation. Prot. Cardinali, a celebrated Train central Africa or the Antilles. It was number of the seeds were actually in

A lady much interested in works was bewailing the loss of somewhat ill-bred but extre wealthy neighbor, who had b

seaven."-Pearson's Weekly ton.)

Roller skates were in acc as for be



BY LOUEY JACKSON. A pause in the dance-what is it the May. With a careless laugh as they glid

away. Without a regret or a passing sigh? "Good-by, Old Year-good-by, good-

But mine eyes are wet with a trandrop bright The music grows faint-1 am tired to

night. And sad is my heart as I softly cry. "Alas! Old Year, good-by good-by!

You have brought me smiles, you have brought me tears. And a burden of joyous hopes and

fears: So sweet you have been and so swiftto die-

Happy Old Year, good-by -good-by!

"Though merry and bilthe may the New Year be It ne'er can bring back, save in mem-

The love that you gave ore your death drew nigh. Happy Old Year, good-by-good-by"

NEW YEARS EVE LOVE CHARM.

Love charms are among the most interesting and ancient New Years eve His brilliant reign is ended, customs. Two beans are "named" for his golden days are past. a couple who are supposed to be court. He shakes the wreath that, withered. ing and laid side by side on a flat place | Lies cold upon his brow; in the hot ashes. As the beans swell. His breath is quick and labored, with the heat they roll and bound in | His eyes are closing now. the ashes, and if one springs from the other it argurs ill for the couple. If by chance they are consumed while lying side by side the speedy marriage of the couple is foretold. In cities where fireplaces and ashes are not at A sigh of despest feeling. hand apple seeds are used in this For section of carest pleasure charm and they are fald side by side on the lid of a stove.

The girls use apple seeds for another Behold, the New Year cometh! charm, to discover which of two young. His face is young and fair; courtiers should be thosen. An apple The merry bells are ringing, seed named for each is placed on the | There's music everywhere, eyelids and the girl closes her eyes Oh lappy happy greeting! with a snap. If one seed remains that On, happy, happy day young man is the favorite. Tradition That lights our path before us supplies no remedy when both fall. And laughs our cares away,

Another charm, which is religiously MR. BENJAMIN DOTTEN followed by many young people, is worked with three glases. One is filled with pure water, another with clouded water, and the third is left empty. The youth who wants to know a une has in store is blindfold-into the room, where the class. He the clear water is touched, his bride will be a maiden; if the clouded water, a widow, and if he is lucky enough to touch the empty glass he will escape without marriage.

carse, the time when the charms and you." the cellar stairs backward, mother, a vighted candle in one hand Barkest corner she looks in bly pleagainst wor. . her future husband rer- you eat another one. Give them to with "Mr. Benjamin Dotten" upon it, it is at midnight she slowly me! The pippins crust ten at midnight she slowly with water a carefully peels an apple so that



has finished, and then she tosses the I'm going to regulate the closet so we peeling over her left shoulder. If the shall know where everything is." fates are kind it will fall on the floor in the shape of the initials of the name | said the old lady. of her lover.

THE VESTAL AT THE GATE.

When today with vestal grace She stood before your dwelling place. Did you take her by the hand, Raid her welcome to the land, With the cardial love and greeting That we owe a friend at meeting?

Fair and sweet to look upon Was this lily maid at dawn. With her dark locks flowing down. And her saffron hood and gown Set about with starry border, Symbol of her priestly order.

"nd we owe to her, I hold. "hether she be kind or gold Thether she being rue or myrrh When we lift our gates to her. Well and duly to receive her,

What she brings us, heaven sent, Take your gift and be content, Though it be not what you sought And your prayers some set at neight He knows best, who ruled the giving. What we need for hely living

Do not yex her with dismay At the pangs of yesterday, Nor disturb her heart in value With the hint of coming paint For a fell, impending serrow May be God's bear gift tomorrow. -Gla Moore.

the of the dapanese Government. presenting medals to the soldiers who was disappointing, for he wan of ten in excess of the usual number of nu- white lace falls. The decolletage is erated—they are never used by people yesterday and heard him tell his clerk presenting means to the sound who damped from his depart in the war aparas China, is cents to buy a half. Soll that did not shorten minutes' sign giving them excellent Swiss watches, ment day it was skate- ment beaco the single streets with coral slik, and the same material allowable, but cream never. In fact, on the top shelf in the back room





BY FANNY CROSBY, The grand Old Year is dying, His hour has come at last;

The grand old year is dying, He bids the world good night; A starry veil is lifted That parts him from our sight.

Our lonely hearts beguite,



grandma, "and it's for. cold there. Stay Midnight of New Years eve is, of down, riere are some peppermints for hest,

particularly efficacious, and Grandma handed Polly a little paper the prettiest card, with "Mr. Benjathat the girls get a tip on bag of poppermints. They were good min Dotten" and a pair of doves upon are to marry. Just at and strong. Polly liked them. e girl who wants to know. Ten minutes later in came. Polly's. Then Ben went forth from neighbor

or in the other. In the then she smelt peppermint, "Polly, where, and in some places he met with Polly!" she said, "come right here, apples and New Year's cakes. Everyg and sees the face beside Was that bag full? You'll be sick if body seemed glad to receive a card

"Put them here," said grandma. When it came to the last he heat-

how she trusted the caddy more than last card had roses upon it. her mother's pocket. Then her moth- "I'll call on grandma," he said, and er carried her off to find Aunt Viny, conning home he made his best how to and after that they went home.

The endity was a good place for no- card. Now Polly's peppermints went in, and leaddy. MARY L. B. BRANCH. presently granding, who had been buying nutmers, put them all into the eaddy because Viny was talking, and It confused her.

"Now, mother," said Viny, "I've ome home this winter to help you. "I know where everything is now."

But Viny was already clearing the shelves and putting on fresh papers.

Then she set things back methodical-"This old caddy of numegs," she

said, "I'll put in the other closet where the eggs are." "It's handy for notions," said grand-

"Oh, well, this cracked sugar howl will answer for notions. I'll set It



HE MADE HIS BEST NOW TO THE titled to wear them, and the French DEAR GET LADY.

lump of alun in it." So the sugar how took the place of its of fareign orders and decorations, elaborate dinner gown has a skirt of pensive. The tea the Japanese use in the casely, and when I'm looked for The chancellor of the Legion of Honor pale gray brocade, with bodice of plain offering entertainment to their best his porketbook it was not there, so he recently discovered that the number gray silk. Over the hodice is bloused friends costs from \$5 to \$10 a pound. Tapenese government instead of shought he did not sensember right. It of persons exhibiting such instanta was gray chiffon, and above that dainty Sugar and cream are merely not tol-

straps he wanted, and the next he had a chance to buy another boy's knife. But he couldn't find the pocketbook. Perhaps Polly took cold the day she went where Aunt Viny was unpacking. She had a sore throat, and were flan-

net around her neck for two weeks. The next time she went to her grandplother's it was Christmas. There was rossi goose for dinner and all kinds of pie. Ben was there. He had never found his ten cents. If he had, he would perhaps have bought a sugar

While the folks sat around the fire talking, Polly, perched in a tall chair with nothing to do, had a sudden mem-

She got down, ran to the kitchen closet, and saw the sugar bowl. It had puttons and alum and a broken spoot in it, but Polly was not to be imposed

"Caddy! caddy! caddy!" she cried, running up and down. "It's the old ten-caddy that she wants," said grandma.

"That's in the other closet, We keep nutmegs in it," said Aunt Viny, "Pep'mints! mine pep'mints!" clamared Polly.

The caddy was brought, and sure enough when she thrust her little hand under the nutniegs she found her peppermints and pulled out the recipe for There, Mrs. Gray wanted that!" ex-

launed grandma.

And now Hen was putting his own = hand in. Yes, there it was! his pocketbook and his ten cents! "Well, I declare!" said Aunt Viny. Hen sat down to consider. It was now too late for Christmas, but he

might do something for New Year's. He had heard Aunt Viny talk about calls and cards. ITTLE POLLY Only the day before a boy who had a went over to her printing press had offered to print grandmother's to cards, twenty-five for ten cents, and see Aunt Viny, who every card was to have a picture of a

Visconsin. "Til buy cards;" thought Ben, and he had just come from flower or a bird upon it. ny's up-stairs un- On New Year's Day Ben, clean and packing," said shitting, called Polly into the par-

"I'm making calls," he said, "This here till she comes is your call. Choose the card you like

> Polly was delighted. She picked out it.

to neighbor impartially. He was very "Where's Viny?" she asked, and successful. He met with smiles everytogether with a picture.

pointing to an old china tea-caddy on tated. He was tired and wanted to go the closet shelf. "That's where I drop home, it seemed to him he would rather see his good kind grandmamma Polly did as grandma said, for some- than anybody else in the world. The

the dear old lady, and handed her his

ions. It already held some shoe but. You never saw any one so pleased, ons, a had quarter and a roupe for For more than a week she showed the mangues; also a little pockethook cons card of "Mr. Benjamin Dotten" to sining ten cents. That was dien's, He | every neighbor that came in, and when of It there when he was going chest- the excitement was entirely over, she nuiting, because the clasp was broken. put it away for safe-keeping in the tea-

> A New Year Sony, THEN the year is new, my dear, When the year is new, Let us make a yellow silk, covered with white chif- boleros of lace, are quite popular for promise here. Little I and you with a lattice work of fine black lace is made of satin ribbon and lace, band-Not to fall a-quar insertion. The sleeves have the same | ed together.-The Latest, reling Over every tiny thing. But sing and smile, make the gown of silk muslin over a with the skirt are found to be so useu le and sing, All the glad year through.

As the year goes by, my dear, As the year goes by, Let us keep our sky swept clear, Little you and I, Swapp up every cloudy scowl, Every little thunder growl, And live and laugh, Laugh and live.

Neath a cloudless sky.

When the year is old, my dear, When the year is old, Let us never doubt or fear Though the days grow cold, Loving thoughts are always warm; Merry hearts know ne'er a storm; Come ice and snow, so love's dear glow Turn all our gray to gold! -- Laura E. Richards.

Too Many People Wearing Decorations.

There has been a growing complaint in Parts that foreign decorations are worn by many persons who are not enminister of justice has taken steps to where the caddy was, and drop this wtop the practice. He has issued a arring edler against the illiest wear-

FOR WOMEN AND HOME

ITEMS OF INTEREST FOR MAIDS The Latest. AND MATRONS.

Some Notes of Fashion - Umpire House Gowns Payored by the Girl of Pretty Neck - Many Colorings and Shades for Evening Gowns Making Good Tea.

Not All the Gold 'n Klondske. THIN my little cot-

Are peace and warmth and light And loving welcome waiting When I come home at night. The polished kettle's steaming. The snowy cloth is spread-And close against my shoulder There leans a smooth brown head!

smooth brown head!

Her eyes are lit with laughter
(They light the world for mo)—
"For how much would you sell me?
Now tell me, sir!" cries she, 'Tis then I answer, somehow, Between a smile and tear: 'Not for all the gold in Klondike! The gold in Klondike, dear! When the cozy tea is over.

With many a frolic fond, sit and read my paper. And from the room beyond hear the clink of china. The tread of nimble feet. And broken bits of singing That somehow ripple sweet, hear a rush and rustle Behind my easy chair: Short, chubby arms enclasp me And choke me unaware!

Into my arms is tumbled A crinkled golden head, A ball of fluffy whiteness That ought to be in bed. "
She asks her mother's question-I kiss the answer clear-Not for all the gold in Klone The gold in Klondike, dear!"

In dim and dusty office I dig my bits of gold; suffer not with hunger Nor perish with the cold. My nuggets need be tiny of dig them with a pen). But the Yukon's golden gravel I leave for other men. My treasure lies exhaustless.

My claim is staked with care: What is all the gold in Klondike Since I'm love's millionaire?

pink in chiffon. Way underneath the it two gowns instead of one, skirt is deep coral growing lighter and over shade, always using diaphanous sertion.

AN EVENING GOWN.

materials. Such a gown is of pale Simulated bolero fronts, or genuine

fon. The chiffon, in turn, is covered the house gown. A very dainty model

color. The silk muslin should be white ful that they are enjoying great popu-

an inch. Some of the prettiest gowns the black brocaded velvet patterns,

have only the blouses covered in this thrown on checks and shaded rainbow

way and have around the bottom of effects, the velvet being mostly black,

the skirt a few rows to match. An applied also to brilliant tartan and

till worn.

Bodices and Skirts.

larity still. The particular fashion of

chameleon grounds. The bayadere of-

fects-viz., with horizontal instead of

perpendicular stripes-are the newest

introduction, but it remains to be

proved whether they will be generally

adopted, for, however much we may

disguise the fact, it is certain that they

shorten the figure. Flannel blouses

have assumed a new form; they are

checked in dark colors and have super-

seded the Paisley patterns. They are

extra thick and warm and are slightly

more expensive than the striped flan-

nels, which are not quite so new, but

To Make Good Tea.

Tea should never be brewed in

copper kettle-that positively must go,

and an earthenware pot is an absolute

necessity. Earthenware which is not

glazed on the inside is the best. The

kind of tea used is a matter of individ-

ual choice, but really good teas are ex-

Bodices in contrast or in harmony

lattice work, with short flounces falling

is comparatively inexpensive is to

and be covered with narrow horizontal

over them. A novel idea and one that

a exed to finish the walst Long if tex is y sleeves cover the arms and finish in want to spoil its delicious bouquet. buiging volumes of lace at the wrist,- best way to make toa, although it

Empire House Gowns.

-one for the girl with the pretty neck and the other for the girl who finds a high collar more sultable to her style of beauty. On other gowns may garding neck fixings, but where is the them. girl of pretty neck who would cover it with her house gown?

For the pretty neck Greek and empire gowns are modish. A girl bachelor of New York who is under the necessity of making few gowns answer the purpose of many has hit upon a brilliant idea. She has an empire in brilliant red-a color most becoming



to her. The gown is made with short, puff sieeves and a low, rounding decol- in the same way. letage. Sometimes she wears it in this way, but at other times she adds One of the prettiest dancers on the a sleeved guimpe, with high Medici vaudeville stage in New York has a collar of white silk. In either way is skirt or rather a series of skirts shad- the effect charming, and unobservent the overlapping fullness may make the ing from deep coral to the faintest man is readily deceived into thinking

An equally attractive house gown is lighter as the layers near the surface. of pale blue cashmere, with long jacket skirt, and for stout figures it would be The gown is typical of the evening fronts of cashmere and insertion. The difficult to find anything more inclegown of the season, which puts shade sleeves are tight and have caps of in- gant. The close fitting ruffled sleeve-

troublesome, is to pour beiling water into the teapot on the tea and lat it stand a few minutes, and after the re-In describing the house gown it quired strength has been acquir.4. may easily be divided into two classes | pour the tea through a strainer int another earthenware pot over a spirit lamp which will keep the tea hot. This? does away with all fear of tannin, which is derived from the tea leaves Dame Fashion lay down rigid rules re- steeping in the water if it is left on

Servants' Recommendations. Young Housekeeper is troubled about

the best course to pursue when servants leave her. They ask her for refthe kindness of her heart has given several that are by no means just to house gown of a soft woolen material the new employer. She would like some advice as to how far she can conscientiously go. Answer: It is no more to one's credit to deceive about one thing than another. A woman who will give a good character to a dishonest servant is guilty of a very serious breach of good faith. Housekeepers must take maids on trust, and they should be very strict in investigating And the coursing blood a crimson Paints the glowing, tingling cheek; are so much at the mercy of their help Oh, the thrill of exultation, that something should be done for their protection. Tell the exact truth; it is always safest.

Opera Capes. Many short opera capes are being There's a chaste intextention made in white satin and feather boas And a sense of pristine vigor carried round high collars have long In the sky so blue and clear; ends, which fall in the front. An in- And the rime-touched fields and woodland expensive make of moire in all colors. Like the ponds are freed from poison with the same purpose. the capes being very full, with a large, round hood at the back, edged with tipped marabout. Cerlse poplin, lined with quilted white satin and edged Oh, 'tis then the earth's an Aiden,with Thibet fur, is a beautiful opera cloak, while some in corded size, with With her larder richly laden small crescents brocaded, have a 'V :- With the apples in the cellar teau plait down the center of the back | And the corn all in the hin, Full mink capes, bordered with a frill And the rabbits growing fatter of the same fur, serve for evening and 157 in the morning, and for those who can afford it there is nothing to equal sable made

A Morning Dress.

The cut of morning dresses is monotonous and unbecoming, for though figure appear slim, it is also apt to givan untidy bunchy appearance as though the wearer were slipping out of he make the arms appear unduly long, especially when the cuffs fall over the hand. Such gowns nearly all display pretty embroidery applied to the fron of the bodices; even the thicker materials allow the rage for tucking to be enjoyed to its fullest extent, while in thin fabrics these same tucks are generally drawn close together.

Indian Pudding.

One quart sweet milk, one scant cup Tommy?" orn meal, two tablespoonfuls sugar; two eggs, beaten separately. Heat the milk to a boll; stir the meal into it.

Teacher—Vib. 20 von call to 1.

Tommy—Vecause distance to 1. When cold, add beaten yolks and sug- ways have the last word ar, then a little salt, the beaten whites and one-half teaspoonful ginger. Bake one hour. Serve with hard sauce, or From the San Francisco Past heated maple sirup and butter.

Wattles.

One quart of sweet milk, three tea- man, received a letter the other day, spoonfuls of baking powder mixed in address I in a round business haad. flour enough to make stiff batter; one and bearing the Oakland postmint ale cup of melted butter, six eggs, whites glancel at it, rubbed his foreless reand yolks beaten separately, and flectively for a moment, and then with whites added last. Salt. Bake at once, our opening the envelope, tore p

Orange short Cake. Make a light biscuit dough and bake partner. "That might have conin a ple dish. Take out and split as something of importance." soon as cool. Cover the layers with

sliced oranges, sprinkled with sugar. and serve with cream. Fricassee of Trip .

boil and dish.

An Experience in the Slums. From the London Weekly Telegraph;

An artist who is well known in a Northern city used occasionally to put the figures which the lad drew werd one. grotesque, the artist was struck with their originality, and began to take an vasser. interest in their development.

'That's right, my boy, make your lines clear, and never mind the details, Champion! What, you don't know how to sketch that old man's head? Then give me the chalk. I'll show you." The next moment the enthusiastic

artist was on his knees, and with the piece of stone had quickly drawn a clever picture. Before he could combands of ribbon, set on at intervals of the moment, however, for blouses are mence another sketch, however, he felt a stunning blow on the head, and a shrill female voice cried: "Take yer bloomin' hook, ye great, good-for-nought hulk! What d'ye mean by messin' up t' flags 'at I've just

washed? 'Tain't no wonder 'at t'kids do it when a senseless old idiot like you sets 'em t'example. Be off, or I'll scour t'pavement wi' your ugly carcase!" The artist hurriedly dodged another boot, sprang to his feet, and without

waiting to argue the matter, sneaked ignominiously off. He vows that he will mind his own business when next he goes slumming.

Trouble for Both. From Judge: He-"Oh, of course,

dear, it is all right for you to eat onions if you like them, and I'm not the one to stop you; but, I declare, it's hard work to stand it." She-"Well, I don't blame you, Harry, for after I eat them I can hardly stay where I am myself."

The Season Ended. From Judge: "How did you know that the baseball season was over? You never attended the games,"

"I was in Lawyer Johnson's office

OUR BUDGET OF A

SOME GOOD JOKES, ORIGINAL AND SELECTED.

Fredding Memory - A Method by Which We Sometimes Forget to Prod -The Irishman's Last Break - When the

Cold Sets In-When the Cold Sets In. OU may sing the charms of sum-100 mer. Sing the Joys of jocund June. You may rhyme the sprightly spring-When the orchard But I hail the his

season,

And its pleasures

fain would pen.

When the air is full of ozone And the cold

sets When the willow sheds its verdure

When the winter days begin, When the sun recedes to southward And the

cold

Seem to free us from our sin

When the cold

Who could justly ask for more From the summer's lavish store,

Strictly Feminine

Teacher-"here's your dictionary,

Tommy-'left her home,"

Prodding Memory

new system of monumentary, like affice other systems, falls of absolute perfection. John Beckwith, the warehouse bits.

"Why did you do that?" asked

"No. it didn't. I wrote it myself." "Are you in the habit of writing letters to yourself?"

"Yes, I have to. Now, if I hadn't written that yesterday and mailed it. Cut fresh honeycombed tripe about I should have forgotten that bunch of two inches square. Cover with water braid, two dozen pearl buttons and five in frying pan. When heated add but- yards of haircloth that I've got to go ter, a dash of pepper, and thickening; up town and buy right now. Onco, though, I wrote a letter to myself about something I wanted to remember, and forgot to mail it for two weeks."

Useful Blanks.

From the Rambler: If a scholar has on his shabblest clothes and penetrate little money for books he should exto the slums in search of inspiration pend it mostly on works of reference, for his brush. On one of these excur- and so get a daily return for his outsions he stopped to watch the efforts put. So seems to have thought a of a ragged urchin who was disfiguring young man of whom we recently heard, the pavement of a squalid street with who, when asked by a canvasser to a piece of soft, blue stone, and although purchase an encyclopedia, said he had

"Which one is it?" inquired the can-

The young man could not remember. Neither could be tell who published it; but it was a fine work, in many large volumes.

"Do you ever use them?" asked the agent. "Certainly; almost every day." "In what line?" "Oh, I press my trousers with them.

His Last Break

They are splendid for that."



McNulty-"Jerry!" Hooliban-"Phwat?" McNulty-"Of'll bet yez th' dthrinks Oi hov the bist wake."

Life's a short summer, man a Rower, the Johnson

11 Free Press. ********* OLE, The bells, the own on application How merrily they As if they felt the joy they tell nvariably cash in To every living thing. Their silvery tones o'er vale and hill Haskell, Texas, Are swelling soft and clear, As wave on wave, the tide of sound 25, 1897. Fills the bright atmosphere.

A. Jones arrived Thurs-Xmas with the home

DOTS.

LOW prices.

S. L. ROBERTSON.

Messrs J. A cphens and W. Chase, leading Juyers of Benjain, were doing a tittle courting in city this week.

To you want a Mittchell wagon who will sell it to you at Abi-

> ave cards out for a masarty next Tuesday night at ot Mr. J. S. Rike.

B. Martin, sheriff of , is in the city this week. Suspect that he is trying to capture number have died. -not a criminal, but one of the Haskell angels.

Ladies come and see our millinepartment, its the only Firsthere; its private and nice. YI. G. CARNEY & Co.

e says cattle are in good rendered with great pathos and effect. that way and there is plenty of grass to put them through.

groceries-Staples and substantials, Just such as are specially adapted to Holiday trade. S. L. ROBERTSON. -Mr. S. R. McCrary, who has re-

cently settled in Haskell, had his name enrolled among the list of Free Press readers this week, also subscribed for the paper to be sent to his son at Fran Texas.

- Say boys that little pia, made men hats last week don't go. We There were several others of nearly can knock that play to pieces. Come and see us. T. G. CARNEY & Co.

-Dr. Lindsey reports three acto our population; a son at of Mr. W. M. Ward, one Reeves.

> Whitecastle, La. She quite popular in our mong the young people greatly missed by them. owe me please remember ust the time of year that

litor of mine wants his respectfully ask that you r you, if you owe even a Respectfully,

S. L. ROBERTSON.

and after looking d a little became so well pleaswith our country and people that y have decided to locate in Hascounty. From what we have eard of them they seem to be good

people and we are glad to have them with us. -Figure with us if you want low Subscribed and sworn to before me this sund favor to construct the sund supering the sund supering the sund supering the sund supering the supering supering the supering supe and tongue to going our way. T. G. CARNEY & CO ATTEST:

-Mr. J. A. King and family are Hollis Fields came in yes. of a year in the I. T. They have has been manifested since the Colom Waco to spend the holi- been back two or three weeks, but umbian show as that which now See me with your good citizen and we are glad to see thus states the situation: There is a

jefferson, after an Jout two years in Bosity, like most others who harvests, has given it up as a mistake and, with his family returned to Haskell to stay. We are glad to welcome them back again.

-Inquiries among stock men indicates that there has been less loss among stock from the late bad ed eastern cattle are considerably drawn, but good weather and grass nung ladies of the Triple will bring them out safely. Sheep are in fine condition and no losses probable. Range horses have fared worse from the fact that they have many of them have been allowed to get in poor condition from lack of water or any attention and quite a

> and the fact that the earth was shrouded in snow, there was a full Mrs. McCollum's class.

The programme was opened with M. Ward got in a few a solo by Mrs. H. E. Jones, "Untler rom his ranch in Swisher the Shadow of the Pines," which was

suffice it to say that all the recitaed the effect of intelligent training, the government 85 while some of them were so excellent as to exhibit natural talent supplemented by training.

Among the best efforts according Minnie Fowler, Ophelia James and Nellie Moody. They exhibited an apparent unconciousness of the presence of spectators which added greatly to the effect of their recitation. equal merit. The rendition of "Jack Frost" by little Levi and Elsie Mc-Collum was extra good for such small children.

'm Clark's and a daughter Fannie Hudson was splendid.

Mrs. McCollum gave a rendition of "The End of the Honeymoon" in ttie Armstrong left which she exhibited a high order of od some time with talent, not only as an elocutionist the fortifications and battle-ships valuable acquisition to its educational and social circles.

The entertainment closed with an Henry Alexander and Jerold Hills.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION

don't think that this is Of the Haskell National Bank at Haskell, in State of Texas, at the close of Business Dec. 15, 1897.

RESOURCES. Marchbanks is now Overdrafts, secured and unsecured. 1,420-05 U. S. Bonds to secure circulation... 12,500.00 Other real estate and mortgages owned 5,151.10 Due from National Banks (not re-

ractional paper currency, nickles and cents Lawful Money Reserve in Bank, viz: Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer, 5 per cent of circulation

LIABILITIES. Undivided profits, less expenses and

Due to other National Banks Due to state Banks and Bankers Individual Deposits subject to check, 31,338.9 State of Texas, County of Haskell, sa:

I, J. L. Jones, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above stateices. We don't mind loosing a few ment is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

J. L. Jones Control of the best of my knowledge and belief.

Director

Secretary S. D. Thompson of the more wanderers from our county who American Percheron Horse Breeders have returned to it after an absence association says that no such activity we missed the item. Mr. King is a characterizes the horse trade, and he demand now for good horses, and a -Miss Dollie Massie, who has consequent increase in the prices. HOBERTSON. —Miss Dollie Massie, who has become quite a favorite as a teacher Good coach and carriage horses as est or a in the Haskell public school during well as big draft horses are becoming ided. the present term, left Thursday to very scarce, and breeders who have spend the Holidays at her home in hung on through the hard times are Palo Pinto and, rumor has it that now about to reap their reward. It her title may be changed before her is a fact that good sound draft horses which a year ago could be bought at from \$150 to \$200 a pair are now offerings at any price, and the owner Haskell county in search of of a good, large, stylish coach team eener pastures and more bountiful can name his own price and get it. The outlook for horse breeders is very bright, and I fully expect to see as high, if not higher, prices paid for good breeding stallions the next five years as were ever paid during the boom times in horse breeding from 1880 to 1893. The great difficulty weather than we had supposed there is that there will not be sufficient made; if so see W. W. Fields & is reported in native cattle. Import- doubtedly large importations of would be. No loss or probable loss numbers in this country, and un-French, English and Scotch breeding stallions will be made next sea-

AFTER all the republican bluster been considered of small value and about what the Dingley tariff bill would do in wiping out the deficiency in our revenues and restoring our is quite embarrassing to them to find Regardless of the polar atmosphere the deficit increased from \$18,000,000 to nearly \$50,000,000. The pesky house out Tuesday night at the thing has worked backwards. As elocutionary entertainment given by political doctors they prescribed a dose of heavy taxation to cure the the disease, but instead of disappeartheir leading papers and politicians Now Come, Friends and Customers To attempt a criticism in detail are advocating a heavier dose of the would trench too heavily upon our same medicine to cure the disease space this week, and, perhaps, would that it has aggravated. For instance, —I am still in the grocery business be invidious, were we capable of givwith a choice selection of first-class ing the subject proper treatment. saying that congress should add \$1

son.-Tex. Stock and Farm Journal.

a pound on tea, which on the more than 113,000,000 pounds annually imported would yield \$9,000,000, to our judgment, were those of Misses and on the 777,000,000 pounds of coffee 4 cents a pound, which would yield \$31,000,000. A total of \$73,000, 000 to the government from these three items of consumption by the masses. The Tribune says "there would be no 'kick' on the part of the tax-payers-the taxes would be so light the consumer would hardly no-The duet "The Lillie and the tice them"! And it proceeds to say Rose" by Mrs. H. R. Jones and Miss that this would wipe out the deficit, no more bonds would have to be issued, the old soldiers' pensions would not have to be cut down, the work on but a comedian who might win fame could go on, etc. etc. Republican on the stage. In her Haskell has a like, never a word about economy, cutting down high salaries, lopping off extra clerical force, scaling down amusing farce by Messrs Lee Kirby, extravagant appropriations for questionable improvements, etc. They might find this a surer remedy than taxation for reducing the deficit. They seem incapable of learning that as high taxation increases the prices of goods it decreases the use or consumption of them and acts as a pro hibition to importation, hence reduces the amount of revenue derived by the government from that source, while it at the same time it adds the amount of the tax to the price of the goods and makes them come just so much dearer to the consumer. For instance, if we pay 121/2 cts a pound for coffee and 4cts tax is charged on every pound brought into the country the importer will add the 4cts to the price and we will have to pay 161/2

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finances to a proper equilibrium, it 'Now Don't Say, Alex., carry me another

year, for we bore a heavy load under your failures last year and took all the risk for this year, and there may be another year like last year and then will be time to sing the old song and have it heard.

and lets settle up and make a new start. Don't force se to call or you in person, for be sure we will see you after the given date if you don't see us before.

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Haskell, Tex. Dec. 7.