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tlers left Thursday morning for the bleak desolate lay of prairie dogs coyotes, and rattlesnakes, in other vords, they have gone to Haskell county. We spent two years of our life in that out the way region and know whereof we speak. Why anyone should want to leave the fertile lands of Robertson, which are in high state of cultivation, thickly settled with refined civilized people, where the fields are white as snow with the fleecy staple, where the barns are unable to hold the immense corn crop," where the hogs are fat and the cattle and horses look sleek, to go out in mesquite bushes in county where you burn up in the summer and freeze in the winter is beyond our feeble comprehension. We are informed on good authority that when the good Lord firished creating Texas, the devit ambly sent in a petition asking . at a small portion be placed at his disposal in order that he might a place where he could go occasionally to cool of and a few minutes respite from the sulphurous smoke that was ruining his eyesight. The Lord called a council of angels and after a week spent in discussing the petition it decided to grant the request if he would agree to behave himself and not prolong his stay over ten minutes. His Satanic majesty eagerly promised to do this and followed the angelic messenger sent to guide him hither, wagging his tail like a dog follows his master when he holds a buttered the guide showed him Haskell county he tucked his tail between his

ness in their new home. if not "just tell 'em that you saw me." -Bremond Star.

lished, the FREE PRESS would have orings of the Star. been saved the trouble of defending Haskell county against the brayings the Bremond Star, yclept W. H. professed to be preparing himself for taking the average, they were in at 15cts each or two for a quarter. to create a place for his especial en- discuss now.

said to flee from holy water.

lies hunting a soft map. They are too lazy to work for a living and the inspiration strikes them to go west Iron Bitters. Backache vanishes, headache and take up a homestead or a school land claim and sell it out for a big bonus. Sometimes they build a little shanty but more often burrow out a little shan ateed to give perfect satisfac- and take up a homestead or a school

"dug-out" and live in it like a nest climate that does that sort of thing. | jected solely to range conditions, have

human nature to try to shift blame week." country. As a matter of fact, though, gages and every fellow seems, the fault has been their own in nine be running on an independent scale. cases out of ten. They have thought thing—as far instance, to get rich off mouths of liars. of one big crop of wheat-without

sturdy men acting upon their own sending it. judgment have found permanent lodgment in Haskell county and by industry and an intelligent adoption of methods of cultivation and by experiments and the exercise of good judgment in planting crops best suited to the country they have met with success and are to-day as well fixed and prosperous as a similar class of farmers in any part of Texas. And we are now constantly gaining more such men, men like Mr. McCrary who the Star classes as "one of our oldest and most substantial settlers" and who, with his family "are among our best citizens." We are informed biscuit in his hand. When however that there are many more such men McLemore. even in Robertson, the Star's county, who are putting their affairs in shape legs, like a yellow hound caught to come to Haskell at no distant day sucking hen eggs, and fled with a and, in this we find the Star's motive howl of dismay. Mr. McCrary and It don't like to lose such citizens and his excellent are among out it essays to give them a scare.

izens and have numerous he !el Dogs the Star know that an exwho join the STAR in regreting their hibit from the fields, gardens and departure and wishing them happi- orchards of Hi kell county was shown at the last state fair at Dallas Oh! by the way, how is our old on which the blue ribbon bearing the friend the Free Press? Will you X legend "First Premium, Texas State with us or not? If so come ahead, Fair and Dallas Exposition 1897" was placed by the fair officials? If If the old dispensation under who saw the exhibit there do know it reliable. No other country is better "For years we have used Chamberwhich Ananias met with a summary and it stands with them as much adapted to the industry and nowhere lain's Cough Remedy, and always and just fate had not passed away better evidence of what Haskell can they be raised more cheaply. keep it in the house. It is regarded

The writer was at Dallas during all that fair and talked with hun- as we understand from our reading, McLemore. of such jackasses as the new editor of dreds of farmers from all parts of the are driving horses of good weight and state, and from the best information action and good, heavy general pur-Taylor, aforetime known and seen at he could gather, in connection with pose and draft horses. The indicaintervals in this section as a tramp his intimate knowledge of the con- tions are that the horse raisers who the ministry-the service of the easier circumstances and more inmeek and lowly Jesus, who, of all dependent here than in most other

renter and who, with his family, oc- but on coming here she soon left off Journal. cupies no better position than a her medicine and is now able to do Mexican peon from coming here and her own house work, which she had

prairie dogs, stretch a wire or two He don't think he has gotten cle - shown the value of the investment, a around a patch of ground and scratch away from civilization either. He over it a little with an old plow and much pleased with the educational , 'e, by early maturity, increased a rickety harrow and, it is easy to im- advantages, the culture and refine- weight and better beef form .- Jourmagine the size of their crops. If ment he finds here and says he has nal. these fellows fail to sell out the farm noticed with surprise that nobody

they have so highly developed for a locks barn, smokehouse or residence good bonus they go back east curs- doors here and that stores are left at ing the worthless, starvation country, night with only frail glass windows to breeding for beef purposes. The trying to shift the blame of their own protect their contents; why, says he, worthlessness. On the other hand a "down in that country if things were few good men of fair means have left that way everybody would be ing 1045 pounds, at \$5.40 per huncome west and failed, and, as it is stolen out of house and home in a

from onesself, they have generally | Again he observes "I don't find charged their misfortunes to the the people here tied up with mort

Yet this is a freezing, schorching themselves smarter than the old set- starved country, the veritable wild tlers and have gone in to do the big and wooly west,-yea verily, in the

It any reader of this article-the looking about and trying to adapt Star will do the fair thing of course themselves to the peculiarities of the and publish our defense-wants full climate, soil, etc., and consulting as information and description of Hasto methods of cultivation, etc., with kell county and will make the request those who have made a success here. on a postal card addressed to the Notwithstanding all this, many Free Press we will take pleasure in

> THE progressive ladies of West field, Ind., issued a "Woman's Edi tion" of the Westfield News, bearing date of April 3, 1896. The paper is filled with matter of interest to women, and we notice the following from a correspondent, which the editors printed, realizing that it ti ats upon a matter of vital importance to their sex: "The best remedy for croup. colds and bronchitis that I have been able to find is Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. For family use it has no

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things, despises a liar. We must sections of the state. And there are cattlemen in Texas and the west for twelve sheets of paper, 13x20 inches conclude that he was the devil who good reasons for this conclusion the purpose of restocking the ranges in size, all fastened together with a had the gall to petition the Almighty which, however, we have not space to is a sufficient answer to those who gilt tin strip and a brass loop hanger. ovment, but who, when he came in We had a little talk with Mr. Mc- Nebraska stockmen have gone as far one month is true figures that can sight of it and saw that it was fair Crary after reading the Star's item east as New York and have reached be reand good, fled from it as the devi is and we can assure it that he does far into Canada for stock cattle, figu not appreciate or endorse its fling while Texas buyers have scoured dicr As the dispensation under which at Haskell. He says, for instance, Louisiana, Arkansas, Mississippi, For Ananias met his fate is no more, we in regard to the freezing and burning Alabama, and have even gone into appe are glad to inform the Star that the climate the Star credits this country Georgia and North Carolina for legal ...days are also shown. The Free Press is still on guard detending with, that our constant breeze in stock animals, bringing them to their calendar is valy 'e in any home. the fair fame of Haskell county summer makes the weather more ranges in little bunches from I over We understand pies of it can against such traducers. As the Free pleasant and refreshing here in sum- the south, while Mexico, in spite of be secured by and ag 10 one-cent scheme to get its articles on the will be sent on receipt of 50 cents. The magni-Press has before had occasion to say, mer than it is there and that the the Dingley tariff, has been called postage stamps to the Chattanooga it is such misrepresentation as this cold is hardly as disagreeable here as upon for many times the number she Medicine Co. attanooga, Tenn. of the Star that has retarded the set- there and further, that for years past furnished under the much smaller tlement and development of Western his wite has been in bad health and duties of the Wilson law. It is evi-Texas and prevented many a man that he had spent hundreds of dol- dent that the men who have the who is wearing his life away as a lars for doctors' bills and medicines, ranges, consider them depleted .-

It used to be a frequent assertion acquiring a home and settling his not been able to do for twelve years in Texas that pure bred beef cattle sons and daughters around him in previously in Robertson county. Also would not thrive upon the range, adependence as they reach mature that he brought with him two or and that if good blood was introduc-Bie grandchildren who were so ed at all better range and market There is a class of people that all poisoned and bloated with malaria results would of half-breeds new countries suffer from. They are that they resembled bull frogs-now than of cattle more bighly graded. men who never succeed in any coun- they are as hearty and healthy as Even yet there are some of our peotry, but rove around with their fami- pigs. He has fallen in love with the ple holding to that opinion. Yet during recent months the sales rebut even thee that have been sub- A. P. McLemore's Drug Store.

'alue increased in proportion to

ket strikingly shows the value of good sale was of 22 head of Angus yearlings, 17 heifers and 5 steers, averagdred, or \$56.43 per head. They were calved between the last of

A recent sale in the Chago mar

. Dec. 15. During the weeks before weaning they were fed some oats. Then the oats were continued, with clover hay, until March, when they were put on grass, corn being supplied to them with self-feeders. During very rough weather they had a shed, but no other shelter. The owner had intended to hold them for breeders, as all were pure bred and eligible to registry, but found more profit in selling them as beef. Besides showing the value of good blood, this sale shows the higher position the heifer is taking in Shortest Route! the market. In England, the beef of the heifer is valued higher than that of the steer, but in this country there has long been a prejudice against the former class, and it has been many years since heifers have brought such a price. During recent seasons the difference in value between the two

preference may be given to spsyed heifers of good flesh and quality .-Good blood and feed and attention will pay as well or better in 'was than in the more rigorous

classes has been steadily narrowing,

and perhaps here, as in England, a

climate, but many of our stock are a long time in finding it out, or, in acting upon the fact if they know

Every stockman should write for Bullitin No. 79 of the Kansas experiment station, showing the value of Long before the maturity of the Kaffir corn meal as compared to comfoals of 1898 the four-year-olds that mon corn. The showing is very meet the demands of business and favorable to the Kaffir meal and

Mothers whose children are Texas cannot too soon engage in troubled with bad colds, croup or horse raising, provided she engages whooping-cough will do well to read in raising good horses, horses for what Dr. R. E. Robey, of Olney, the Star don't, many of its readers which the demand will be large and Mo., says on this subject. He writes: and a new order of things been estab- county is than the smart alecky vap- But it will not pay to raise scrubs. - in our family as a specific for all kinds of colds and coughs. The 25 The horses that will be in demand, and 50 cent bottles for sale by A. P.

A Weather Calendar.

The Free Press has received the printer. Really, however, we expect- ditions prevailing among the farmers go to work on these lines will find Cardui Weather Chart and Calendar ed better things of a fellow who car- of this section, he came to the delib- ready sales at good prices. The for 1898 from the Chattanooga Medried a testament in his pocket and erate conclusion that as a class, or, scrubs and 1: .t weights will remain icine Co., manufacturers of McElree's Wine of Cardui and Thedford's Black on a scale almost unheard of. The Draught. This is one of the best The extent of purchases made by calendars published. It consists of deny the existance of a shortage. In Each sheet contains the colendar for ny room. Under the eather signals indi-. DeVoe's Weather very day in the year

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THOUSANDS of newspapers have been fooled into advocating the roundbale system, thinking they were for the farmer, but it turns out to be a trick of one of the biggest corporations ever organized, and a monopoly corporation proposes to ruin every ginner in the south, and to put the He sells the book to almost every man be meet tarmers at the mercy of a monopoly in prices of ginning. One publication has been working at this scheme and caused the newspapers to lend themselves to it. Theft is a mild name to apply to the action of that

to work the Free Press on. The publication referred to by the Re- ling it. porter we presume is the Manufacturers' Record, Baltimore, Md. Its pages, and all material necessary to work with round bale copied by the Free Press facent gallery of portraits, alone, in the presgot into our waste backet instead of it at far less than actual cost of manufactu into our columns—as quite a number and we would advice you to order quickly, and of other schemes have done. A good | ress, many country papers are too easily caught with chaff.

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They are talking now of making Low governor. Why not make him king of England?

ne southern states, and by the last week of November quarantine restrictions were removed. The whole numalence of the epidemic was 4,289, of which 446 proved fatal. This is an unusually low rate of mortality.

A man just convicted of murder in the first degree was asked the usual questions by the court official. To one inquiry he replied: "I have no religion." Subsequently he said. "Not believing in anything, I never thought much of killing, so long as I did't get raught." The relation of belief o conduct, in this condemaed man's opinion, is not a theological allon, but a practical truth.

In the United States court at Pawnee the other day four Pawnee chiefs were granted divorces from their wives on the ground of gross neglect. Pipe Chief testified that his wife wanted to spend all his money on fine dresses and that she sought to ignore all of the Indian customs. The final straw was laid when she refused to attend wouldn't associate with squaws who were dirty.

purpose of rejoicing over Mrs. Langtry's financial success. She does not love Mrs. Langtry and abhors her alleged relations with the prince of Wales and some other men; but she is glad to see one case wherein the woman is not stamped in the mud, even if the man is coddled and for-There is something in that, and Thomas Hardy and Hall Caine ought to be obliged to think of it.

The brother of the khedive of Egypt who gives up his chance for a cheap large praise. As the khedive he would wond recognition. have very limited authority under the

days, at a cost of two hundred and eighty-two dollars for the ticket, or five hundred dollars for all expenses! This is what is promised when the Siberian railway shall be completed, as it is likely to be before the century closes. Yes, and there will be people say that they have done it in so short. a time. Half the time will be spent in nocturnal whirlings through space; which they pass. Round the world, indeed! But how much will they know about it?

A Boston man advertises that he will "paint and interpret family coats of We take it as one of many signs that pride of descent, or a mild form of ancestor-worship, is growing in America. This sentiment is honoraable and useful, when it helps to preserve worthy memories and to nurture fine family traditions: it becomes a silly affectation when it merely ministers to the vanity which shines by light reflected from former times. Did not John the Baptist hit hard when he said, "Think not to say, We have Abraham to our father; for God is able of these stones to raise up children unto Abraham?" The truest descendants of dead heroes and patriots are living heroes and patriots,

Houghton of New York abounded in examples of the truest sort of Christian love and charity. He was known the world over as the rector of "The Little Church Around the Corner," get his becoming so known was merely the result of one incident of his kindly ministration to all who came to him A good story is told as characteristic of the man. One of the foremost men in his church was arrested for forgery. Dr. Houghton hastened to his side and received a confession of guilt. He advised him to plead guilty, and within three days the man was in Sing Sing prison. During these days the rector was with him almost constantly. When the man was released Dr. Houghton was the first to show his belief in the genuineness of his repentance, and through the good rector's steadfast friendship the former convict was enabled to rehabilitate himself with his church and in the esteem and conficommunity.

The great land, France European powers, Engcut the con inent of Africa up into Germany and Italy, have pieces and lach taken a share. Nothso little ne as ever accomplished with ise in the history of the China is now the victim they king toward with covetous scramble is just beginning aks today as though before soes by every great European power will demand a slice off from the celestial empire. Unless the thieves fall out there is no power that can save the dismemberment of China

When a Manchester (England) timber merchant was sawing a sycamore into lengths he came across a dark knot in the wood an inch and a half in dlameter. When this was cut through it displayed the clearly marked outline of a bird, which the merchant deemed ourious enough to have photographed and sent to the Strand Magazine.

parrying the pall at the tell of the

SIX PERSONS CREMATED.

dersey City.

one family were killed by flames and an evening paper, and shouted smoke in a fire that occurred early yes- throughout London by the newsboys, mittee, furnishes the following stateterday morning in Jersey City.

the advent of cooler weather put an mother; Tillie Reich, 22 years old; Ida gram company. ed to the yellow fever epidemic in Reich, 16 years old; Albert Reich, 14 Most of the Londoners, however, coeds the expenditures for December years old; Gustav Reich, 8 years old, went to bed in the belief that Prince nearly \$1,750,000. The official figures may be that another member of the ill- the Reuter company from Hamburg 204 received during the month on acber of cases reported during the prev- fated family will die. He is the 19- was not published until the following count of the Pacific railroad sales, and year-old-son, and his body is covered morning. Inquiries made in London with burns. John Chanty, chief of the bear out the denial. Baron d'Eckadt-Jersey City fire department, was very stein, attache of the German embassy,

agent, and well to do.

it is believed that the fire broke out from a heater in the basement and worked its way up to the third floor, family were located.

Henry Reich said it was late when discredited there. the family retired, the evening having been spent in entertaining New Year's callers. Early in the morning he was profound reticence. The actual source awakened by shouts. Running into the hall, he saw smoke and flames in the lower hall. His father was there, fact that the ex-chancellor has for the and they managed to get out of the house in their night clothes. Young Reich ran down the street and gave the sun dances on the ground that she the alarm. When he returned his father was nowhere to be seen, but one of his brothers, Sigmund, was there, badly burned. He was taken to a Olive Logan returns to life for the neighboring house, where he said some one had awakened him, and that he had jumped through the blinding smoke and flames down the staircase rumor of Prince Bismarck's death origand out into the open air.

Several engine companies responded promptly to the alarm, and ten minutes later the fire was out. Then began the search. The rays from the fireman's lanterns disclosed three charred bodies against the wall at the foot of the stairs. They were Adolph Reich, his daughter Tillie and little Gustave. The father had fallen upon little throne in order to marry an the daughter and his son was in his American woman is not entitled to arms. They were burned almost be-

In the basement of the house the slightly burned. Her face showed no burg. Round the world in thirty-three look of pain. She undoubtedly died from suffocation.

The Gerona Ahandoned.

Halifax, N. S., Jan. 3.—The steamer Geronna, from Portland, Me., bound to and twenty-three of the crew during the other half they may catch reached Forbes Points, Woods harbor glimpses of the lands and waters over at noon. The remainder of those on board, including Capt. Baxter and

since Friday.

New York, Jan. 3.—The New York and \$15,070,73 was found on him. ships fully meet the government reand second and some 100 to 150 steer- the trains, as he was well known. age passengers can be carried. Next to the St. Louis and St. Paul these for some time, and that, knowing he will be the largest merchant steamers was about to be discovered, this large built in the United States.

Farms to be Recialmed.

New York, Jan. 3.—New England's be taken to Brunswick. ings in the states of Massachusetts, Connecticut, Vermont and New Hampshire and to resell both on such terms as to attract purchasers in large cities

Forestmed Is Not Forewarned. Gaylie-"I told Mrs. Gingerly she talked too much. Baylie-"What did she do?"

Gaylie-"I don't know. I just came back from the hospital."

New Haven, Conn., Jan. 3.-John P. Schofield of Boston, who is in the city, pronounces as untrue the statement interested in following up clews of the uported appearance of the woman, any knowledge of her whereabouts.

tions of Labor Commissioner E. union will meet to behnif the anexation of the hour labor, law, superling the auti-im- atives' vote not to strike was received migration bill and striving to have a prominent spinners said this would clause inserted by the specifications make no difference to New Hedford has no equal as a political leader. That for the new past be in this city ra- operatives, who feel the same as they quiring th

Bi-mark Not Dead.

London, Jan. 3 .- The usual quiet of They Lose Their Lives in a Fire at New Year's day was disturbed by a report that Prince Bismarck was dead. New York, Jan. 3. Six members of This rumor, so emphatically stated by created a deep sensation in the minds ment of the revenue outlook: of the general public and great excite-Adolph Reich, 42 years of age, the ment in the newspaper circles until a an increase of more than \$2,500,000

Several others were injured, and it Bismarck was dead, as the dispatch to badly burned. He fell through a burn- said no news had been received at the ing floor and was rescued with diffi- legation, and the official was convinced that the rumor was untrue because. Adolph Reich's home was at 317 Ger- apart from the absence of official news, mania avenue. He was a real estate a personal friend of d'Eckadistein was staying at the home of Prince Bismarck, and would certainly have telegraphed had the rumor been true.

At the British foreign office it was where the sleeping apartments of the also said no news of Bismarck's death

A denial has also been received here from Berlin. The feeling is one of past fortnight been in bad health, and worse than before, though it was not thought his life was in positive danger. Inquiries made by both telegraph and telephone have elicited the reassuring his condition is any worse than it has been of late.

A dispatch from Hamburg says the days, owing to his insomnia, which is riod, notwithstanding January, and equalize themselves." due to want of open aid exercise, and possibly April-the two months for Mr. Robert Knight said: the agony which he suffers from the payment of quarterly interest -will mental exertion.

Hamburg, Jan. 3,-The report that between the office and the lady there mains of Ida and Albert, two blackenbetween the office and the lady there mains of Ida and Albert, two blackencould be only one sensible choice. Who ed corpses, with arms entwined. Porwhole situation, and where to-day the wouldn't give up the toil and trial of tions of the limb had been entirely cards. Freiderichstuhe, where the from customs), to \$24,000,000 in Octo-scuthern mills are sold up, and can go The man is mighty lucky to have the ribly distorted. The mother was found the former chancellor is living, is situin the dining-room. She was but ated eighteen miles by rail from Ham-

ARRESTED FOR DEFAULTING.

ment of \$15,000.

London, with 400 horses and a general agent of the Southern Express comcargo struck on Seal island yesterday pany at Brunswick, who embezzled will not be materially felt for several there last Wednesday and escaped, was internal revenue taxes are due to the chase given by the Southern express creasing the tax on cigarettes, and to officials. It was by accident that they the bottling law passed by the last learned that a suspicious character had | congress in connection with the impassed Ways station, and the descrip- provement in business. yesterday that Makry was coming shore before this time, it is feared they in on the Ogcechee road, and asked expenditures \$202,000,000), yet it will will never do so, as a heavy gale has that men be sent out to arrest him. been blowing almost continuously Mr. Myers returned to the city yesterday, and the detectives he arrived there. Mabry was searched, Of and Cuba Mail Steamship company has this amount \$1000 was in his hip pock-Cramp company of Philadelphia for to his skin. The money was taken in five new 500-ton, 16-knot twin-screw charge by the company. Mabry said through the woods from Brunswick to cruisers. One hundred and fifty first 100 miles, being afraid to take any of

Mabry said his office had been short amount of money was too great a temptation for him, so he just took the chances, took it and skipped. He will

Savannah, Ga., Jan. 3 -- P. H. Mabry, the embezzling agent of the Southern Express company at Brunswick, who was captured near here Saturday, attempted suicide in his coil in the police station during the night. tary of New York wool exchange at its morning he was found lying in a pool of blood on the floor, his clothing soaked and his hands and face red with He was unconscious, and was at first thought to be dead. He penknife. He was taken to the city ever in a day or two.

Before he became too weak to move. Mabry smeared his open hand with blood and stamped the impression of the hand on the wall of his cell. Unfinger: "Southern Express sompany, December 29, 1897.

Besten, Mass., Jan. 3.-A storm of considerable energy swept over New urday morning, causing heavy north-Lustgort, the Chicago sausage-maker, east to southeast gules and was acwould diveige the hiding place of his eight inches of snow further north. missing wife. Mr Schoffeld has been The storm at noon was far to the no believes she is alive, but disclaims New Hampshire the snew drifted bad-

o dressed in did when the notices of reduction were take posted; that they will strike anyway. | trods

REVENUE OUTLOOK.

Statement of Chairman Dingley of th Ways and Means Committee.

Washington, Jan. 1.-Chairman Dingley of the ways and means com-

father; Emma Reich, 42 years old, the Genial was received by the Reuter Tel- over that of November, and \$5,750,900 over that of September, and even exfor December, excluding the \$31,715,the \$900,000 paid out to qualify the government's representative to bid in case of the sale of the Kansas and I'a-931,494; expenditures \$26,195,000 and surplus \$1,736,494. The receipts in Dein December, 1895, they were \$26,000,-

however, arises from the fact that payments for the month, which makes be due, which will swell the expendipossibly more.

penditures for the present fiscal year | Col. R. H. . Goddard, in discussing will be \$373,000,000-a little over \$200,- the cut-down, said:

Bismarck estate is situated, and where ber (\$9,750,000 from customs), to \$25,- on making and selling at a profit, we P. H. Mabry Charged With the Embezzle- the present consumption of imported change will have to be made in the to have occurred near the joint track Savannah, Ga., Jan. 3.-P. H. Mabry, entitles the treasury, has only begun made, in the south to regulate the souri, Kansas and Texas railways, bemore than \$15,000 from the agency months. The increased receipts from captured yesterday four miles out of provisions of the new tariff abolishing Savannah. This is the result of the the discount on beer stamps and in-

"While the apparent deficiency for L. Myers, who was aiding in the the first half of the present fiscal year der of the crew, who steered for Seal search, wired to Savannah from Ways has been about \$44,000,000 (the revenue island, have succeeded in reaching this morning that Mabry was coming having been nearly \$158,000,000 and the be observed that this would almost brought of revenue received from March 1 to Mabry into the barracks about the time | July 1 from importations in excess of the same period of the previous year. made in anticipation of the new tariff and intended for consumption the completed a contract with the Wm. et, and the balance under his shirt next present fiscal year, which revenue was last fiscal year. And this does not ensteamers. The plans of the proposed he had spent only \$1.25. He had come ter into account the absolute loss of revenue arising from anticipatory imquirements for second-class auxiliary Savannah, walking all the way, about portations, which the treasury has already experienced and will continue for several months to experience in a

Armor Plate.

Washington, Jan. 1.-It is asserted at the navy department that the decision of the patent office, recently submitted in the matter of the patents for the Harveyized armor plate, may result in the withholding of the payment of further royalties on plate furnished by the large steel companies. The question submitted by Secretary Long to the patent office was whether the employment of a temperature above that of molten east-fron is an essential feature of the Harvey patents, and the exports reached the conclusion that such heat was an essential feature of the and so relieve the congested centers of hospital, where he is kept under close device. The navy department armor guard. The physicians say he will re- plate experts are of the opinion that the highest temperature is not essential to the obtaining of the most satisfactory face-hardened plates. The use of the temperature not quite so derneath he wrote in blood with his high as that used by the Harvey process is not regarded by them as an infringement of the Harvey patents.

Little Rock, Ark. Jan. 1-Oscar Sinow en trial for the murder of his companied by heavy rains in the of Rev. Boone, suffering from buffet wife, that if \$15,000 were given him he gouthern portion and from four to wounds and a had bruise on the back do and that action will be taken in a cight inches of snow further north. The storm at noon was far to the strument. Simonton that he was learned regarding the probable action the being rapidly followed with the usual call wave and high westerly gales. In a mob of white men, who trick to kill mills, but it is to be presumed that the friends.

New York, Jan. 1 .- A dispatch from n who has been in Japan; for some time is making an effort to man build a mill in that country for the manufacture of cotton. It is said a Fall River mill builder wittnation are for buildly mill with nne help will not i tive nelp. If the na kmen will be

Cotton Manufacturers.

Providence, R. I., Jan. 1 .- After delaying their decision to the last, in the hope that in the meantime conditions might change so as to render the step unnnecessary, the agents of the leading cotton manufacturing organizations in the state decided vesterday to reduce wages. The cut-down will average about 11 per cent. It will take effect Jan. 17, and notice to that effect will be posted Monday in the mills of B. B. & R. Knight, the Londale company, the Manville, Social and other companies controlled by the Lippits and the smaller concerns throughout the state.

Mr. J. P. Danielson of the Quinnebag company, Lockwood Manufacturing company and other corporations with mills in eastern Connecticut, said cific property, make the receipts \$27,- the reduction would take effect at his of the reduction had not yet been de- where he was found. comber, 1894, were nearly \$20,000,000; cided on. The other eastern Connecticut corporations will take similar 900, and in December, 1896, a little less. action, and mills operating about 2,- pounds, dark, slightly auburn hair, a "This surplus for December, 1897, 000,000 spindles in this state and Mas- medium mustache, lighter than hair, sachusetts, and the earnings of bethere have been almost no interest tween 30,000 and 35,000 operatives will age. be affected by this decision of the had been received, and the rumor was the expenditures below the average. Providence agents. - Many firms op- and brown color, mixed with blue and In January the quarterly interest will pose the reductions, and favor running | red threads; a laundered checked shorter hours, but they say they can- neglige shirt; link sleeve buttons; a tures considerably above the average not afford to keep up the cost of pro- newscarf, bought from Washer Bros., and leave a deficiency for the month, duction and then curtail the output | Fort Worth, and a pair of blue ducking of the report is not known, but the ru- notwithstanding the revenue will prob- when the other mills are turning out mor was readily credited in view of the ably rise to at least \$29,000,000, and the regular quantity at 10 per cent from contact with cotton seed meal. less cost. The exact amount of the His underclothing was a new brown "On the basis of the estimate of the reduction is not fixed yet, but will be secretary of the treasury, that the ex- on the same line as in other cities.

000,000 having already been expended-- "I should have preferred to keep the statement that the prince is alive, and the average monthly expenditures for wages what they are and run shorter that there is no reason to believe that the six months, beginning Jan. 1, half hours, say four months, but as the rest of the fiscal year, are considerably decided to run full time we shall be larger than those for the last half, on obliged to do the same. No doubt the account of the suspension of many first action, taken in Fall River, was inated in Berlin, and was received in the large July payments of liabilities. The low wages and standard of living, marks. Hamburg with skepticism, which in- of the present fiscal year. There is with the longer hours, there make it quiry at Frederichsruhe proved to be no doubt in treasury circles that the very hard for us to compete with them. justified. There is no doubt, however, revenue under the new tariff from I don't think that the cotton manuthat Prince Bismarck's health has Jan. 1 to Feb. 1 will exceed in the ag- factures will have to remove to the been rudely shaken in the last few gregate expenditures for the same per south, but all things will have to

"We have got to do it to put ourgout. Dr. Schwenniger has ordered show a balance on the wrong side. The selves on a level with other manufac-Prince Bismarck to abstain from all revenues were only \$19,000,000 in Au- turers. We are opposed to it, and gust 1\$7,000,000 for customs), in con- don't believe it is going to better consequence of the large importations be- ditions very much. It will only bring Prince Bismarck had died is unfound- tween March 1 and July 24, in antici- us 10 per cent nearer the southern the short month of November, and we can not get back a new dollar for now rises. This increase will go on an old one. The legislatures have as the goods imported in anticipation | done much harm in the north by interof the new tariff are consumed. In- fering, and they have attempted more of the new tariff are consumed. In-deed, the increase of revenue to which than they had any business to, and a of a fearful death, which is thought sugar and wool for classes i and 2 present laws, or laws will have to be of the Texes and Pacific and the Mis-

Americans Seize on Island and Raise American Plag.

Mexico City, Jan. 1 .- Official intelligence received from Mazatlan show that when the Mexican gunboat El Democrata arrived at Clipperton island, which is thirty miles west of Acapulco, it was found that a party of Americans had raised the American flag and had coolly appropriated all the guano beds, which they were operating. They had built houses and permanently established themselves.

El Democrata had a very stormy passage, and found the island of very killing. difficult access, and a boatload of Mexican marines was upset going through the surf, the men losing their rifles and swords. They saved themselves by swimming, and a Mexican flag was carried ashore by Julian Santos, the stoker of the gunboat, who ran the risk of being devoured by sharks that abound in these waters.

Capt. Genesta ordered the American flag hauled down and the Mexican flag ends the sharp fight made by the ownwas raised, there being little protest on the part of the Americans representing the guano exploring company. This formality having been accomplished, the gunboat returned to Ma-There are about 20,000 tons of guano on the island, valued at \$320,-000 gold. Representations showing the action of the guano company to be one of mere usurpation will be made. Clipperton island is undoubtedly

Mexican territory, although not settled by Mexicans. There has been no excitement over the matter.

Monetary Commission.

New York, Jan. 1 .- A complimentary dinner was given Thursday night by the Metropolitan club by J. Foster Peabody of this city to the members of the Indiana monetary commission. This commission was appointed by the convention of business men at Indianapolis to investigate the financial system of the country and to prepare a scheme of reform to be submitted to congress.

Providence, R. I., Jan. 1.-That the Rhode Island cotton mills will cotton manufacturer says that there is nothing left for the manufacturers to by the Connecticut mills.

ling trades council have indersed scutive committee of the Spianers' Fall River says: J. Tanyer Lincoln, a Albion arrived Yesterday from a proceeding at Clipperton Island on the part of the Mexican gunboat Denioat the opportu- creta, being no less than the hauling down of the stars and stripes by an armed force landed for that purpose, and in spite of the protests of the men there employed and the raising of the Mexican flag.

A FEARFUL MURDER,

The Supposed Body of Will Haley Found

Near Tioga. Tioga, Tex., Jan. 3.-An unknown man was found Saturday night about 1 o'clock, half way between Aubrey and Pilot Point, by the engineer and fireman of freight train No. 606, and brought to this place, and left in the depot waiting-room. He was still alive, though unconscious, but died in convulsions and groaning terribly in about thirty minutes later.

His head was gashed and bruised in a horrible manner from some hard or sharp instrument in several places, the skull being chipped off, though not cracked. His hat, coat, shoes and socks were stripped from his body, and he was then left for dead on the railmills on Jan. 17, although the amount road right of way, near the track,

He was a man about five feet ten inches in height, weight about 175 and looked to be about thirty years of

His clothing was new, of a neat cut apron overalls, the whole dusted over knit goods.

A card with the words, "May I C U home to-night, my dear?" "Robert L. Morrison," printed thereon, and the name Miss Lizzie Weideman in pencil marks at the top on one side, was found in his vest pocket. On the other side of the card was the following name and address: H. Milner, 531
Elm street, Dallas, Texas. Also the name Francis Barnett, both in pencil

AN OPEN LETTER
We are asserting in the conference of the word "PITCHER'S CASTORIA" Elm street, Dallas, Texas. Also the public works in the winter season and largely due to southern competition. name Francis Barnett, both in pencil

One faded and torn whisky tag, "Old One faded and torn whisky tag, "Old Port Haley, hand-made sour mash whisky, from J. F. Martino, 199 Coch-FLETCHER on every constant of the control of the co ran street, Dallas, Tex., and a portion of two cigarette books were also found on him. No further clew to his identity was found, and H. Milner was immediately 'phoned, but has not been CHAS. H. FLETCHER on heard from. The opinion is general one has authority from m that the unfortunate man was foully dealt with.

Later-H. Milner, the party whose address was written on the card found in the dead man's pocket, has been heard from, and he informed Deputy Steele that the man's name was probably Haley, a conductor out of Fort Worth, taking a lay-off, but a conductor who stopped off here, who knows with nice men, and that he Haley and who examined the dead only by fools. man, says it is not Haley.

tween Pilot Point, in Denton county, *ad Tioga, in Grayson county, was sumption ! The name of brought here last night. the party who lost his life is Will Haley, who had been for some time brakeman on the west end of the Texas and Pacific, who has a stepfather here,

and who was reared in Fort Worth. Tioga, Tex., Jan. 3 .- A pair of congress shoes, somewhat worn and covered with cotton seed meal and blood, have been found about two miles south of here, plainly indicating that the murder was committed in a box car and the shoes thrown out afterward. They are too large for the murdered man, but are supposed to have been changed by the parties who did the

Postoffice Controversy.

Cleburne, Tex., Jan. 3.-Postmaster R. A. Poole Saturday morning received a letter from Perry H. Hood, first assistant postmaster general, requesting him to close a contract with Mrs. Laura Caine, on Henderson street, for the location of the postoffice. This is the present location of the office, and ers of property on Chambers and Henderson streets. It only remains for the final determination as to who shall succeed Mr. Poole to end the postoffice fights which have been on here for several months.

Oil Tank Cars.

Corsicana, Tex., Jan. 3.-Yesterday the Houston and Texas Central brought in three new oil tank cars built expresly for the Corsicana crude oil trade by the company and placed them on the spare track of the Corsicana Petroleum company. The cars have each a capacity of 6525 gallons, or 1551/2 barels. This makes seven cars furnished by the Central for this trade. which with the two cars furnished by the Cotton Belt make nine available cars, but these are by no means sufficient as oil shipments are gradually

A locomotive exploded at Stillwell, I T., recently, killing one man and fatally injuring another.

New Year's Entertainment.

Austin, Tex., Jan. 3.-While there were no general New Year observances wages is now assured. A prominent in this city, Gov. and Mrs. Culberson with characteristic hospitality, threw open to callers from 6 to 10, and during that time the drawing-rooms were him. His story is correlevated by his policy of Rhode Island will be adopted brilliant in the history of the city's round of society life.

"Dear me!" exclaimed Maud, who had been reading a fashion paper. "Last year's engagement ring has gone wholly out of style." 'What has taken its place?" inquir-

ed Mamie. "I don't know. But I do hope

bleye'e."-Washington Star.

The Extent of Mis Gratifieds.

Gavin—"Rogers must have been very grateful because you were kind to loan him that ten dollars." Bailey-"Oh, yes, indeed; he could never repai me."

Scrofula and

All other blo Diseases are And Perma By Hoods If you suffer from

Any form of

Disorder,

Take He has served his ity for more than the

he has caught, more than 1,00,00 hands, The offici his assistants search in the famous Park frequently sells his creatures together and ability to fight.

Tremendous Exodus Despite the warnings been on the spot, and pred Klodike region, thousast Americans are wending ward. All of them should that medicinal safeguard ach Bitters, which warms system, and prevents me kidney trouble, besides to blant, deverges, and con-

When in doubt, say No woman hater

To Cure Constipa Take Cascarets Candy Ca If C. C. C. fall to cure, drug It it easier to get

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I, Dr. Samuel Pitcher, of F original "PITCHE been used in the America for over thirty at the wrapper and see t have always bought," at

except The Centaur Compa H. Fletcher is President March 8, 1897. SAMUEL PIT

The value of Christ seems to be in making the Men or women, \$10.00 dally.

R. C. Dozier Co., Paxton Block Every one thinks he can

TO CURE A COLD Take Laxative Bromo Some n

money mat

I shell

The younger a girl is, the ! gets along with her mother.

Smoke Sledge Cigarettes, 20 for It is the real genuine thing to the holidays as "Christma

Don't Tobacco Spit and Smoke Your Life To quit tobacco easily and forever, netic, full of life, nerve and vigor, take Bac, the wonder-worker, that makes w strong. All druggists, 50c or \$1. Cure teed. Booklet and sample free. Sterling Remedy Co., Chicago or Ne

The gossip mak men give trons should ne called "Chalk"

That's what Miss Fannie McI ald, of Louisville, Ky., wil One of many thousand unsell [TRADE MARK) testimonials, regarding the eff cacy of "5 DROPS.

Hotel Broadway, Louisville, Ky. Oct. SWANSON RHEUMATIC CURE SWANSON RHEUMATIC CURP Dearborn St. Chicago, III.; DEAR St a long stience I write you to know ho-owe my life to you, or at least believ I was given up by two doctors (great to die, but after taking two bottles of y-icine I was able to get about. I am induce everybody that SUFFERS FROM RHEUMATIS

to try your "5 DROPS," and I know of so have tried it, and pronounced it the is Yours truly, FARNY McDonatt A DEAD SHOT FOR RHEUMATIS

A DEAD SHOT FOR RHEUMATE
Horsehead, Ark., Nov. 13. 1
SWANSON RHEUMATIC CURE CO.
Dearborn St., Chicago, Ill.: Thank the L.
am on foot once more. The "5 DitO'S" km
the Rheumatism in the head and put me of crutches, so I kept taking it, and now I
thrown away my crutches, and walk about
a man. May God bless the man that goty
"5 DROPS," It is a dead shot for Rheum
and Gravel. Three different doctors gas
medicine and treated my case. Besides I
bought and used every remedy I ever he
that was recommended for Rheut
all did me no good. One doze of
was worth it all. It stopped the pain,
now able to go about. I have not the ti
day to fully state my case, but will gladly
you a complete statement at some future

"5 DROPS" taken but

SWANSON RHEUMATIC CU 167-169 Dearborn St., CHICAGO.

ST FOR MAIDS TRONS.

Latest Pashions for me Gown for the per-About Renovat-

> a Daughter. ivy-mantled cottage smiled Deep-wooded near a streamlet's side, here dwelt the vil-In all her maiden

Proud sultors paid their court and duty To this remantic Yet pone of all the r's daughter.

bloom and pride.

ess'd hill and plain, of her retreat, her train, at her feet. er arts so wary, suld not lure the fairy pastor's daughter. wy spring

father's guest: and every string in her breast. which cannot falter. he heart he brought e pastor's daughter.

the worldly gay. gentle primrose-way d, devoted heart: er find the treasure, jet and azure in wells of water. or's daughter.

York had its really f the winter, and it wildering mass of new es. Their most strikthe fullness, for they dth than ever. Even was the way in which as acquired. A long, or cloth was used ny upon that were ces of fur, from vim. For evening bi poccasionally alteror mousseline de soie, fe owner of an out-ofin admirable way of



ise of it. Yet not all fur full and long. Some are more than collarettes at the

wraps have high, rolling collars, and with the hands. If necessary a section the prettiest have linings of contrasts and suda is used and the garment TALMAGE'S SERMON. show you that even exqui the prettiest have linings of contrast- ond suds is used and the garment ing fur. Stoles will also be much then rinsed in clean hot water and worn. They are shaped like capes in ever, the garment is to be dyed, which the back, and have long, straight ends is done to clothes still wet, and then down the front. These ends are well rinsed again after it is dry. In either lined, and give a degree of warmth case, when nearly dry, it is rolled that would not seem possible. They have a very delightful air, too, and look well with the present style of dress.-The Latest.

What One Hostess Worr. They are getting up all sorts of but she stops just before the steam gowns for pansy luncheons, which are | ceases to rise as the steam brings the quite the most up-to-date things in nap up with it. Any spot which besociety. At a pansy luncheon you trim the table with pansies and em- again with a damp cloth laid on it. broider the napery in the same flower, after which nothing remains but that the hostess shall dress herself in pansy colors. At the most recent affair of this kind the hostess were a blue cashmere skirt trimmed with a deep flounce of ecru lace. The girdle was of yellow satin, and at the front a bunch of yellow satin loops imitated



yellow pansies. The revers were ciyellow and cream striped ribbon and he waist and sleeves and blouse trimmed with ecru lace. The necessary touch of pansy black was introduced in the ribbon at the belt and the ruching at the throat, both of which had strips of black ribbon, baby width, introduced. Bunches of paper passies served for favors.

"Renovating." Long before the careful and thrifty housewife feels that she can afford to discard certain garments, she becomes conscious that they must be renovated or other garments will have to be bought to replace them. True economy spares no pains to preserve or extend the creditable appearance and lifetime of any garment. Many times before a garment is much worn it presents a shiny or soiled appearance, and a little care which should be considered neither burdensome nor

vexatious, will make it like new. the "art" tousekeeper, who excels or renovating, says that her method is so simple any one may copy it—the secret of success being on-ly plenty of clean hot soft water and good soap. If the garment to be cleaned is much worn, she dyes it we'er it is cleaned.

For each garment there is a fresh suds made, as a garment washed previously might have left lint or soil in the water.

Any old garment, a coat or vest or trousers to be cleaned, is first well d extend over the shoulders brushed and dusted and then soused n to a point in front at the up and down and around vigorously he greater number of these in the hot suds and any spots rubbed

SCRIPTURE OF THE DEEP-GOD AMONG THE CORALS.

tightly for the dampness to distribute From the Text-"No Mention Shall Be Verse 18-Love of God for the Beau-



evenly, which requires an hour or

more. It is then carefully smoothed,

and an old cotton cloth spread over

it and all the wrinkles froned out. It

is not ironed perfectly dry, however,

comes too dry and shiny is ironed

All obstinate wrinkles are treated the

same way. This is the simple, scien-

tific process used by most renovators

in cleaning both cloth and silk gar-

ments, and any housewife may be

quite as successful by being equally

What Is Worn.

enormous col'ars, ruches or plisses are

Sworn, of lace, net or fur, and the

Some of the new buckles are mount-

amethysts. The season's belting is

careful.-Woman's Realm.

silky and teautiful.

to make them becoming.

part in the trimmings.

ribbon.

HY do you say that, inspired dramatist? When you tossed aside the used exquisite cameos, and the sapphire,

sky-blue, and topaz of rhombic prism, and the ruby of and Society Islands and the Marshall frozen blood, and here you say that and Gilbert groups. But more slowly the coral, which is a miracle of shape and wonderfully accumulative is Something quite new in the way of and a transport of color to those who ornamentation is an entire bodice, have studied it, is not worthy of men- get discouraged because the upbuildpouched and full, made of the breast tion in comparison with our holy refeathers of the Impeyan pheasant ligion. "No mention shall be made of rapidly. Why, you have all eternity coral." At Saint Johnsbury, Vt., in a to build in! The little annoyances of With all the outdoor garments, museum built by the chief citizen, as life are zoophyte builders, and there whether jackets, capes or blouses, I examined a specimen on the shelf, will be small layer on top of small layfirst realized what a holy of holles God can build and has built in the fossilized grief. Grace does not go up high, open collars like funnels, are temple of one piece of coral. I do filled in with soft ruches and quillings great scientist, while in Ceylon, was so ed in a new way, with plain gold wire, some Cingalese divers had brought up others in an antique silver, and are for his inspection that he himself either square or lozenge-shape, displunged into the sea, and went clear playing large bosses in emeralds or under the waves at the risk of his life, again, and again, and again, that he particularly pretty, the gold ribbon bemight know more of the coral, the ing interwoven with floral designs after the period of Louis XVI. White even be guessed by those who have and gold canvas ribbons are produced only seen it above water, and after to simulate embossed leather, and the the polyps, which are its sculptors, buckles for these are sold in sets for and architects, have died and the chief the back as well as the front. The glories of these submarine flowers rococo designs are beautiful, generally have expired. Job, in my text, did mounted in antique silver. Colored not mean to depreciate this divine pearls of all sorts now appear to be sculpture in the coral reefs along the cut in facets, and play an important sea coasts. No one can afford to depreclate these white palaces of the White spider net is much to the deep, built under God's direction. He fore, worked in silver, pearls and gold. never changes his plans for the build-A black net is a capital exemplification ing of the islands and shores; and of the most fashionable style of em- for uncounted thousands of years the broidery; from the foot rise large coral gardens, and the coral castles sprays of tulips and leaves, the flowers and the coral battlements go on and in bold relief produced by irridescent up. I charge you that you will please sequins piled one over the other. Five God and please yourself if you will yards is about the usual width for go into the minute examination of the evening skirts, and the body of these - corals-their foundations, their pinnahave been prepared with gray and cles, their aisles, their pillars, their horizontal rows of embroidery at in- curves, their cleavages, their reticulatervals, some of the fine lisse being tion, their grouping-families of worked thus with an embroidery of them, towns of them, cities of them, and continents of them. Indeed, you The notion of a cashmere blouse is cannot appreciate the meaning of my very pleasing in its novelty, but it text unless you know something of must needs be elaborated with silken the coral. Labyrinthian, stellar, colembroidery or pipings or hemstitch- umnar, floral, dented like shields from ings or lace medallions, so that all battle, spotted like lcopards, embroidsuggestion of economy is banished. ered like lace, hung like upholstery-For outdoor wear Paris modistes are twilight and auroras and sunbursts of sea and look more particularly than making half long jackets and hand- beauty! From deep crimson to milk-

opposite of the great infidel surgeon.

its wonders of architecture and adap-

tation, when the idea of God flashed

upon him so powerfully he cried out

to the students: "Gentlemen, there is

coral. I feel like crying out: "There is

Nothing so impresses me with the

fact that our God loves the beauti-

ful. The most beautiful coral of the

world never comes to human observa-

tion. Sunrises and sunsets he hangs

up for nations to look at; he may

green the grass, and round the dew

into pearl, and set on fire autumnal

foliage to please mortal sight, but

those thousands of miles of coral

achievement I think he has had built

for his own delight. In those galleries

he alone can walk. The music of those

wave, he only can hear. The snow

of that white and the bloom of that

crimson he alone can see. Having

man race, and lifted a glorious heaven

dens of the deep to please himself.

But here and there God allows speci-

mens of submarine glory to be brought

up and set before us for sublime con-

templation. While I speak, these great

nations of zoophytes, meandrinas and

madrepores, with tentacles for trowel,

are building just such coral as we find

looks at it, and flip 6s it aside with

a God, and I adore him."

also the new blouse in plush or velvet, this work of God through the ant- One of them wrote: much ornamented. The evening robes malcules eighty fathoms down, or are made trained, the front and sides amid the breakers, where the sea dashes the wildest, and beats the mightlest, and bellows the loudest. These sea creatures are ever busy.

Royal Mourning. All the English court and society Now they build islands in the center people who wished to obey the queen's of the Pacific ocean. Now they lift request went into temporary mourning barriers around the continent. Inupon the death of the duchess of dian ocean, Red sea, and coast of Zan-Teck. Court mourning of previous zibar have specimens of their infinidays differed from that of the pres- tesimal but sublime masonry. At the ent. The French queens, before the recession of the tides you may in reign of Charles VIII. wore white upon | some places see the top of their Althe death of the king, and were called pine elevations, while elsewhere nothreines blanches (white queens). In ing but the deep sea soundings from 1498 white mourning was done away the decks of the Challenger, the Porwith and black employed in its place. cupine and the Lightning of the Brit-Other historians affirm that in the six- ish expedition can announce them. The teenth century yellow was the color ancient Gauls employed the coral to for royal mourning at the court of adorn their helmets and the hilts of all the shrubs in the gardens of the France, and that it was on this ac- swords. In many lands it has been land have their correspondencies in count that Anne Boleyn and her la- used as amulets. The Algerian reefs this garden of the sea. Coralium! It dies adopted this color on the occa- in one year (1873) had at work amid is a synomym for beauty. And yet sion of the death of Katherine of Ar- the coral 311 vessels, with 3,150 sail- there is no beauty in the coral comragon. In a wardrobe account for half ors, yielding in profit \$565,000. But pared with our religion. It gives a year to Lady Day, 1694, there are the the secular and worldly value of the physiognomic beauty. It does not following entries for King William coral is nothing as compared with change the features; it does not give III's mourning: "A gray cost lined the moral and religious, as when, in features with which the person was with murrey and white flowered silk, my text, Job employs it in compari- not originally endowed, but it sets with gold loops, and four crape hat- son. I do not know how any one can bands; a sad-colored silk coat lined examine a coral the size of the thumbwith gold-striped lustering, with sil- nail without bethinking himself of God ver and silk buttons, and a purple and worshiping him, and feeling the crape hatband, and a purple coat."

Queen Anne, on the death of Prince lecturing to the medical students in George of Denmark, wore black and the dissecting room upon a human eye white, with a mixture of purple in which he held in his hand, showing some parts of her dress. This idea was taken from the mourning worn by Mary queen of Scots, for the earl of Darnley, which was exactly similar in every respect. On the day of her a God; but I hate him." Picking up a accession Queen Anne wore purple mourning for her predecessor. This was in order to mark a difference between the black she wore for her parent, and the court mourning she assumed for her brother-in-law. Thus it will be seen that other colors than black have, in former days, played a

prominent part in royal mourning. Black silk will, doubtless, hold its sway in mourning, for, in a peculiar way, it harmonizes with the saddened feelings of those who are left to mourn the loss of others who have been near and dear to them. At a keys, played on by the fingers of the reading room held in 1837, when Queen Victoria was then Princess Victoria, we read of the royal mourning which was then adopteed by the court. garnitured this world to please the hu-The Princess Augusta received the visitors owing to the indisposition of to please the angelic intelligences, I am glad that he has planted these garher majesty, and was attired in a black crape dress, with a deep goffered flounce, arranged over another flounce of silk, a manteau of black crape, and a headdress of black crape with lappets, plumes and black ornaments. The duchess of Kent was attired in a black crape firess over in our text. The diamond may be more rare, the crystal may be more sparkling, the chrysoprass may be more ablane, but the coral is the long, deep, everlasting blush of the ca. Yet Job, who understood all kinds of precious stones, declares that the beauty and black silk, a train of black silk trimmed with crape to correspond, and a head-dress consisting of feathers, black crape, lappets and jet orna-ments. The Princess Victoria's dress consisted of a crape dress over black silk, a train of black silk, with crape to correspond, and a headdress composed of feathers, black crape lappets and jet ornamenis.

After the Honeymoon. He-"You'll be accusing me next of leading a double life!" She—"You do lead a double life—
you're twice as mean a man as I thought you were when I married you."—Chicago Tribune.

Take my and shall be made of coral."

Take my and shall be made of coral." you."-Chicago Tribune.

show you that even exquisite corenot worthy of being compared with united with this continent on one side, the richer jewels of a Christian soul. and by another stone bridge Asia will The first thing that strikes me in looking at the coral is its long continued other side; and the tourist of the accumulation. It is not turned up like | world, without the turn of a steamer's Cotepaxi, but is an outbutting and an Made of Coral"-Job Chap. XXVIII, outbranching of ages. In Polynesia may go all around the world, there are reefs hundreds of feet deep and thus be fulfilled the prophesy, and one thousand miles long. Who built these reefs, these islands? The zoophytes, the corallines. They were not such workers who built the pyramids as were these masons, these creatures of the sea. What small creawanted to set forth tions amounting to what vast aggrethe superior value gation? Who can estimate the ages

of our religion, you between the time when the madrepores laid the foundations of the islands onyx, which is and the time when the madrepores for making put on the capstone of a completed work? It puzzles all the scientists to guess through how many years the corallines were building the Sandwich grace in the heart. You sometimes

ing by the soul does not go on more er, and fossilized grief on the top of forever! Out of the sea of earthly disquietude will gradually rise the reefs, scold the corallines because they canshould you scold yourself because you cannot complete a temple of holiness for the heart in this short lifetime? You tell me we do not amount to which you sang him to sleep last night much now, but try us after a thou- will go with him while he lives, a con-

grace in the soul than anything I can think of. "No mention shall be made nity. I sometimes get discouraged, as of coral." I suppose you do, at the vastness of Again, I take your hand, and we walk on through this garden of the we did at the beauty of the coral. The

us hear the angels chant for a mil-

lion centuries. Give us an eternity

with God, and then see if we do not

amount to something. More slowly

and marvelously accumulative is the

sand million ages of hallelujah. Let scious or unconscious restraint and in-

The fan coral sweeps through the clear deep sea,

And the yellow and scarlet tufts of the ocean

Are bent like corn on the uplan l

One specimen of coral is called the dendrophilia, because it is like a tree; another is called the astrara, because it is like a star; another is called the brain coral, because it is like the convolutions of the human brain; another is called the fan coral, because it is like the instrument with which you cool yourself on a hot day; another specimen is called the organ pipe cora!. because it resembles the king of musical instrument. All the flowers and behind the features of the homeliest person a heaven that shines clear through. So that often, on first acquaintance, you said of a man: "He is the homeliest person I ever saw." when, after you come to understand him and his nobility of soul shining through his countenance, you said: "He is the loveliest person I ever saw."

No one ever had a homely Christian mother. Whatever the world may have thought of her, there were two who thought well-your father, who had admired her for fifty years, and you, over whom she bent with so many tender ministrations. When you think of the angels of God, and your mother among them, she outshines them all. Oh, that our young people could understand that so much beautifles the human countenance as the religion of lesus Christ! It makes everything beautiful. Trouble beautiful. Sick-

ness beautiful. Disappointment beautiful. Everything beautiful. Near my early home there was a place called the "Two Bridges." These oridges leaped the two streams. Well, my friends, the religion of Jesus Christ is two bridges. It bridges all the past. It arches and overspans all the future. It makes the dying pillow the landing place of angels fresh from glory. It turns the sepulchre into a May-time orchard. It catches up the dying into full orchestra. Corallum! And yet that does not express the beauty: "No mention shall be made of coral."

I take your hand again, and walk a little further on in this garden of the sea, and I notice the durability of the work of the coral. Montgomery speaks of it. He says: "Frail were their forms, ephemeral their lives, their masonry imperishable." Rhizopods are insects so small that they are invisible, and yet they built the Appenines and they planted for their own monument the Cordilleras! It value of the coral are nothing com-pared with our holy religion, and he grain. Corals are changing the navipicks up this coralling formation and sation of the sea, saying to the commerce of the world, "Take this chanall the other beaut 'ul things he has nel;" "take this channel;" "avoid

and thus, thatdge, Europe shall be be united with this continent on the , or the spread of a ship's sail,

"There shall be no more sea." But the durability of the coral's work is not at all to be compared with the durability of our work for God. The coral is going to crumble in the fires of the last day, but our work for God will endure forever. No more discouraged man ever lived than Beethoven, the great musical composer. Unmercifully criticized by brother artists, and his music sometimes rejected. Deaf for twenty-five years, and forced, on his way to Vienna, to beg food and lodging at a plain house by the roadside. In the evening the family opened a musical instrument and played and sang with great enthusiasm; and one of the numbers they rendered was so emotional that tears ran down their cheeks while they sang and played. deaf to hear the singing, was curious to know what was the music that so overpowered them, and when they got through he reached up and took the not wonder that Ernst Heckel, the God, it goes up. Ten thousand million A-and he cried out, "I wrote that!" ages will not finish you. You will The household sat and stood abashed entranced with the specimens which never be finished. On forever! Up to find that their poor-looking guest was the great composer. But he never left that house alive. A fever seized the islands, the continents, the hem- him that night, and no relief could be ispheres of grandeur and glory. Men afforded, and in a few days he died. talk as though in this life we only had But just before expiring he took the time to build; but what we build in | hand of his nephew, who had been sent beauty of which he indicates cannot this life, as compared with what we for and arrived, saying, "After all, shall build in the next life, is as a Hummel, I must have had some talstriped shell to Australia. You go into ent." Poor Beetkoven! His work pelled to handle it without gloves, an architect's study and there you see still lives, and in the twentieth cen- miss. the sketch of a temple, the corner- tury will be better appreciated than it stone of which has not yet been laid. was in the nineteenth; and as long 35 the you, author, glancing at the vol-O, that I could have an architectural there is on earth an orchestra to play ume that y on the table in front of sketch of what you will be after eter- or an oratorio to sing, Beethoven's the terrible editor.-Chicago Tribune. nity has wrought upon you! What nine symphonies will be the enchantpillars of strength! What altars of su- ment of nations. But you are not a pernal worship! What pinnacles composer, and you say there is nothing thrusting their glittering spikes into remarkable about you-only a mother the sun that never sets! You do not trying to rear your family for usefulness and heaven. Yet the song with not build an island in a day. Why which you sing your child to sleep will never cease its mission. You will grow old and die. That son will pass out into the world. The song with

the work and at how little we are doing. And yet, do you suppose the rhizopod said, "There is no need of my working! I can not build the Cordil-dat sublime port between de grease an' some capes of embroidered velvet, and white are its colors. You may find poets have all been fascinated with it. leras." Do you suppose the madrepore There is no need of my work-There, with a broad and easy motion, ing; I can not build the Sandwich Islands." Each one attended to his own business; and there are the Sandwich Islands, and there are the Cordilleras. Ah, my friends, the redemption of this world is a great enterprise. I did not see it start; I will not in this world see its close. I am only an insect as compared with the great work to be done, but yet I must do my part. Help build this eternal corallum I will. My parents toiled on this reef long before I was born. I pray God that my children may toil on this reef long after I am dead. Insects all of us, but honored by God to help heave up the reef of light across which shall break the ocean's immortal gladness. Better be insignificant and useful than great and idle. The mastodons and megatheriums of the earth, what did they do but stalk their great carcasses across the land and leave their skeletons through the strata, while the corallines went on heaving up the islands all covered with fruitage and verdure. Better be a coralline than a mastodon. So now I am trying to make one little coralline. The polyp picks out of the wave that smites it carbonate of lime, and with that builds up its own insectile masonry. So out of the wave of your tears I take the salt; out of the bruise I take the blue, and out of your bleeding heart I take the red; and out of them altogether I take this coral, which I pray may not be disowned in the day when God makes up

spiration here, and may help open to

him the gate of a glorious and trium-

phant hereafter. The lullables of this

century will sing through all the cen-

turies. The humblest good accom-

Little things decide great things. All that tremendous career of the last Napoleon hanging on the hand of a brakeman who, on one of our American railways, caught him as he was falling between the cars of a flying train. The battle of Dunbar was decided against the Scotch because their matches had given out. Aggregations of little things that pull down or build up. When an army or a regiment come to a bridge they are always com-

his jewels.

manded to break ranks, for their simultaneous tread will destroy the strongest bridge. A bridge at Anglers. France, and a bridge at Broughton, England, went down because the regiment kept step while crossing. Aggregations of temptation, aggregations of sorrow, aggregations of assaults, aggregations of Christian effort, aggregations of self-sacrifices! These make the irresistible power to demolish or to uplift, to destroy or to save. Little causes and great results. Christianity was introduced into Japan by the falling overboard of a pocket Bible from a ship in the harbor of Tokto.

The Meanest Man.

"About the meanest man I ever knew," said the steady liar, "was a fellow over in Indiana. His little boy got a leg cut off by a sawmill and the old villain had a wooden leg made for the kid of green willow in the hope that it might grow as the boy did, and save him the expense of getting a new one so often."

Golf in Africa Now that a golf club is to be organized at Buluwayo, Africa,the St. Sames' Gazette predicts that "one of these ever heard of, and fies out in ecstasy the other channel." Animalcules beat- days Mr. Rhodes and Mr. Kry

OUR BUDGET OF FUN.

SOME GOOD JOKES, ORIGINAL AND SELECTED.

tome Good Selections from the Comie Papers and Other Exchanges Settling the Turco-Grecian Boundary-Likened Unto a Mop.

> When Millie Goes Stumming. HEN Millie goes slumming it seems



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Each corner that leers as a grewsome old Is lighted and cheered by her sunshing When Millie goes slumming.

Beethoven, sitting in the room, too The little street arabs they steal up the That lead to the portals of poverty's lairs, And cry out, as though taken quite una

wares: ['An angel is coming!" fossilized grief. Grace does not go up rapidly in your soul, but, blessed be folio in his hand and found it was his onclusions I take to be true, admitting she's human, between me and you She's doing just that which real angels

When Millie goes slumming. -Roy Farrell Greens.

It Had the Earmarks. "You don't like my book?" timidly ventured the young author who had in-

vaded the lair of the literary editor for the second time. "No, miss," he said in his gruffest voice. "It's trash! I have been com-

"I- e it looks like it," faltered



Dusty Rhodes-Have King George and the Sublime Porte settled the boundary yet between Greece and Turplished in time will last through eter- key?

Tye Walker-I dunno, but if I was bossin' dat sublime port I'd fix de boundary mighty quick. Dusty Rhodes-How would you fix

Tye Walker-I'd put 'bout a quart of de turkey. .

An old Atlanta darkey gave his employer the other day some reminiscences of the war.

"And you say," said his employer. that you followed your master through the entire war." "Dat I did, suh!" was the proud re-

'He was a great soldier, was he?" "Well, suh," replied the old man, "I couldn't tell much erbout dat. He wuz runnin' so fas' all de time it wuz hard ter keep up wid him. All I does know is-he wuz purty swif !"-Atlanta Constitution.

Economized His Words. Two dusky small boys were quarreling; one was pouring forth a torrent of vituperative epithets, while the other leaned gainst a fence and calmly contemplated him. When the flow of

language was exhausted he said: 'Are you troo?"

"You aint got nuffin' more to say?" "Well, all dem tings what you called me, you is."-Chicago News.

Danger us Ground. "That man Levolves never ceases to be a perfect gentleman," said an ad-

miring acquaintance. "Yes," was the reply; "he absolutely refuses to be led into conversation about the weather."-Washington

Don't You know Me? Scheming Schuyler-Well, we're sure uv a T'anksgivin' dinner. Soiled Sammy-How's dat?

Scheming Schuyler-Turn up at some place where dere's a plate set for de missing boy.

A Fair Question. Tottie-Mamma, what is a taxider-

Mamma-One who stuffs things. Tottie-Then Johnnie's a taxidermist? He is always trying to stuff me.

The "Old Mau" Objected.



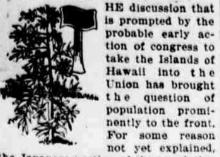
Jimmey-Say, Billy, why don'tcher, let yer hair grow long an' football player? Billy-Well, I started to, but de old

man said if I went around de house lookin' like a mop, he'd wipe de floor

He's Away Off.
Timkins—Isn't old Millyuns a distant relative of yours? Simkins-Yes; so distant isn't able to recognize



(Special Letter.)



the Japanese portion of the population appear to be a great bugbear in the minds of many. This is probably due to the fact that an Asiatic, whatever portion of the Orient he may hail from, is regarded as an undesirable citizen. The majority of American citizens have heard of the disagreeable side of the Chinese nation; they have read that the Japanese are angressive and can run a white man out of busthess, besides many similar statements along the same line, which leads to the classification of all Asiatics into one conglomerate whole and to the speedy condemnation of the lot.

To one who has lived in Hawall three years and been intimately assoclated with the various races that the islands now have within their borders, It seems indeed strange that men of Anglo-Saxon blood should express fear of the Japanese, either in mercantile business or in the labor market. The Japanese coolles work for a mere pittance when they first come from Japan. There can be no question about that, but the aggressive characteristic of their nature shows itself very quickly. They can appreciate high wages as well as an American. It is a pecu-Har fact that while many Americans fear annexation on account of the pos-Puruffect of the Japanese on the labor market many of the business men of Hawaii fear annexation on account of the tendency of the Japanese to seek a higher scale of wages.

Then, again, few people of America appreciate the fact that the common people among the Japanese of Hawaii are liberal buyers. They seek to adopt European and American customs in dress and manner of living. They buy coats, pants and shoes, nearly all of which come from American factories. The fact that the Japanese are "imitators" is often remarked as a slur upon the "little yellow man." Be this as it may, the American manufacturer gets the benefit of this imitative desire on the part of the Japanese of Hawaii, The little rellow men are also good "livers," and while they can, if necessary, exist on a handful of rice money together. They are hard workers and also liberal buyers.

The best evidence where the clothg for the Japanese of Hawall Is bought consists in the fact that the principal business of the dozen or fif-



COFFE PLANTATION PUNA.

teen Japanese stores in Honolulu is in Japanese nick nacks only. Yet threefourths of the Japanese people of the country dress after the style of the Americans. Anyone walking through the streets of Honolulu, or any other

when considering the surject at population, however, it is well to remember that the Hawaiian Islands, with ter of a years distinct critically to the with her, but she has been brought up today's population of 110,000, are the panis of supporting a million. There are thousands of seres of land in Has any one outside your own family. You years of age and some of her people with more feetile, than the handful. wall more fertile than the beautiful shouldn't have prayed for Mr. and advise her to walt a year or so and valleys of California. These lands are | Mrs. Black. God might get so many | see if her present enthusiasm conin the hands of the government and names mixed up."- London Figuro. are being disposed of to bona fide American settlers. Of the lands now being sold the larger portion is being developed in the cultivation of coffee. It has been proved beyond the question of doubt that coffee can be grown at a profit on the mountain sides of Hawaii. It has also been proved beyond the question of a doubt that the

cut the con linent of A pieces and bach taken a so little newas ever accomp world. China is now the view eyes. The king toward with coscramble is just beginiks today as though bet. one year (toes by every great European power will demand a slice off from the celestial empire. Unless the thleves fall out there is no power that can

save the dismemberment of China. When a Manchester (England) timher merchant was sawing a sycamore into lengths he came across a dark knot in the wood an inch and a half in diameter. When this was cut through it displayed the clearly marked outline of a bird, which the merchant deemed ourious enough to have photographed and sent to the Strand Magazine.

An authority says that Senator Hill has no equal as a political leader. That | for the new may be frue, but latterly he has led quiring the by earrying the pail at the tall of the

plated leaving Montana, that they FOR BOYS AND GIRLS. could not find a brighter opening on earth for a small farmer than in Hawall. This man had held back about SOME GOOD STORIES FOR OUR going to the islands because he was not sure about the security of the government and the title of his land after they once got it. There are a great many Americans holding back from going to Hawaii for just this same reason. They have heard it is a country of revolutions, consequently they prefer the security they have in the United States to an uncertain government. But as soon as the United States takes the islands as part and parcel of American territory it will be found that Hawaii will fill up with Americans in mighty short order. The American population will increase as rapidly as it did in the farming districts of California, and no American is ashamed of the State of California.

Whether the predominant population now is Japanese. Chinese or Hawailan it will make little difference after annexation. Even at the present time Americans have slept all night on the floor of a Hawaiian land office in order to be on time at a sale of land the next morning. This is proof enough that there cannot be much doubt that plenty of small farmers will occupy and cultivate profitably the lands of



ON THE ROAD TO THE VOLCANO. Hawaii. It is safe to predict that five years after annexation takes place there will be 25,000 American farmers In the Hawatian islands, growing coffee, bananas: pincapples, and even farm truck. The Asiatic population will not be a source of worry then. It will drop to a secondary position. Then the better class of Japanese will attiliate with the Americans. To those macquainted with the higher class of Japanese this may seem peculiar, yet t is the consensus of opinion among Americans who have lived among the Japanese and who know them.

Experts With the Great Toe.

RED FANTON.

A correspondent of the Overland a day, they are not slow in loading Monthly writes. The negroes of the their tables with American delicacles West Indies use the great toe conof the famous resorts in Jamaica, I had an opportunity to observe the skill with which the black women, who do a great part of the mental labor, carried stone, mortar, and other buildof a live-story tower, in a part of the hotel not then finished.

"Much of the unerring accuracy with which they (the women and girls) chased each other up and down the ong ladders, with heavy loads skilfully poised on their woolly pates, was ice to the firmness with which they grasped each rung of the ladders with the great too. They did not place the onll or the hollow of the foot on the ong, but the groove at the juncture of the great toe with the body of the foot, and they held fast by making the back of the other toes afford the other gripping surface. In much the same way the Abyssinian native cavalry grasp the stirrup. And I have seen a one-armed Sauto Domingan black, astride the near ox in a wheel yoke, guiding a lead mule with a rein held between his great and second toes. while his only arm was devoted to cracking his tenmster's whip."

A tittle 4-year-old girl was saying town in Hawali, can see a practical her prayers the other night and after demonstration of the fact that the her "Now I by me" asked God to bless Japanese population of Hawah are her pape, magama, each one of her good buyers of the products of Amer- brothers and sisters, and Mr and Mrs. of our boat and shoe factories. man of whom the Hitle daughter was When considering the subject of pop-

Every good American knows story of little Ruth Cleveland, who remurked to the daughter of the white house grounds policeman. So your father's a policeman! Oh I wish min

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JUNIOR READERS. The Crooked Sweet Pea Stem-Sport

on the Ice-Whirligig Skating-Why a Horse Hates a Camel-Joining the Salvation Army.



FELLOW'S mother," said Fred, the wise, With his rosy checks and his merry if a fellow gets By a thump or a bruise, or a fall in the dirt.

"A fellow's mother has bags and strings. Rags and buttons, and lots of things. matter how busy she is, she'll stop To see how well you can spin your top.

She does not care-not much, I mean-If a fellow's face is not always clean And if your trousers are torn at the She can put in a patch that you'd never

"A fellow's mother is never mad,

And only sorry if you're bad; And I will tell you this, if you're only She'll always forgive you, what'er you "I'm sure of this," said Fred, the wise,

With a manly look in his laughing eyes,

"I'll mind my mother quick, every day; A fellow's a baby that don't obey."

-Selected. The Crooked Sweet Pen Stem.

In the queen's garden was planted a ong row of sweet peas which grew and blossomed as only sweet peas in a queen's garden could grow and blossom. How lovely they were, and what a delight were they to the queen,

One bright June morning three tiny buds commenced to feel their way out to the sun, and that they might see the queen when he passed by. But long before it was time for the little buds to bloom, they were caught by one of the tendrils of the vine which held them fast, so that the stem on which they grew was bent all out of

One afternoon the gardener passed by, and he saw the little crooked stem. 'Oh," said the flowers, "he will snip us off and throw us away; for would not the queen feel sorry if she should come along and find us growing here?" And this the gardener was just

ready to do when something attracted his attention, so that he forgot all about snipping them off, and for a time they were safe. Just at sunset the queen passed by.

"Oh." cried the poor little flowers, "let us hide, so that the queen cannot see our deformity.? But the queen did see them. "What sweet little flowers," she exclaimed, and this evening in my hair will I

wear you. Would God that my crown were one-half as fair as the sweet faces of these lovely flowers." wore the happy little flowers, and then, when she retired for the night placed them in a tiny jeweled

vase, that they might keep sweet and fresh for the morrow. "Oh," exclaimed my poor little de-

ing materials on their heads to the top formed boy, "is that a truly true "Almost." I replied.

"Tell me the true part of it," he asked eagerly.

"You are the little sweet pea blossom, my boy, and mother is your

How the little lad's eyes shone when he joyfully cried out, "Oh! Oh! Oh! and the queen loves me. I knew she did. I am so glad, mamma,"

"Yes." I replied, hugging him close to mother's breast, "I do love you But Jesus loves us more than we can possibly love each other, and He has seen me, and He has seen my darling boy, and we know Him; so that by and by He will come and take us home to dwell with Him; there all the crooked shall be made straight, my precious boy," "Oh, how lovely," exclaimed the little lad. Bay City, Mich.

Joining the Salvation Army.

Mary B. would like very much to join the Salvation Army, but her family and friends oppose her so violently that she has not the courage to take the step. She knows that her whole heart and soul are absorbed in their work and feels that there is no field in which she could be so useful to the world and so matisfactory to herself. tinues. If so she will be of age and can do as she pleases; if not the question will settle itself. Answer: counsel of your friends is eminently wise and proper. Young persons ofter take violent fancies and become filled with philanthropic ideas that they abandon as they grow older and see The best course more of the world. pursue is to keep your

rse flates a Camel. ve their likes and disas men, and they are to explain. A cat nattes and fears a dog. The es mice and dogs. Horses els, and will not stay in the ck with them if they can help traps. But natyire knows best what is hard to give a cause for these ons. Why should the horse disthe harmless camel and be fond of the dog? It must be that the horse has a dormant sense of beauty and of hamor. The ideal of the horse is made by the children of the Nethergrace, combined with strength. He disapproves from the bottom of his na-then, but "Flanders ture of the hopelessly vulgar, awkward and unesthetical comel. The bear, he sees at once, though clumsy, is unpretentious, truthful and not devoid of a sense of humor. The dog he recog-

nizes as a good fellow, companionable

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a Salvation Army

will wish you God

the dog and the horse is that they are THE both fond of sport, whereas a camel would not go an inch to see the best race that was ever run.

Seven-Year-Old Hero New York Telegram: Monday seven-year-old Abraham Eckerson of Guttenburg, N. J., was playing soldier with his five little brothers and sisters in the kitchen, when they were suddenly confronted by seventeen writhing, hissing copperhead snakes. The largest, three feet long, led the rest, and was making toward the children when the boy saw it. He also saw the danger of his companions and screamed at them to run out of the room. They were so frightened that they could scarcely move hand or foot. Abraham drew his wooden sword from his belt, and, jumping in the front of the rest, struck the big copperhead a stinging blow. It recoiled, bleeding. He then advanced on woodchuck. So that while we call his weapon. In the meantime his com- names. ed beside the fire.

Sport on the Ice. One of the most exciting of winter sports is the sled merry-go-round. It is built very much like an ordinary boy's whirligig, only it is placed on

the ice. And for genuine fun it cannot

be equaled. Any boy can make a sled merry-gostout post, long enough to reach ing place in the mud or sand in the When it is put in place a hole may be cut in the ice just large enough to admit it, and a heavy mallet will drive it into place in the bottom of the pond. If it is left over night the water will freeze close around it and hold it solid. In the top of the post a large, round whirligig part of the merry-go-round is a long plank or scantling with a hole in the middle just large enough to fit over the bolt or spike. When this is in place the merry-go-round is

complete. Before it is used, however,

it is well to grease the top of the post

and bolt so that the plank will slip

around easily. Any number of exciting games may he played with the sled merry-goround. Perhaps the best of these is the sled contest. Two stout sleds are attached to the ends of the plank by ong ropes. A boy sits on each of them. Then half a dozen other boys stand near the post and set the plank to turning, exactly as in a whirlgig. Of course the sleds travel at exhilarating speed, swinging out at the ends of the ropes and slipping and sliding over the smooth ice faster and faster, until the rider rolls off like the end boy in cracking the whip. The boy who can stick to his sled longest is the winner of the game.

Another exciting game is played without sleds. Skaters take hold of the ropes, and see how long they can hold on after the merry-go-round is build his own, and the next morning's



started. And sometimes, when they let go, they are whirled rods away across

Any boy who is getting up a skating rink for the winter should not fall to have a sled merry-go-round as one of

Bird Congress in Jackson Park. the swallows chiep and chatter is a cessful for pursuit is impossible. caution! You'd think they were holding a bird congress and talking over it difficult to kill these animals. those foreign birds which, it is said, rifle range. are to be brought here to exterminate noisy birds from the cities of America.

The Fox's Bed Quilt. Why does the fox need such a big. bushy tail? Of what use is it, anyway? One would think that it would be in the fox's way when he was running through the brush, and that it would help to proclaim his presence when he was creeping public game. Besides that, it is sometimes caught in

Old Time Flanders Babies. Did you know that, in the eighteenth century, almost They we en't called dolla then, but "Flanders babies" instead. There used to be an old English couplet which ran thus:

"The children of Hollans ure in making What the children of E pleasure in breaking

the fox needs a

PRAIRIE DOG.

CURIOUS LITTLE NATIVE OF THE WEST.

Looks Like a Monster Rat and Bears No Resemblance to the Canine Race -Is a Very Difficult Animal to KIII.



HE curious little animal known as the prairie dog is not much of a dog. says a writer in Golden Days; he looks very much like a monstrous rat, his yelp has more squirrel than dog in it, and he behaves like

the enemy and felled three more of the this ancient builder of "cities" west snakes that seemed ready to spring at of the Missouri River a dog, it is well the children. The whole body of to remember that his bushy little tail snakes retreated as Abraham wielded would wag as well under several other

panions were screaming as loud as By his pertness, shyness and innothey could. Their cries brought in cence, he is a pet with travelers and Mrs. Eckerson, armed with a poker ranchmen and others who do not need and a powerful dog. Rex. While the those parts of the great plains where Newfoundland dog jumped and gnaw- he and his tribe have long been ed at the wriggling mass Mrs. Ecker- "squatter sovereigns;" when, however, son thrust the children from the room. the farmer comes along and wants to She then returned and killed the rep- plough and sow and reap where the tiles that still showed life. When the dog has made himself a home, he begood work was over Mrs. Eckerson comes a pest. He stubbornly refuses fainted from fright and excitement, to yield to the newer civilization. He The snakes are supposed to have been and his neighbors are too numerous thawed out of a log which had just to kill, and they are so skillful at been hauled from the woods and plac- dropping into their sandpits when an enemy comes near, that their army seldom loses a "man."

If the farmer attempts to plough a section of the prairie where they burrow, the chances are his horses will break their legs, for the dogs have bored the ground full of holes running straight down for eight or ten feet. and about the size of a horse's leg. And if the legs come out whole, the

ground isn't half ploughed, for beround. All the material necessary is a tween the holes are mounds built with the sand or soil, thrown out until it through the ice and find a secure rest- looks as if there had been a shower of large-sized chopping-bowls, all bottom of the pond. It should reach fallen bottom side up. Over these the in and out.

While the farmer, thus aggravated, ly in his basement parlor, possibly decided he should be sent home for smiling over the folly of man. For no sooner has the farmer left the field at sunset than the dog sets himself who come to school with the odor of bolt or spike should be driven. The to spoil man's earth-works and re- onions so strong as to be offensive I

NO ONIONS IN HER SCHOOL. Kansrs Teacher Deprives Her Pupils of an Ancient Right.

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That wholesome article of food, the onion, has had a ban set upon it by a Topeka, Kas., school teacher. Miss differentiated, but the Elmora McCoy, a teacher of the Clay rious kinds of lap dogs ! street school, has made it a rule of although non quite I her room that no pupil bearing the breeds says knowleds odor of onions shall be received. She back as about 3000 is receiving the support of the prin-frescoes show not on cipal and other teachers in the school breeds, but on with d in her action. All teachers know by a hound, and a third. experience how unpleasant it is for compared to the moders them and the class to be confined in house dogs and lap dop a room with children whose breath is afterward. Whether strongly pervaded with the smell of the direct and stors of 5 onions, garlie and other such dishes. or whether all such Prof. O. P. M. McClintock, principal duced by of the school, fully upholds Miss Mc-Coy, and says a law ought to be passed in every state permitting teachers to send home pupils who are in any way objectionable. "I think the point is covered in the rule of the board of education which gives a teacher the right to send home from school any child who for any reason is objectionable to other children. For instance, if a child came to school with a large supply of assafetida, I imagine that he or she would be sent home. When I was principal of Jackson school last year I remember sending a certain colored girl home regularly because she came to school in such a condition that her presence was objectionable to the other children. While I confess that I rather like onions myself and recognize them as wholesome articles of food, yet I always have sufficient consideration for others to cat them only when I intend to go directly to bed, without seeing anyone." week Miss McCoy emphasized her order by sending home two boys for carrying onions in their pockets and another for having partaken of them. "I detest onions." said she, "but my attention was first called to the boys in question by other pupils. Children who were sitting near the two boys who had onions in their pockets, complained of the odor, and I did not think it was right that they should stay in the room and annoy other children. I rather suspected the boy who had eaten them of carrying onions around with him because the odor was strong, but he told me that about three feet above the surface. team stumbles and the plough plunges he had not handled onions and had simply eaten them at dinner. He is a boy I am inclined to believe, but the is losing his temper, the dog sits safe- odor of onions was so strong that I 'fumigation.' In the future, unless Prof. McClintock objects, all chidren

Truly, the Tongue Deadly Poson Although the law takes of of a direct slander, and th may be, and in any inst brought to account, there seen no redress, for "the lie which truth, is ever the hardest to fi which does vastly more misch the direct falsehood, which may and conquered, says the New

Tribune. The hardest part of injurious gossip is, that the tal insinuation, or whatever it may emanates generally from amon victim's own familiar friends; one who often has no real the harm she—for, alack, woman-has done, but no -1so rather enjoys the more of these born mischiefwho are the stormy petrels of as it were, and who seems alwe be the harbingers of som wherever they go. "Whenever I Mrs. X-," said one of her acquali ances, "I know that she will something to say that will leave b with a disagreeable impression, whi affects my opinion, and, rather, pe haps, my liking for some one else; although I know that whatever says may be taken with a grain of sall still she generally has something t start on, and one never knows lu where the line between truth and-to put it mildly-gross exaggeration is drawn." Such people are the curse of society. They breed trouble -they go, and yet they cat

held to account, because there is erally a minimum of truth in their sertions, but they so twist and c innocent act, that they seem absolu different from what was originally teaded. Truly, "the tongue no n

Rather Ambiguous. yet?" DeAuber-"Well, I should at so. I've just received a commission from old Millyuns, who wants his "Wants her painted badly, ch? I con-

gratulate you, old fellow. You're the

Puzzling Problem. From the Boston Transcript: -"I suppose you think I'm a foot your supposition is correct, then you can not be a fool; and yet-well, you understand."

Marriages. It is said that in twelve marriages out of every 100 one of the parties has been married before.

Surely. Yeast-"I've just invested in one those salt-and-pepper suits." Crimsonbeak-"Well, that s if it would be good for at legal seasons."-Yonkers Statesman,

POINTED PARAGRA People who are too fresh get in a pickie. Corners are as difficult

street car as in the market. A man would rather wh 51 wager than earn \$5 at honest lab A man with a "skate" in the gutter, but a rolling si

Probably the reason t popular is because the pu

What is said to some peop to go in at one ear and out

The output of M ing 1896 was



sun shines on the city of hillocks restored, each inhabitant sitting upright on the roof and calling "good-morning" to his neighbors. If the farmer repeats his work, so

do the dogs, and while he grows poor at it, they seem to make a living by it. They are not disposed to "move on" before white men. In the midst of a fine farming section

in Nebraska, and near a city of three thousand people, there is large prairiedog town, which was settled when the "oldest inhabitant" pitched his tent in that section, thirty years ago. But, ordinarily, they manifest a re-

spect for agriculture by locating on sandy sterile tracts. The prairie-dog's head is half flat,

his ears small and pretty, his eye bright, his nose hawk-billed, his jaws broad and his front teeth wide and sharp. These teeth he makes a mowing machine of, clipping blades of grass for his breakfast as neatly as any one can with scissors. His lens are short and his paws broad, making regular dirt paddles.

Each member of the community has his or her own cellar-door to the under-ground city, but, ten feet below the surface, each citizen's private Half a dozen big, heavy wires hold apartment opens into his neighbor's; in place the tall chimney of the Field so that if the city contains ten thou-Columbias museum. Most of the time sand dogs, one pursued into his hole these wires are covered so thickly by smoke water or other enemy, has with swallows that they look like long ten thousand avenues for escape. Their ribbons of ..ve feathers. And the way escape is inward and invariably suc-

Even the most skillful hunters find the desirability of Chicago as a winter | They scent danger afar off, and resort or laying plans of war against seem to have a pretty correct idea of

Japanese Importations.

The attractive bead and rattan portieres imported from Japan have still another use: as yet they have been, for the most part, hung in a narrow doorway, to half conceal, half reveal the room beyond. At present they are sometimes employed, instead of voluminous draperies, at the window. They act as an effective screen, while they by no means shut out either the light or the air, as do the muffling folds of heavy materials.- New York Post.

Ingenious Street Lamp. Street lamps can be mounted on a new telescopic post to make them easy to reach for trimming and filling, a set screw englance the central shaft to hold it in position with pulleys and weights set in the post to counterbalance the lamp.

The Reason. "Now, why did they aracter O for naught?" the shape of Yellow Book.

intend to send home as I sent the three boys in question."

An amusing incident occurred a few days ago at Broad street station. An tort the simplest remark, or put s old gentleman, while passing through a construction on some thoughtlessi the waiting room, stooped and picked up a ten-dollar note from the floor and quickly put it in his trousers pocket.

A young man near by, noticing this, can tame, as it is an unruly member, at once claimed the money as his, but full of deadly poison," when belonging the old gentleman's opinion on that to a social mischief maker. point was somewhat different, and a heated argument ensued. The matter was explained to a ticket agent at the window, who referred the two disputants to the head agent to settle the question of ownership. They were ushered into the private-office of the arbiter. After a lively discussion the daughter painted badly." old gentleman finally became indignant, and, drawing his hand from his nocket, he threw the note on the desk, very man for a job like that. exclaiming, "Here, take the old ten dollars!" As the agent was unfolding the note a large smile overspread his features, and he showed them it was not a ten-dollar note at all, but an Cass-"That's what troubles me, advertisement of a leading house in this city. The young man's face flush- are a mind reader, and therefore you ed scarlet, and, looking neither right nor left, he unceremoniously rushed from the office through the depot, and disappeared.-Philadelphia Record.

Largest Sawmiil.

What is said to be the largest saw mill in the world is operated by electricity at Port Blakely, Wash. The whole plant is lighted by electricity. and at present the mill is running night and day, with three shifts of men for the twenty-four hours. Electricity is also used for motive power in the planing and finishing departments and in the blacksmith and pattern shops. Their lathes, planes, moldings and pattern workings are so complete that they are enabled to supply any portion of disabled machinery at short notice, and last year furnished fifty tons of castings for their own repairs. The company also owns and runs a grist mill for a supply of the logging camps, a hotel for visitors, a hall for public meetings and church purposes and a town of some two hun- no ice. dred houses.

William's Water-Colors.

The Emperor William of Germany has dispatched two water-coler drawings done by himself to St. Petersburg for presentation to the officers of the caulser Rossiya, which he inspected during his recent visit to Russia. The other. Probably there is no pictures will be formally handed over to the officers of the ship by the German naval attache at St. Petersburg.

On December 21, 1896, Belgie population was 6,495,844,

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the crime. The opposite side of the thing that never comes to who waits.

tween to stop it.

************* orge Caulfield's Journey

"No, sir. I don't think it was his

unkindness ti...t worried her. But he

ever coming home till the last train,

and that worried her. Not that he

the soberest young man as ever was,

but she was of a jealous disposition,

and the thought that he was out en-

joying himself with other people used

"That was hardly fair, if he treated

her kindly when he was at home. A

sir, for I know how it worrits me when

my master stops late at the 'Coach and

"Ah, but it's different with a hus-

band. A wife has a right to be exact-

ing, not a sister. Now, tell me how

they left the place, and all about it.

I'm interested in this poor girl, and

perhaps I may be able to befriend her.

"He was going to take her to some

"What kind of a young woman was

"No, sir. she were not. I never laid

eyes on a brother and sister more un-

similar. She had been very pretty,

there's no denying that, but her ner-

yous, worriting ways had that worn

and preyed upon her that she was old

and 'aggard before her time. She had

light brown hair, and a fair skin and

blue eyes, and I dessay she had been a

pretty figure before she wasted away

like, but her 'ealth were never good

"Did you see her the day she went

"It wasn't a day, sir. She went late

at night, by the last train to Grand-

chester. She was to sleep in Grand-

chester, and go on to the scaside next

morning; and I do say that it wasn't the right thing for a young person in

"She was wrapped up warmly, I sup-

"Yes, she wore a thick Scotch plaid

"Black and red," assented the

woman, with some astonishment, "One

"I told you I was interested in the

He took out his memorandum book

and wrote down the date and hour of

the young woman's removal from Rose

Cottage. She had left in the one cab

that plied between Parminter village

and the Parminter Road Station. The

cabman could be forthcoming if he

Mr. Leworthy rewarded this worthy

woman with a crown piece, half of

which he stinulated was to be given to

the little girl when she came home

from her errand, and then he walked

briskly back to the station, which was

a good half mile from Lawson Lane.

He was lucky enough to get a train in

less than half an hour, and he was

back in Grandchester at three o'clock

Here he took a cab and drove

straight to Mr. Brockbank's office, to

"Upon my soul, you're a clever fel-

low, vicar!" cried the lawyer; "you

ought to have been something better

that fool of a local surgeon, because the

immediate cause of death was obvious-

ly laudanum. Why, it's clear to my

mind, from what I've head to-day, that

this poor creature was slowly done to

death by arsenic, and that the dose of laudanum was only given to the last

argument, and looked at once to his

"There's a train at 4:30," he said; "I

"I shall call on Mr. Umpleby and

"Very little, I should imagine, for

The char-woman's

shows that she was jealous

unhappy. She fretted on account

heard quarreling. Take my word for it,

Brockbank, that unfortunate woman

was a wife-a wife to whom Mr. Foy

grew mortally tired when he found

that it was on the cards to marry Miss

Umpleby, with a handsome dowry, and

the prospect of rapid advancement in

the house. Now I want you to set one

of your clerks at work, without an

'It shall be done," said Brockbank,

"Only this much: I have written an

getting rid of a sister. But what if

the young woman was something more

dfleult to dispose of than a sister?

try and stop to-morrow's wedding."

can go by that. And now what are

"You mean I ought to have been

whom he imparted all he had done.

in the afternoon.

than a parson.'

to accelerate the end.

railway timetable.

you going to do?"

lated the lawyer.

at a registry office."

'Anything more?'

were wanted, Mrs. Moff suggested,

young lady," answered the vicar,

shawl that he bought her the winter

"Black and red?" said the ylear.

would think you'd seen it, sir,"

from the time I knew her.'

away?" asked the vicar.

at the office all day.

before.

vaguely.

Miss Foy? Was she like her brother?"

Horses' on a Saturday night."

Where did they go?"

to prey on her mind."

R IV. - (CONTINUED.) was a rustic village seven randchester. It did not used to keep very late hours-hardly ction affected by Grandhants or Grandchester Here were no Gothic fair Italian villas, springcoms from the soilusion of lime and mord flooring boards, and me, and the next all geranium beds and ribelvet lawns and newberies. None of the th of Grandchester

sister has no right to be jealous of a brother. Parminter. The "Perhaps, not, sir, but jealous she village-a mere cluswas, and fret she did. 'I've nobody cottages, two or three but him in the world, Mrs. Moff,' she and half a dozen small said—my name being Moff—'and I can't habby-genteel type. bear him to be always away. There last was Rose Cottage, was a time when he spent all his evenhouse, with plaster ings at home.' And then tears would roll down her poor holler cheeks, and th greenery and scarit went to my 'eart to see her so misin this winter season. erable. I had a feller-feelin', you see,

below, rustic lattice ch a house as a man ble taste and inconsidwould choose for himgarden in front of the was in admirable order. had a deserted look Leworthy thought, as

_twice, three times, feet than if Rose Cota toy house inhabited

place near the sea, on the other side This was aggravatof Grandchester, and a good way off. a meadow on one side The name has gone clean out of my where half a dozen head. He was very kind to her from vsing contentedly. The the time she fell ill. She told me so he hurdle which divided with her own lips, 'Gaston was never om Lawson Lane, and so kind to me in all his life,' she says. o the back of the cot-He fancied it was the air here that ere was a small garden, didn't agree with her, she told me, and tastely laid out, but there appearance of human life of the house than in the go off in a dead faint."

my gentleman comes rets himself in with e viear said to himself. bing the hurdle on his lane, when a small girl, ort skirt-a girl of timid ying a beer jug-dropped sy, and said:

was it you a-ringing of now?" ?" ejaculated the vicar, Yes, it was."

en, smiling on the small girl, had a heart large enough for many parishes of children, he

not vexed with you, my dear; with Fate. Tell me all you at that cottage, and I'll give

ed. She had never posabundance, Her father

but they've lett, hey've left, have they? When leave?"

Monday, sir, and the lady was sir, and he took her away in

And Mr. Foy has not back He left the key of th stage to my is to put up a r, and the P'

and the house is to ext weel It was look furnished, and is furnished again." they live quite alone? Had servant?"

sir, no reg'lar servant, Mother do the cleaning twice a week. er's very sorry they be gone. They good to mother.' ow long had they lived there?"

igh upon a year. nd the lady was Mr. Foy's sister?" es, sir."

nd now take me to your mother." girl looked wistfully at the jug. you please, I was to fetch fath-

And if you don't, father will sir." you shail go; but first tell

your mother lives." child pointed down Lawson It's the last cottage, sir. ight.

here the lane straggled off into fields and open country there row of laborers' cottages, and in t of these Mr. Leworthy found tive woman with a child in her ho owned to being the mother mail girl with the jug. ie vich wasted no time in prelim-

He seated himself on an albottomics chair, and with his umbrella planted between his Interrogated the matron thus: u used to work for Mr. Foy and

ister. What do you know about only that they paid me honorable what work I did, sir. I'm bound

up and say that, whoever asks Good. Did they live happily toas-brother and sister?"

the matron began to hesitate. She shifted her baby from one arm to the other. She gave a deprecating

"I see-they quarreled sometimes." "I never seen 'em, sir, for I scarce ever see Mr. Foy. He was off to Grandchester before I went of a morning. and he didn't come back till after I left. I used to go for the half day

not the whole day. But heard them at high words, in time, when the winders was en, or when they was in the garof Foy's late hours. They were over-

Had the sister

'No, sir, not above a month.' What was the matter with her?" "Well, sir, I can't say azackly. It was a sort of wasting sickness, like. the couldn't keep nothing on her omach, of late, poor dear; and she ad pains that racked her, and used complain of a burning feel in her

is altogether, as you

all came from

morrow in three local dailies." He read the draft of his advertise

ment. "The bring us information as to the next stage in that poor young woman's journey after she left Par-

minter." he said. "Possibly. You are really a genius at the art of hunting a criminal."

"No, sir, I am only thorough. I would do a good deal more than this to help anyone I love. Now I'm off. I dare say you've some business to get was ever the worse for drink. He was through before you start for Milidale." "Only half a dozen letters to dictate," answered the lawyer, lightly, and [L.) then he put his lips to a speaking tube

> and gave an order. "Send up the shorthand clerk, and have a cab at the door at quarter past four."

> > CHAPTER V.



LEWORTHY went back to Kibble & Umpleby's and asked if Mr. Umpleby was on the premises. No. Mr. Umpleby had left half an hour ton Park.

ton Park was an adjoining suburb, on such as are flowed with lime-water, where those well-to-do citizens of or are so much occupied with other Grandchester who did not like the la- plants as to choke out the cranberry bor of daily railroad journeys con- vine after it had been planted. The tented themselves with a semi-urban great enemy of the cranberry is sage. retirement in villas of their own build- a plant common to all marshes naturing, amidst shrubberies of their own ally gdapted to cranberry culture. This planting, overlooking the towniest and plant increases rapidly, under favormost formal of public parks. It had long been a grief to the female Umpleby's that, where other merchants' families of wealth and standing had Gothic mansions or Italian palaces set in richly wooded landscapes, remote from the smoke of the city, they had only the stereotyped surroundings of a it is rather a relaxing air, here, sir. I thickly populated suburb, and were in feel it so sometimes, myself, and if it nowise better off than their next-door wasn't for my drop of beer I should neighbors.

A cab with a horse of his own choosing drove Mr. Leworthy to the utmost limit of Tolkington Park in less than half an hour. He found the Umpleby mansion, which was called Mount Lebanon, although the ground on which it stood was as flat as a pancake, and there was not a cedar within a mile. It was a substantial, square house, with bay windows, a broad flight of steps, grandiose iron railings, painted dark blue, and surmounted with guilded pineapples, and an all-pervading glare of plate glass windows.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

HE WAS JUSTLY DEFEATED. Came Within Four Inch es of Being

Millionaire. "I'm not going to give names, but press down with the foot and the work you all know that I have no imagina- of planting is done. Vines so planted tion that can invent fairy tales. I lit- often push out runners a foot or more erally came within four inches of be- in length the first year and look as

her state of 'c. th to travel late on a winter's night. But there, poor feller, it wasn't his fault, for 'fe had to be club who is the recognized story pro-"Go on;" exclaimed the man at the ground, even though planted three moter in the organization, says the De troit Free Press.

"I'm telling you right. Some years ago I secured employment in an immense factory that turns out a certain chemical basic used the world over, and as staple as wheat. It was a rule of the establishment that a good man This first brood of insects makes its one department, but under no circumstances could be go from one depart- with water, and grows to maturity, ties ment to another. Every possible pre- itself up in its cocoon and passes the of studied disguises I succeeded in find- numbers, devouring sage and eranberbut one, and that being where the coloring was done I thought this omission of very little importance. By standing in with one of the office men I succeeded in tracing the parts entering into the principal machines. This was no small job, for there would be one piece made in Portland, Me., andother in San Francisco, another in Dallas, and another would be imported. I went everywhere and mastered the machinery. Then upon a guarantee that I had secured the process I interested capital. When we anxiously analyzed results we found that the stuff was all right except in color. Then I grew desperate and determined to dig my way into the coloring department of the parent institution. Just as I began work on a four-inch partition I was discovered, and incontinently tossed from a second-story window. We found it impossible to master the trick of colsomething that pays better. Now, look oring, and all we had to show for half here, Brockbank, you must start off to a million invested was a lot of empty Milldale by the first train, and get the buildings and smokeless stacks. I've coroner to order a post-mortem. No | concluded since that I got just what I post-mortem necessary, forsooth, said deserved."

A HUNGARIAN DELICACY. Very Expensive but Rather Disgusting

to the Traveler. The head walter, to tempt me, as I came in, passed me with a live thing flopping on a plate-it was a fish this time, just out of the water-and stop-Mr. Brockbank saw the force of this ped just long enough to allow me a rapid glance at its beauty, says Harper's Magazine. I at first supposed that some lucky line had but a moment before drawn it struggling from the lake, and that it was then being taken to die elsewhere. It was only when I overheard the minute instruc-"What motive can this Foy have had tions for its immediate and proper for getting rid of his sister?" specuserving-it was passed on to an epicure at the next table to mine-that I was undeceived, and it was not long before I discovered that such fish formed one of the chief attractions of the place. I then began to watch, from where I sat, What if she was his wife? These two coung people lived quite alone in a

the small boy who, in the center of the ountry lane. It was easy for them to cafe, presided over the fountain under flopped wriggling on a plate. The sight had rather dulled my appetite. I would as soon have ordered its mate as I would have thought of driving in a spring lamb and carving out a brace It equaled that of two bottles of extra natural in subject hour's delay, to hunt up evidence of dry-the price being the same to com- of the purps such a marriage, either in a church or | moners and to kings,

> Sales of land along the Northern Pacific and Great Northern railways are reported larger than in many years

MATTERS OF INTEREST TO ACRICULTURALIST.

Some Up-to-Date Hints About Cultivation of the Soil and Yields Thereof-Horticulture, Viticulture and Floriculture.

Cranberry Growing. D. WOOLSEY of Michigan writes asking for an article on cranberry growing. In response we reprint a paper read some years ago before the Wisconsin Horticultural society by H. Floyd of Wisconsin.

A large share of the effort to reclaim and replant marshes with the cranberry vine have been largely experimental, and many of these experiments have proved failures, in whole or in part. The causes of these failures are various. Some have planted in grass, which was not kept down; others have planted in marshes of no ago, to return to depth, with no supply of water to keep the bosom of his them wet, and hence have failed of the family in Tolking- wished-for or expected results; while others have planted in marshes not Happily for the eager vicar, Tolking- adapted to the growth of the plant, or able circumstances, by sending out stolens when the marsh is dry and in proper condition for the rapid growth of the cranberry vine. Hence, all lands which are to be planted with the cranberry should be cleared from sage, and nearly so from grass or other plants, especially the small brake or fern that sometimes infest these marshes.

> drawn off in winter to the compost heap. If they are to be burned, the scalping should be done early enough to have the full benefit of any dry time that may follow. When a clean surface has been secured in any way, the vines may be planted. The best mof planting I have yet discovered as cut into the bog with an adze. A spade blade, shaped to the proper angle and handled, would, I think, be a good tool to make the cuts with. With either of these tools make a slanting cut, leaving the slice so that it can be raised with one hand and with the other slide the bunch of vines under and spread them the width of the cut; though they would soon cover the

All intelligent cultivators agree as to

that are to be planted to vines. These

feet apart. It is not absolutely necessary to have these plants flowed until the third winappearance, working or feeding on the vines. In this case the land should be flowed up to the last of May or first of June. This will prevent the first brood hatching in any considerable number. could stay as long as he wanted to in appearance about the middle of May, feeds on sage or vines not covered caution was taken against the discov- chrysalis state. The last of July or ery of the secret process. By a series first of August it often appears in vast ing employment in every department ry plants to such an extent as to almost destroy the entire crop of fruit. But if the marshes and plants can be completely covered with water, it will be impossible for the cranberry insect to nurseries for its propagation, and the millers fly from one to the other. The insect deposits its eggs as freely on on one as on the other, hence all natural marshes are quite sure to be stocked with them to some extent.

The question of how the grower can a very important one, since with it he that shallow plowing will be necessary

advertisement which will appear to FARM AND GARDEN. (snow is nearly as good if we have it, but is not as reliable), and is also a the plants during the hottest hours of

> bearing marshes should have accurate knowledge of the stage of water after it is drawn nearly to the surface of the marsh until after the crop of fruit is set, since very heavy and severe losses have occurred, and will occur, if this is neglected; also after this time, in case of freshets, care should be taken to prevent an overflow.

> regard to the varieties. On examination of most any marsh which is stocked with vines, we find a number of distinct varieties of fruit, differing in size, shape, season and in solidity. The best berry is one that has a good form, is early in its season of ripening, solid can find.

The Seventeen-Year Locust.

Bulletin No. 87 of the Ohio experiment station deals with the so-called seventeen-year locust in Ohio, and especially with its occurrence the presthe importance of scalping marshes ent season in the eastern part of the state, as well as giving the years durturf scalpings may be turned over, or rolled up, then dried and burned or ing which each of the four broads will next make their appearance, and the section of country which each will be likely to occupy. This insect is really one of the Bugs, and comes out of the ground once in seventeen years to lay its eggs in the twigs of trees, and especially the oak. These eggs hatch within a few weeks and drop to the ground and dig their way to the roots, upon which they feed, largely at least, for within a few weeks of seventeen years, coming to the surface again only at the end of this time. In extreme Southern Ohio a brood will appear in the year 1906, but north of this and west of the middle of the state another brood will appear in the year 1902. while in the extreme northeastern counties, a third brood will make its appearance in the year 1900. These different broods all belong to the same species, and the reason why they occur at such different periods of time and in different localities is not yet known. The young locusts do not do ter, unless insects should make their any material damage to the roots of the trees and the adults do not feed upon the leaves, as they have a sucking and not a biting mouth. Hence, the only injury that a Cicada is capable of doing is to puncture the twigs of young trees and plants, and either were eaten in myrlads by the English sparrow, and it is not unlikely that this bird will, in time, exterminate this insect over considerable tracts, but is questionable if, after all, the sparrows do not do far more injury than the Ci-

Embden Feathers.-The best geese for feathers are the Embdens, as they become very numerous and destructive, are entirely white, but the Toulouse unless adjoining marshes are made yield the heaviest. The quantity ranges from one-fourth to one-half pound per year. The best for market is a cross of a Toulouse gander with sage plants as on the cranberry, and an Embden goose. Both breeds attain, the young worms feed and grow as fast | at times, the weight of twenty to twenty-five pounds per single bird .- Ex.

If you are to plow an orchard deep begin at first and keep it up till the can protect his vines in the winter to save the little feeding roots.

Action of Water in the Soil.

protection against the ravages of the a mutually adhering mass of its parthe bloom or sunscald, which is occas- be desiccated by a system of drains, the descent in the marsh, except the to this the drains afford conduits in main ones. The excavations of the which it is compelled to find its way former should be thrown into slight between the particles of the soil. The of the season; then by damming the earth, determines the sinking of the any desired heighth. The overseer of place with the water above the pipes. The stratum of water beneath the

pipes is at the same time of great imupon which the water to be drained rests, and, gravity being exerted, causes the flow in the lateral direction, having no other impediment to overcome than friction among the earth particles. A word to growers and cultivators in | The original angle of the water line with regard to the pipes is a matter of less importance. Accordingly, the known hydrostatic law, "every connected mass of water stands at a uniform level." could not exist were it not for the friction which the water must overcome in its passage to the drains. and meaty, and a prolific bearer. The Again, as the greater or less friction is young grower especially may derive dependent upon the greater or less benefit by starting plants of vines, from proximity of the particles of the soil. selections of the best varieties that he this alone is a measure of the proper distance of the drains from each other; that is, they must be placed at such distances from each other that the friction cannot neutralize the motive power (in this case, specific gravity). We base this assertion upon the doctrine of physics that adhesion exerts its influence as soon as it is stronger than the gravity which carries the adhering | months. body downward.-Klippart.

Glanders.

Bulletin 27, Oklahoma Experiment Station: The Oklahoma experiments with malleln as an agent for detecting glanders were confined to four farms where glanders existed and included the testing of six animals, three of which were found to be diseased. The difficulty in determining the exact nature of the disease in mild cases is very great, and it is in such cases that mallein finds its most useful applica-

Symptoms.-The symptoms of glanders will necessarily vary greatly, depending on the nature of the disease, whether acute or chronic, also whether the entire system is affected or if the disease is localized in some particular organ. The external form very carefully, not giving it above a of the disease, commonly known as tablespoonful at a feed, boiled up in, farey, button farey, etc., is not a dis- say a quart of water. Towards spring. tinct disease, but is due to the action ders. In farcy the first symptom of the disease is the formation of small nodules under the skin. These most frequently appear on the inside of the thigh, below the hock and on the side of the neck, but may appear on any part of the body. These enlargements weaken them so that they break off, or are at first hot and sensitive. The tis- the butter is ready and the package is else cause them to die. The Cicadas sue is finally destroyed and a small ulcer is formed which discharges a thin, yellowish, viscid material, which soon forms scale over the ulcers. The lympearing like cords under the skin, and chronic glanders.

ed in the chronic form, and may exist surely is .- Geo. W. Linn. in an animal for a considerable length of time without producing any marked symptoms. Usually the first notice- hog eat a bushel of filth in order to able symptom is a thin, watery dis- get a bushel of grain. A clean feeding charge from one or both nostrils. This flour is not difficult to have, and your may be followed in a short time by a grain will go further and the health of thick, whitish, sticky discharge which your hogs will be better for having it. secure an abundance of water, then, is roots interfere with the plow, after is frequently tinged with blood. Small Neither is dishwater a very hearty nodules and ulcers are commonly seen food, and must never be made to take

these ulcers give the characters so no The water existing in the earth forms | ticeable in the discharge. The ulcers are characteristic of the disease. They insect, and a preventive of blight of ticles, which, in a surface which may first appear as small nodules which break down and form deep, pit-like ulloned by excessive evaporation from commonly stands on a level, with, per- cers with irregular and elevated edges. haps, slight differences determined by Frequently the ulcers are located in the day. Hence, when the water is local conditions of the soil. The func- the upper portion of the air passage drawn off the last of May, it should tion of drains is to remove that part and cannot be seen. The enlargement not all be drawn from the surface, but of this mass of water which lies so of the glands in intermaxillary space a little should be left to supply the near the surface as to be injurious to is another very important symptom, as plants with moisture and to tone down the cultivated crop. Now, if two drains they become nodular and appear as if the air at the surface of the marsh by of like depth are placed parallel in the attached to the bone. In acute glanevaporation, until after the fruit is set, earth to intercept a portion of the ders all the symptoms described in then it may gradually be drawn to the water contained, the following condi- connection with the chronic form bebottom of the ditches by picking time. tions relatively arise: The water below come more marked. Constitutional Ditching has two objects in view; to the drains, which cannot be with symptoms are marked from the begindrain the marsh when too wet, and to drawn by them, forms a resisting sub- ning. There is a rapid formation of supply it with water. The drainage stratum which prevents the further tubercles and ulcers, profuse discharge ditches should run at right angles with | sinking of the water above them. But | from nostrils, which is frequently tinged with blood, rise of temperature and general debility.

Cause.-The cause of glanders and dams to hold water on the higher por- specific gravity of the water, which im- farcy is a germ, known as the baciflus tions of the marsh in the earlier part pels it to sink toward the center of the malleus or glanders baccillus. The germ does not grow outside of the body main ditches at proper points, we can whole mass into the conduits, until a except in artificial culture media, but hold the water, if we have a supply, at level is reached, but this cannot take will retain its vitality for a considerable time under ordinary conditions. Treatment.-Spontaneous recovery

of glanders is possible, but not probportance, because it forms in the drain- abie. Medicinal agents have little if ed surface the foundation, so to say, any influence on the course of the disease, and for this reason, and very proper 7 so, it has come to be regarded as an incurable disease. In whatever form it may exist in an animal, from the mildest to the most acute, the animal is capable of infecting the premises and is dangerous to both man and beast. No stock owner should hesitate to destroy an animal when he is convinced that it is suffering from any of the forms of this disease. Slaughtered animals should be either burned or deeply buried. All articles that have been used about the animal should be disinfected or burned. Burn all litter from the stable, wash all the wood work with a solution of corrosive sublimate (one drachm to one galion of water) or 3 per cent solution of carbolic acid. A whitewash of chloride of lime is a very useful application to apply after the use of one of the above solutions. Allow all sunlight possible to reach the stalls and do not use for other animals for one or two

Strong Calves Only Raised. J. G. Morse of New York never

starts a calf that is not strong and healthy at birth, even though the calf is from the best cow he has. The first two weeks feed the calf milk fresh from the cow, and always give the caif the first milk from the cow, never the strippings, as these are too rich. When the calf is two weeks old, add about one-half sweet skim milk to its feed, and gradually increase this until it soon has only skim milk. When the little one is a month or six weeks old, it will begin to eat a little hay and bran or oats; let it have all the dry bran or whole oats it will eat, together with its skim milk twice a day. If p'enty of milk is lacking, one may make a gruel of oil meal; but begin he calf gets to eating a goo uantity of hay and grain, begin to dd water to the milk and gradually wean her, so that she may be turned out to grass, when she is allowed to look out for herself .- Rural New Yorker.

Proper Packing of Butter .- When

Some Hog Feeds .- Do not make a in the membrane of the nose, and the place of fresh, clean water .- Ex.

at hand, there is still work that requires care. In packing you should fitt in a little at a time and ram firmly. that no vacant space may remain. This phatic glands and vessels in the re- not only gives better results with the gion of the ulcers become swollen, ap- | shipment, but makes a saving in packages. Many factories, by carelessness several ulcers may form along the in packing, constantly leave large uncourse of these vessels. The disease is filled spots throughout the tub. Posvery often chronic in its course, the sibly some do this purposely with the symptoms disappending for a time, or expectation of filling the openings with it may terminate in either acute or brine, but all such evasions of honesty sconer or later come back on the per-Glanders is most frequently observ- petrator of the crime-for crime it

ACRICULTURAL BUILDING, TRANS-MISSISSIPPI EXPOSITION, OMAHA, NEBRASKA.



will be nucopias of vege-

sition's main building ad just west of adhered to. The yellow of corn. pur-The Agricul- ornament the colors of nature will be with spreading tail high. The main entrance is a hemi- Abundance, flag

buildings being erected for the trans- mion in one of the most important lar niche, and is central in the south sculptured subjects Mississippi Exposition to be held at frazes. The fitness which marks the facade. Smaller doors pierce the rtyl- representing the sign to the marble-lined poel, chasing the Omaha Theither side of the Admin- choice of motives throughout will ex- obate at intervals along the waole the Favorable Winds dodging fish round and round, until istration buttoms, stand "Mines" and tend to color decoration. The mass front. The ends have triple doors, and everywhere panels some unlucky victim of the right size and generation to the general old ivory with loggias above. A single dignified bear the names of patrolline into the mesh and the color decoration. slipped into the mesh and was all form, and the large tint of all the buildings, while in the order of architecture surmounts the ture, its celebrated invent stylobate, and is crowned with an en- propriate inscriptions. It is tablature that is elaborate even for if any exposition has yet given its ag the Twentieth street axis of the ple of grapes, red of apples and green the Corinthian style. The roofs are ricultural show as beautiful and elab Kountze tract, and faces south on the of foliage will predominate. The ef- low, showing only balustrades above orate a setting as this will be. W of chops while the little fellow waited. lagoon. Its architecture is free Re- fect will be enhanced by focussing. the cornice, except where broken by I had the curiosity, however, to inquire naissance with details conventional Thus the central niche will blaze with central and corner pavilions. The mo- lagoon, Agriculture and the price of this gastronomical luxury, in proportion and arrangement, but color, and here on either side of the notony of the sky-line is the administration Arch and all indicative doorway will be paintings, the "Sow- groups of statuary, appropriately rep- ing colonades will present the building. There er" and "Reaper" of Millet. The resenting the seasons, with Prosperity, of corn and wheat, structure is something over four hun- supported by Labor and Integrity, that the effect will be double dred feet long by about one hundred dominating the whole. Over the mare fection in the water at his feet. flowers. The strut- and fifty wide, and averages fifty feet entrance there will be a statue of good idea may be had of the sen by lesser figures, the coming display.

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Food Situation in Alaska.

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Desertion Actual Sec

Hambridge, Mr lowing description 6 v Grand street: At the corner, where tides of travel form an of pushcarts debouch darker side-street. In its torches burn with a fit wakes black shadows trusses of the railroad s head. A woman, with drawn tightly about head ders, bargains with a P

monkey on a stick and worth of flitter-gold. youngsters flatten their the frozen pane of the penny goldfish of po kol tightly in his hand tious glances right "e across the way to that ment, where a littl ing. "It's yer Ohr Thed says, and thrusts it sture

The black doorway round Across the parrowHere a Christmas tree sho grimy window-pane. Take are busily engaged fixing upon one of its branches candles that burn there upon a scene of utmos any inst there see lie which dest to fis across the room. Under it at a set with cracked and empty discouraged woman sits eyes children's show gloomily light mischief peaked faces of the little my petrels of famished look trimonial market. In fact, roya from the street are pulling it at her acqual

> "See, sister!" he pipes; "see Santa out of her stupor, gazes around her. and bursts into a fit of maudlin weep-

The door faills to. Five flights another opens upon a bare attic which a patient little woman ir to rights. There are only the hairs, a box, and a bedstead in the room, but they take a deal of careful arranging. The bed hides the broken in ter in the wall through which the w came in; each chair-leg stands a rat-hole, at once to hide it and ke the rats out. One is left, the boy for that. The plaster of the ceiling held up with pasteboard patches. know the story of that attic. It one of cruel desertion. The woman husband is even now living in plent with the creature for whom he forsest her, not a dozen blocks away, who she "keeps the home together for the children." She sought justice, but the lawyer demanded a retainer; so the gave it up and went back to her litter ones. For this room that barely keep the winter wind out she pays four dallars a month, and is behind with the rent. There is scarce bread in the house, but the spirit of Christmas has found her attic. Against a broken wall is tacked a hemlock branch, the leavings of the corner grocer's fittingblock; pink string from the packingtallow dip on the box furnishes the counter hangs on it in festoo illumination. The children sit up in bed, and watch it with shining eyes.

Twain Was Alive.

"We're having Christmas!"

A good story is being told about Mark Twain. Some time ago reports of his death in London were circ in Hartford, Conn., his American home, and Mr. Charles Dudley Warner cabled to a friend in London asking if news was true. The friend handed t cablegram to Twain himself, who cabled back: "Reports of my death

The Homeless of Varis Paris has, apart from two places where paupers can spend the night, 14 asylums for the homeless, which last year lodged 144,037 persons 15,557 were search and 2,606 Among the lodgers were 246 professors and teachers, 18 students, 5 auth-

Gave the Queen a Parasol.

Two men were crushed to death

THE STORY OF A LEAF

BY G. H.

Presently nurse came out carrying Baby Bob on one arm and the basket of luncheon on the other. She put Bob down beside his brother; then, spreading the white tablecloth on the grass, commenced to set out the good-Such a lot of nice things as mamma had gotten up for the occasion! There were sandwiches and tarts, candies and cakes, apples and nuts, besides sundry other delicacies too nu- feel lonely, and spying an oak tree merous to mention. It was not very standing near, on which the leaves long before the sharp eyes of the lit- still remained, it took advantage of the tle folks spied the attractions waiting next breath of air to waft itself into Asiatic railway in Manchuria." for them, which was a signal for a its neighbor's branches, where it general suspension of games, and with lodged in safety, one accord they all hastened to the

rural feast. When gathered around, Malcolm at much." the head and nurse at the foot to assaid it was "fit to set before a king"not a very original remark; but Tom's Mother Goose days had not been so long past, and the rest thought it a deserved compliment.

"Yeth, indeed," lisped saucy Madge: "I with we could alwayth take our din- laughed in derision at this idle boast. ner out here-everything tasths so

much better than indoors.' The children laughed and chatted, the baby crowded and the nurse looked on, well pleased to see their happy faces and listen to their praises of the sweet morsels they were dispatching. Overhead the leaves of the old beech rustled their approbation of the merry scene, seeming to enjoy the sport as much as the partakers themselves. From the furthermost twig of a bough. quite near the ground, there hung one almost within reach, which Bob, perched upon nurse's shoulder, was origr thing always managed to fluttiny fingers. Tom watched his efforts, Its parent's branches, an amused spectator, and at last, when his patience exhausted, the baby screamed angrily at the provoking ground, saying: "Never mind, Bob. you shall have it-so you shall." but ise Malcolm stopped him.

flowers and such things can feel."

for they always minded Malcolm. Pour itself safe among its fellows. boy, he was lame, and although the Here it lay during the long winter. was not strong and active like the crest of his brothers and sisters.



TELLING THE STORY. to repeat one of his tales if they would listen to him. Of course they would Was there ever a time when they didn't? So the remains of the "party" were quickly stowed away in the basket, a circle of eager expectants

formed, and Malcolm began. The leaves listened to the interesting recital, and when the "dangers" and "adventures" were passed and the story ended with the good being rewarded and the bad punished, followed the cheer the children gave by a grand fourish to signify their approval also But I don't believe the little mortals understood it in that way; they only thought it was the wandering wind straying through the branches which had put them in motion. There was one which danced about longer than aved from its would-be destroyers. and was trying to express its gratitude o its preserver. How it trembled and hivered when it thought of its narow escape. "It was more than a halltorm," it whispered to its mates. After a while the boys and girls ent off to play again, the leaves renmenced their old game of hide nd seek with the sunbeams, and Mulm was left alone once more He sat upon the bench against the tree and cut his name in

oth bark olm D and it look one year power with fall out there save the dismens

When a Manche ber merchant was into lengths he came : in the wood an inch an. eter. When this was c displayed the clearly mari. a bird, which the merchant ous enough to have photoga phed sent to the Strand Magazine.

An authority says that Senator Hill has no equal as a political leader. That may he true, but latterly he has led arrying the pall at the tall of the

past, stripping them off from their parent's boughs in a merciless manner. only one solitary little leaf remaining she Ins Twenty Warships Equipped and of the many the brave old beech had possessed. It was that which Baby Bob was after the day of the picnic. "Ah!" it sighed, "my brothers and sisters have forsaken me; they were always dissatisfied with being held so close at home; now they have a fine

Some followed the wind on its on-

By-and-by our little leaf began to

stiffly "Why did you not hold fast as we

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said. The poor little leaf, thus repulsed ly somewhat boisterous in its disposiits companions under the old beech ter away and clude the grasp of his old acquaintance, born and reared in

"Oh, Mr. Squirrel," it cried, me back to my mates, I beseech you!" Immediately the squirrel stopped before he could make good his prom- summer friends in the outcast stranger he quickly recovered himself, and will forget all about it pretty soon- he was through with breakfast. So he would only pull it to pieces any- when he had finished the nut he bow or leave it to wither, and some- seized it in his sharp teeth, gave two how I always imagine that leaves and or three sharp jumps over the ground. reached the beech, relinquished his Tom sat down again without a word. hold, and at last our poor waif found

The heavens went in compassion, and the tears fell to the earth, soaking it But he could tell the most beautiful through and through. Then the snow Japan will not be quick to enter the stories about fairles, giants and other came and covered it up, kindly hiding controversy, but will maintain an inwonderful things; and now he offered from sight the ragged, shapeless lit- dependent attitude for the present. tle thing which was all that remained of the once beautiful leaf.

When spring returned and the grass again beneath the old beech tree's shade. It had a lovely new set of leaves now, and the feet of the little mortals trod heedlessly over the place where one of last summer lay buried; but it could not feel-it was quite

'Malcolm's an angel now!" and the rest hushed their merry voices and followed her gaze, thinking, perhaps, 'o plerce in heaven, whither

place," August 29.-Poultney Bigelow in Harper's Weekly.

Old Aunt Dinah was a colored woman with a remarkable strong voice who the would sing and ery "glory" with such vigor as to be heard above all

NEWS FROM JAPAN.

Ready for War.

from Shanghai, dated yesterday, says: will be no starvation at Dawson City over twenty warships is waiting near formed of the action being taken by Goto island, outside Nagasaki fully the United States government to send equipped for war, and only waiting a relief expedition to that place they instructions. This includes the Yas- said it was unnecessary and uncalled kima and the Fuil two of the finest for. vessels in the Japanese navy, and the of catching up with the birds. Some Chen Yuen, which was captured from flew to the housetop and settled in the China. The Japanese fleet, it is un- there is an unlimited supply of prohave a fine chance for observation, the British squadron under Vice Adboats of themselves, embarked on a Japan will certainly oppose a permavoyage of discovery over the rippling nent Russian occupation of Port Arwaters, while the rest, less ambitious, thur. The sudden dissolution of the worrying less over the food supply dropped silently upon the grass be- Japanese diet was owing to the war spirit. It is expected that the Japanese fleet will attempt to prevent the it is estimated, about \$150,000 in dust landing of reinforcements from Odessa for the protection of the Russian traus-

London, Dec. 29.—A special dispatch "Please give me shelter," it said; has anchored at Port Hamilton. The 'you are so strong and can stand so dispatch says that a Japanese fleet has have arrived at Port Hamilton.

failure of the premier, Marquis Saigo, to reconstruct the cabinet, all the members of the cabinet have resigned. of a very strong ministry, capable of coping with the situation in the east.

and he feels that while the resigna- dike. tions may have been tendered, the eninever will not accept them unless it Japanese war, and it is not believed be may again assume the premiership if the emergency should demand it. The premier up to this time, with Marquis sentiment in Japan for a strong min- The list is as follows: istry capable of coping with the situation in the east is one of the first inposes of his government, Mr. Hosni is taken instead of coffee. expresses the personal conviction that

London, Dec. 29.-A dispatch from Kobe, Japan, says the dissolution of the diet has greatly angered the po-Marquis Ito, former premier, and Count Okoma, a former foreign minister, will form a coalition ministry. with a vigorous foreign policy. The military party is eager for action. Extraordinary activity prevails at the military and naval depots, and warships are assembling at Nagusaki.

COTTON MILL TROUBLE

The Operatives are still Talking of Going on a Strike.

imously adopted by the committee:

have to go to the extremity of leaving our employment by going on strike.

The feeling among the leaders last night was strong against the reduction. While the committee offers the resolution, there is a possibility they will not accept. The spinners, slashers, tenders and loom-fixers especially may so vote at the meeting on Thursday night.

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, Harstay where I am myself." Ax and Tool Company Organized.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 19.—Eighty per

ad bave

States have consolidate!

in search of contraband Burdy, and was stabbed

Barbourville, Ky., D c. 29.—Reliable news has been received here of a triple killing at Manche ster. The victims were Will Burdy James Philpot and Bog Gregory. The saloon row between y were killed in a saloon row between Burdy and Philpot. All had be an drinking, and pot rose, drew a revol ag her coal from one bunker wounded Gregory.

each receiving fatal w

AUSTRIA'S PREMIER.

able and impartial manner in which he

BARON GAUTSCH.

struction, where his talents gained him

rapid advancement. In 1881 he was

honored by being chosen director of

the Theresianum Academy. In 1885

he was made minister of war and

public instruction, one of the most im-

portant positions in the cabinet. He

was then only 34 years old, and it is

said that no other man has received

this appointment at so early an age.

In 1893 he retired from the cabinet

with Count Taffee, but was again

chosen to the same office in 1895 under

the premiership of Count Badeni. One

of the most conspicuous of his services

is the reform of instruction in the

high schools and universities. He mar-

ried the daughter of Schlumberger, the

celebrated wine grower. Their eldest

daughter was married a few weeks ago

to Baron Klein, secretary of the pro-

vincial government of Moravia, the

wedding being an especially brilliant

event in Vienna society. The baron

Oregon's Traveling Mountain.

basalt on the Columbia river nearly

2,000 feet in height and stretching

along the stream for six or eight miles.

When the white settlers first came

into the country the Indians told them

this mountain was traveling; that some

day it would move across the Colum-

bia and form a lake which would

reach from the cascades to the dalles.

What the Indians said has been found

true in some respects. The mountain

is in motion. Its movement is forward

and downward. The railroad builders

who constructed their line along the

base found the tracks continually

Germs Killed by Heat.

sunlight, especially of the blue to the

ultraviolet rays, upon bacteria in win-

abundant infection of the same waters

in winter. Pasteur and Miguel found

that the germs floating in the air are,

for the most part, dead-killed, the

author holds, by the sun. Yeasts which

normally vegetate on the exterior of

ripening grapes are destroyed, accord-

ing to Martinaud, if the heat be very

intense, and Guinti has observed that

ing place. The dirt furnishes it food.

absorbs heat to increase the warmth.

nd and foot.

In view of the destructive effect of

There is a mountain of dack-brown

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 29.-The steamer Aika arrived here yesterday, bringing advices from Dawson City up to Nov. London, Dec. 29.—A special dispatch | 25. The Alki's passengers say there It is reported a Januanese fleet of this winter or next spring. When in- He to a Middle-of-the-Roader, and Is

Several thousand men have gone from Dawson to Fort Yukon, where eaves, where, no doubt, they would derstood, is acting in close touch with visions. Those remaining in Dawson have been eating regular meals every Others danced along the ground to the miral Sir Alexander Bullock, com- day, and have enough in sight to last brink of the lake, and, making sail- mander-in-chief on the China station. well along in the spring. No starvation is reported at Dawson, and everybody there is in much better condition and than their friends on the outside.

The Aika's passengers brought out, and nuggets.

Washington, Dec. 29.-Tht Canadian minister of interior, Mr. Sefton, and his secretary. Mr. McKenna, were welfrom Shanghai says the British fleet comed upon their arrival at their hotel vesterday morning by Assistant Secretary Meiklejohn of the war departalso arrived at Port Hankiton. An ment, and welcomed in the name of But the oak leaves were very evening paper says a private telegram Secretary Alger. They were driven churlish at this request and rustled received in London yesterday an- around the suburbs, including the Solnounces that over twenty warships diers' home ground, until noon, when Secretary Alger, who had arisen from Yokohama, Dec. 29.-Owing to the his sick bed for the purpose, entertained his visitors at luncheon. It is learned that Mr. Sefton, in accepting Secretary Alger's invitation to come to The newspapers demand the formation | Washington for the purpose of consulting respecting Klondike relief measures, telegraphed that his govern-Washington, Dec. 29.—The Japanese | ment was heartily in favor of co-operminister has not yet been advised of ating with the United States in the the resignation of the entire cabinet, effort to aid the miners in the Klon-

The expected conference between Secretary Alger and Mr. Sefton did not becomes apparent that an entirely new take place yesterday. Secretary cabinet under Marquis Ito can be Alger had overrated his strength, and framed. Ito has been in private life found he was not sufficiently recovered much of the time since the notable from his illness to undertake the work achievements during the China- of arranging details of the relief expedition. The Canadian visitors are is strong with all parties, however, and days, however, so that the conference has the people behind him, so that he is simply postponed for a short time,

Capt. Brainard has been authorized to issue the contract to-day for the Yokohama dispatch refers to Marquis sapplies that are to be carried on the leaf, he sprang from his seat upon the eating, and glanced down in surprise Saigo as the present premier, which is relief expeditions. The list of articles at the leaf, whose voice had startled said at the legation to be an inse- to be carried has been arranged with him; but upon perceiving one of his curacy, as Marquis Matsugata has been the greatest care, only the most vitally necessary food articles, which com-Suigo as minister of marine. The bine resistance to cold and decay, with "Don't touch it. Tom," he said; "Bob promised to carry it home as soon as reference in the dispatch to the public great nutritive value, being selected.

List No. 1 includes absolutely indispensable articles, and is made up of timations direct from Japan that she bacon, flour, pea meal, dessicated may take a hand in the controversy onions, tea, salt and pepper. It will centering in China. While he has re- be noticed that in food value onions ceived no official advices as to the pur- are set ahead of potatoes and that tea

Both potatoes and coffee are provided for in List No. 2, which is made up of articles that are to be carried in addition to those in the first list, if there is accommodation for them. This list is: Dried fruit (apples, prunes or raisins), dessicated potatoes and coffee. If the transportation facilities are equal to a still further load, then the articles in List No. 3 will be added, as follows: Fresh meat in cans, sugar and tobacco.

From the advices of the Canadians, it is likely that Shaguay will be chosen instead of Dyea as the terminal port of the relief expedition, because Shaguay has wharves at which the ships can discharge cargoes directly.

Mr. Sefton said last night that he hoped to conclude his visit within the next two days and that there was no Fall River, Mass. Dec. 29.-The doubt the two governments would is tall and fine looking, with a handoperatives' conference committee was make an arrangement which would be tome face. His hair was gray before in session two hours last night, after mutually beneficial in extending relief he was 35. executive committee meetings of the to the Klondikers. The minister's atvarious unions had been held. See- tention was called to reports that Canretary O'Donnell gave out the follow- ada might not be willing to co-operate ing resolution, which had been unan- in the use of the military arrangements as provided by the bill which re-Resolved, that we accept the reduc- cently became a law. He said, howtion, as it would not be good business ever, that he apprehended no difficoncerned. This occurred to me as I policy on our part to enter into a culty in that direction, as the only strike at present, but we inform our purpose of the two governments was employers that as soon as we think to effect the relief in the most feasible

The Durrant Case. San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 29 .- Yesterday afternoon the supreme court denied the application of the attorneys for W. H. T. Durrant, the condemned forced out of place. In some places murderer of Blanche Lamont, for a the movement has amounted to eight writ of probable cause. It was con- and ten feet in a few years. Geologists tended by Durrant's counsel that Judge attribute the phenomenon to the fact Bahrs erred in having fixed the date that the mountain rests on a subtalk strike, and it is possible that they for the execution of their client within stratum of conglomerate, or of soft less than sixty days after the date up- sandstone, which is steadily being on which he was recommitted to the washed away by the current of the big custody of the warden of San Quentin "iver. prison. The supreme court, however, after hearing the points relied upon for reversal, denied the petition unanimously.

ter, Professor H. Marshall Ward would Edward J. Ratcliffe, an actor, was explain the comparative freedom of ry, for after I eat them I can hardly sentenced a few days ago to the pen- waters under the blazing hot summer itentiary for striking his wife. sun from bacteria, as against the more

After Millionaires. New York, Dec. 29 .- J. W. Harris, a North Carolina negro, was arraigned on the charge of sending threatening letters to William K. Vanderbilt, Charles Broadway Rouss, John Wanamaker, and other prominent men. The letters demanded money under threat of personal violence, and al- the ingress of sunlight hinders acetic leged the writer was a member of a fermentation. When the typhoid bacsociety formed to extort relief from illus falls into turbid, dirty water in millionaires at any price. As no one summer it finds a congenial propagatappeared to prosecute Harris, he was committed to the workhouse as a va-

and keeps off the hostile blue and violet A Springfield reporter has discovered that confirmed athletic habits, encouraged by the example of successive college football games in town, have resulted in a notable increase in the pot. All had be an drinking, and Philpot called upon Bardy to stand the size of At the cade on board. Yesterday gang of negroes were size of the femin

INFLUENCE OF THE VOICE. Soft and Musical Speech One of

man's Createst Charms. A NEW MAN AT THE HELM OF Eleanor Morton Parker, writing of THE EMPIRE. "The Voice" in the December Woman's Home Companion, says:

"It has long been conceded that t pleasant voice is one of woman's great-Not a Strong Character Individually -est charms. And many of us can veri-Has Admirers on All Sides, Howfy this truth for ourselves by recallever, and May Succeed. ing the sweet influence of some woman, who like the lovely Cordella, ARON GAUTSCH spake in accents soft and low. A pret-VON FRANKENty face and a musical voice go well THURN, the new together, but of the two the latter is premier of Austria. preferable. The power of a truly good is recognized by all woman possessing such a gift cannot parties as the man be overestimated, especially if she is best able to master refined and intellectual. Her harmothe present situanious tones fall with a restful cadence tion. He did not upon the ear of the invalid. They are espouse the cause peace for the weary, balm for the sorof any one faction. rowful, and are frequently more effiand because of the cacious than a sermon in touching the

obdurate hearts of the wayward. discharged his duties as minister of "On the contrary, we sometimes public instruction under the premierfind rare beauty of feature seriously ship of Count Badeni, he enjoys the marred by the incongruity of a disconfidence of all. His wide knowledge agreeable voice. It is said of the Emof affairs and his diplomatic methods press Eugenie that the stranger was recommended him to the high position enraptured with her wonderful beauto which he has been appointed. It ty, but the moment she spoke an adis thought that he will devise some miration was forgotten in the unpleasamicable means of patching up the exant sensation caused by her harsh isting differences of the German and Spanish voice. American women as Bohemian speaking people of the ema rule are not blessed with particularpire. The baron is one of the most ly musical voices. The colds, catarrh scholarly men of the empire and an and bronchial trouble to which the orator of no mean ability. His speeches sudden changes of our climate subject before parliament have always attractus more or less affect the vocal ored a throng. He is the author of sevgans. In fact, soft, rippling utterance seems to belong more generally to ecstasy at something eral legal works. The people love him and delight to refer to him as a selflands of eternal summer. Yet any proves to be a milkmade man. His father was a captain woman, no matter how great her nat- driver, horses, and cangi woman, no matter how great her nat-ural defects may be, can, with few unloaded. It is someth can grasp. One con of police in the City of Vienna. The son was educated at the famous Theresianum Academy, which was founded becoming key, and by proper care and by Empress Marie Therese, and beexercise cultivate distinct, well-modufore the revolution in 1848 was attendlated tones. And it is her duty to do ed only by the sons of noble families. so, since nothing will more certainly In 1873 he entered official service in bring upon her social ostracism than the department of war and public inneglect in this regard.

"We are tired of being taunted by foreigners with our boisterous, loudtalking girls and women, when we know that many of those who make ment of the rear hay and such unfavorable impressions upon strangers are at heart kind, gentle and refined. Let us hope that with the present movement for physical culture and voice culture and every other kind of culture, the noisy, garrulous woman of The room is black with street-car and watering-place fame dirt. In the middle of the will have soon passed away, and in an oil-stove that serves her stead come a being who will not | take the raw edge off the cole converse as though every one within the meals by. Half the wind hearing were deaf, and she were are broken, and the holes stuff bound to finish the sentence she is rags. The sleeve of an old coa ent on uttering that very moment or out of one, and beats dreatly never. There is no greater assurance the sash when the wind swee of a happy home than a calm, well- the fence and rattles the rotter regulated voice, and the woman who ters. The family wash, clama possesses it has won half the victory gray, hangs on a clothesline and toward social and domestic success."

ROYALTY TO BE MATED. A Russian Grand Duchess Is Looking

for a Suitable Husband. of the czar, the Grand Dichess Helene third and infant, but to bed is not likely long to remain in the ma was once a baby carriage. The matchmakers have already begun to get the tree in range. The cast about for a suitable husband for sees it, and crows with delight. her hightess. Her father is the Grand boy shakes a branch, and the go Duke Vladimir, brother of the late fish leaps and sparkles in the candle Emperor Alexander, and her mother light. is the Grand Duchess Marie, born of Mecklenburg, a family which has sup- Claus!" And they clap their hands in plied several consorts to the reigning glee. The woman at the table wakes house in Russia. The Grand Duchess Marie is a clever and intellectual woman. There is little of the typical high- ing. bred Russian about the young grand duchess. In fact, she resembles an English girl, and, like most English girls, spends much of her time in in-



dulging in outdoor sports. Like most Russians, she is extremely fond of music, and during her frequent visits to Paris with her parents she is often allowed to accompany them to the opera. As it is the Russian custom for the daughters of the imperial house to appear at public festivities at a much earlier age than are the children of other royal families, the grand duchess has already appeared at many of the state functions of the court and has created a decidedly favorably impres-

Too Many Monuments. A Washington correspondent of the

Nashville American says that a party of Southern gentlemen recently visited the national capital for a week of sight seeing. As they turned into Pennsylvania avenue they found themselves next to a saloon. "Let's take a drink." said one of the party. "We have just had one," said another. "It would be a good idea to settle on how often we shall take a drink during our week's stay," said the third. "Well," said the first, who just then caught sight of the ever-visible Washington monument, "let's take a drink every time we see the monument." "I'm agreed." said N. 2, "providing we don't take one any oftener." "It suits me," said No. 3. "providing we do take one every ors, 5 journalists, 120 actors and sing-time we see it." They were faithful ers, 30 musicians and 16 music teachto their plight. But they and 't stay ers. a week. Instead, they took the four o'clock train that afternoon for New York, one of them remarking to the conductor as they boarded it: "Mosh shingler town. Everybody gone daft on Geor Washton. Put up monument to him every shtreet corner. Georgie mush been-hic-bully boy."

"I don't believe there is any Maie Then you're an

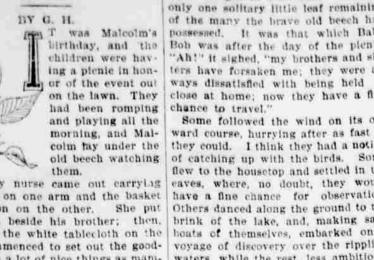
say.

grossly exaggerated; Mark Twain."

ors, 5 journalists, 120 actors and sing-

The only gift the queen of England ever accounted from a private subject was the cream solored parasol carried by her on diamond jubille day. It was presented to her by the Right Honorable Charles Villiers, still the father of the house of commons."

Crushed by Falling Bridge. while working on a treatle chester, Ky. A fre



ward course, hurrying after as fast as they could. I think they had a notion neath the tree and lay still and quiet.

have done?" they answered. "It will take a pretty stiff breeze to loosen And they rattled defiantly at the whistling wind; but the wind "Wait and see-wait and see!" he

fluttered disconsolately to the ground. Here it lay for some time, sighing sadly at its fate, till the wind, who was not so hard-hearted after all, ontion, took pity on its forlorn condition and tried its best to whisk it back to But it was too low-spirited to raise itself up, and so the roving fellow passed on and left it. Before long a brisk young squirrel came hopping by little leaf at once recognized him as an is ready to return to the cabinet. He to remain in Washington for a few rainly trying to catch; but the pretty, and stopped to crack a nut near. The

grew green the children came to play litical parties. It is probable that dead.

Tom was there, and Bob and Madge: but there was one of the numper missing, and when Madge read the letters on the bark-"Malcolm D---, aged fourteen"-there were tears in her eyes. Turning them toward the far-off sky, she whispered:

rother had gone.

Were Poorer Then.

Europe must have seemed a rather onesome place at the beginning of this century, so far as Americans are glanced over the list of guests who frequented Carlsbad in the summer of 1819. I could find but one American, there is a margin of profit sufficient way possible. one David Parish, who was United for the restoration of the present States consul at that time, and dwelt scale we shall demand it, even if we at the sign of the "Melon on the Green." The burgermeister of Carlsbad had kindly placed the town records at my disposal, and I made a note of one or two curious things. Today Americans come to Carlsbad by the thousands every year, and English is almost the prevailing language among shopkeepers and hotel people. In 1819 the total number of guests was 2,000; this year it was more than 40,000. iny; it was that one Malcolm had Then it had only four doctors, whereas now more than 300 are occupied. One entry tells us that "Herr J. Wolfang von Goethe, Grand Ducal Saxon Privy Councillor and Minister of State from Weimer, is lodged at the sign of the "Three Moors," on the market-

A Pertinent Question.

cent of the edged tool manufacturers



on Pribyloff Islands.

e. 31. The secretary of congress signed Wedbiting the taking of seal

ons provide that no seal ssed, dyed or otherwise shall be admitted to enfrom seals killed withmentioned in said act. ite, the date of such pur- Spain seems utterly unable to realize. lot number. It is furinited States consuls.

manufactured in whole

ped thereon the name of cturer and the place of and shall be accompanied ent in writing, under oath, ufacturer that the skins id article was taken from lled at sea/within the preentioned waters, specifying in detail, and also the perwhom said skins were purtheir raw and dressed state, said purchase and the lot It is also provided that polication is made to a concertificate under these reguthe invoice and proofs of orisented by the exporter shall be for the purpose of investigation. anufactured articles from seal parture, which certificate we have aleady made fearful sacri-

this country. ssistant Secretary Howell said that wither the law nor the regulations garments made of skins which were morning, December 29, the time the

PREPARING FOR WAR.

act was signed by the president.

British Fleet of Eight Ships and Fou Torpedo Boat Arrived at Chemulpo.

London, Dec. 31.-A dispatch from

hghai dated Thursday says: British fleet of eight ships and prpedo boats has arrived at Che-(the port of Seoul). It is rethat there are two Japanese s in the Yang Tse Kiang river. is working night and day prearing for war. It is believed that the itish and Japanese fleets are in close A dispatch from Tokio says Marquis

is forming a cabinet. According to a dispatch from Nagas-

, dated Thursday, it is believed Maris Ito will aim to maintain a peaceul attitude.

Receiver Appointed Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 31.-Last

night a meeting was held of attorneys representing the creditors of the Krag-Reynolds company, which recently the Union Trust company was agreed from the rays. upon as receiver. his morning the suit of the First

nal Bank of Chicago for the rev the court.

Young Lady Murdered.

Cincinnati, O., Dec. 31.-A Millwood wed, and struck her a heavy blow on the neck, killing her instantly. Me-Coy is described as a man of violent temper. He has not been arrested.

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 31.-Mrs. Isabelle M. Durrant and Wm. Durrant, mother and father of Theodore Durrant, have brought suit for slander ex-Juror Symthe and demand 60 damages from him. The com-Gen. John H. Dickinson and W. W. lngs, which were retail stores, were to-Foote are the attorneys representing tally destroyed. Loss so far as estithe Durrants in the litigation. The suit grows out of remarks made by Symthe about Durrant, whom he ac- iiy. A flerce gale amounting almost to cused of being a moral monster.

Military Affairs Committee. New Orleans, La., Dcc. 31.-The congressional committee on military affairs arrived yesterday from Vicksburg, en route back to Washington, or which place they will leave on Saty night. They have been investiquestion of purchasing land d park around Vicksburg. wiet in which the op-Vicksburg were

New York, Dec. 31 .- A correspon-Prohibited from Taking dent has just returned to Havana after having visited the camp of Gen. Gomez. After a long and perilous ride through with the approval of country infested with Spanish troops has issued regulations he reached Gen. Gomez's camp on De cember 18 and found the general in excellent health and spirits. He was erican citizens except on able for the first time in many months islands, and inhibiting to mount his horse and make a long into this country of pe- journey of inspection of the various camps into which the men under his immediate command were divided.

The correspondent put before Gen. Gomez the programme of general aued States except there tonomy, in order to secure his opinion. the invoice a certificate The general smiled contemptuously inited States consul at after glancing over a copy of a Havana oriation that said skins paper containing the terms, and said: "There is no use in wasting time in discussing these terms. It makes no detail the locality of difference whether they may be rewhether on land or at garded as liberal or not. The fact the person from whom remains that we are not fighting for purchased in their raw autonomy, but for independence. This

"We have been told that the autonthat no fur seal skins, omy offered is an act of liberality by eved or otherwise manu- the mother country to induce the pabe admitted to entry as triots in arms to resume their allegisenger's personal effects ance to Spain. That is worse than board therefore proposes a decrease of anied by an invoice cer- folly; it is an insuit to the men fight- the capital under the statutes to \$408,ing for freedom. There is not in the | 000. , whether raw, dressed, Cuban army one officer so base as to rwise manufactured, the accept such terms. We will not even hich are not accompanied listen to any overtures, and any per- cattle in order to avail of the high certificate are directed to son entering our camps for such a pur- prices which have prevailed during the collector of customs pose will be put to death in accord- past six months. From these recent ance with my general orders."

Continuing, Gen. Gomez said that he m fur seals to be import- had no faith in the ability of Spain to is equal to \$5 a share upon the out-United States is required implant autonomy, even in the sec- standing stock. The company is free tions under Spanish control, but from indebtedness of any kind. whether she succeeded or not was of no moment to the men in the field, who generally considered inapt and as it would continue to fight, animated by a may embark in the business of devellove of freedom and in absolute confi- oping by irrigation a very large tract and treaty arrangements under the dence of ultimate success.

> for his opinion as to American inter- to be for the best interests of the Canada. This abstention on the part vention and the annexation of Cuba to stockholders and as convenient in of Mr. Kasson is attributed to the facthe United States. He replied that in- marking the new career of the comtervention does not necessarily imply pany under the reduced capitaliza- simple, as described in the tariff act. annexation.

"I would gladly accept the former, as I would accept aid from any quarter, although I believe if left alone we will achieve our own independence unaided, and I am loath that we should be robbed of any share of the honor of tted to the treasury agent desig- the expulsion of the Spaniards. "As far as annexation is concerned

I can not admit its possibility. To and imported into the United that proposition I make the same reply shall have the linings so ar- as I do to the autonomy plan—that our that the pelt of the skin or object is independence. We have underneath shall be exposed for among us young men who have sacriination by customs officers. All ficed everything to this sacred cause. ents of this character taken from For myself, I am an old man, who now centry may be re-entered on pre- has but one object in life, and that is of a certificate of ownership to see the flag of Cuba supreme from elector of customs from the Cape Maysi to San Antonio.

been obtained the owner fices, and we stand ready to make two Americans, Senor Madrigal and may be negotiated will become effective garmen carring the same to more in order to achieve this glorious Mr. Scovel, were on their way to in-United States will never beat us in this, the hour of victory,"

Asked what his views were on an would be made to apply to skins or American protectorate over the isianu, Gen. Gomez replied that he had no obshipped to the United States and were jection, believing it would carry a actually on the ocean Wednesday guarantee of peace at home with the respect of all nations, and would permit Cuba to work out her destiny under the most favorable conditions. In return he believes that Cuba should, in her commerce, favor the United States above all nations.

Gen. Gomez refused the overtures basing his refusal on the conviction that Spain could not hold out two years longer. Gen. Gomez expressed himself as well satisfied with the present condition of affairs. He said also that he was grateful for President Mc-Kinley's invitation to American citizens to render relief to helpless Cu-

X-Ray Experiments.

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 31.-In a letter received by a physician of this city from George Arestell, the noted French physician and surgeon, Apostell says he has discovered the secret of preventing the evil effects which usually ensue from the application of the X-Ray. He says that he simply connects the machine with the ground by a metallic circuit. Under that system he has turned the X-Ray upon hundreds of patients and in not one went into voluntary assignment, and has there been any deleterious effects

Washington, Dec. 31.-The meeting the trustee, will be dismissed. of the American Chemical society was company will be appointed concluded yesterday. The chief business transacted was the election of thirty-seven active and two associate members. The new members nearly all hold important positions in the W. Va., special says news is received large manufacturing concerns of the there that James McCoy of Mud Run, world, and the list, while largely connear Ripley, killed his sister-in-law, fined to the United States, includes al-Miss Shamblin, by a blow of his fist. most every country from England to He had forbidden her to go to school Fiji islands. The delegates were rebut she took her books and started. He ceived by President McKinley yester-

> The British steamer Harrow has parted amidship off Nieuwe Diep.

Business Houses Burned. Nashville, Tenn., Dec. 31 .--- A teleside of the public square will be defaint was sworn to by Mr. Durrant. stroyed. All the contents of the buildmated at \$60,000. The fire started at midnight and has been burning stead-

"There," he said, as he finally turned the key in the lock; "there is an example of patient mental effort." "It looked to me," she thoughtfully, mere brute force." But then she was only his wife.

sald Skynflint. "So I have heard," answered Gobang; "and you stem to have started

UNION BEEF COMPANY.

A Large Body of Land in Texas May be

Irrigated. fixed at \$15,000,000 because that was department. the amount of shares of its predeces-

\$13,600,000, is out of all proportion to the value of its assets. It is also unquestionable that this excessive capitalization operates injuriously to stockholders in commercial affairs and results in the district of the public as well as in excessive taxation. The

"V: also desire to advise you that the company has marketed most of its sales the company will soon have on hand about \$700,000 in cash, which sum

"The name of the company is quite

CUBAN NEWS.

ceived by Gen. Gomez.

Havana, Dec. 30 .- Many friends of Senor Canalejas and Mr. Sylvester ery of Sir Julian would permit active Scovel, yesterday went to the railroad steps on the British-American treaty station to meet them and were greatly of arbitration. There is no present disappointed at their non-arrival. They prospect, however, that anything will are confidently expected to-day. News be done on that subject and up to this has arrived here ahead of them that time, no negotiations have been Mr. Scovel is back from the field af- opened between the ambassador and ter having presented President Mc- the state department. Both govern-Kinley's letter to Gen. Maximo Gomez. ments have signified a favorable atti-

sentenced to death appears to have but the British government will take sent word to Gen. Gomez's camp that surance is at hand that such treaty as Gomez, enraged, directed that both be Salisbury, on the Bering sea question envoys from Secretary Sherman, act- as this declination was foreshadowed Ohio. ing under orders of President McKin- with certainty as to the answer of Sir ley, he instructed that they be re-

sul at Sancti Spiritus) explained to merely adds the imperial and official Gen. Gomez that President McKinley sanction to this declination of the Cain accordance with a promise to Spain andian authorities. As the Russoto use his friendly influence with the Japanese-American treaty, made sevinsurgents to bring the war to an end, eral weeks ago for the stoppage of pehad selected himself (Senor Madrigal) lagic sealing, was conditioned on the and Mr. Scovel to carry out the mission. He then presented Secretary Sherman's letter to Gen. Gomez. The latter had the same translated for him treaty. and gave orders that the commissioners should be treated with all consideration. He fixed an appointment for the following day, promising during the interval to confer with the Cuban government with reference to the action to be taken.

The following morning Gen. Gomez assured Senor Madrigal and Mr. Scovel that he was much pleased with the interest shown by the American government in the welfare of the island of Cuba and that he would reply to President McKinley through the representative of the Cuban government at Washington as he (Gen. Gomez) was not allowed to correspond directly with foreign powers.

It is understood that Senor Canalejas is returning to Havana for good. having giving up his proposed visit to eastern Cuba.

Port au Prince, Dec. 30 .- At 11 o'clock Tuesday night a fire which assumed considerable proportions on account of the lack of water to supply the pumps, broke out and destroyed warehouses, a hotel, the church of St. Joseph and its parsonage. About 3000 people were rendered homeless. Yesterday morning at 6:40 o'clock there was an earthquake, the disturbance running from north to south, lasting half a minute and causing slight

The American steamer Soledad sank off the port of Mantanzas, recently.

Typograpical Union Sued.

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 30 .- A suit to test the right of a union to force has commenced here. Fred Hess has sued the Typographical union for \$25,-000 damages. Hess was in charge of the linotype machines on a local paper. He-applied for membership in the that he had not served an apprentice ship. The union demanded his dis-

The Lucigert Trial.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 30.-Unable to convince the court that the prosecution Allen was paragraphed yesterday by Gov. in the Luetgert case should furnish Jones on the remarked, "like a coarse example of the defense with a duplicate steno- ponitentiary physician, who certified graphic report of the evidence on ac- that Allen is, count of the inability of Luetgert to Allen was sent to the prison in May, pay for stenographers, the attorneys 1895, for ten years for horse stealing. for the big sausage manufacturers yes. He will be remembered as the myste terday commenced trying to take a rious "Arkant verbatim report of the testimony in with the fambous H. H. Holmes case. tong hand. The consequence u is that Allen if raid who if raid who if raid who if acquair

The Sealing Question.

Washington, Dec. 30.-Sir Julian Paunceforte, the British ambassador, has about recovered from a long and New York, Dec. 30.-A special meet- painful attack of rheumatism, which ng of the stockholders of the Western has kept him in bed for a good part of Union Beef company, whose local office the last three months. The fact that is No. 33 Wall street, has been called he was able to call at the state departfor February 28 for the purpose of au- ment yesterday led to reports that cothorizing a reduction of the capital incident with Lord Salisbury's declinastock from \$15,000,000 to \$403,000 and tion of the proposition to stop pelagic changing the name to the Western scaling, Sir Julian had renewed recip-Live Stock and Land company. In a rocity negotiations. His call, howevcircular to the stockholders, George W. er, had no significance, as Sir Julian Baxter, president of the company, says did not know of Lord Salisbury's anthat the capital stock was originally swer at the time he visited the state

As to the reciprocity negotiations, sor, the American Cattle Trust and up- they have progressed steadily through on the reorganization it was conven- Mr. Adams, first secretary of the emient to retain the same capitalization. bassy, and Sir Julian will now be able President Baxter's circular continues: to give the matter personal attention. "It is now, however, manifest that The main desire of the British West the outstanding stock of this company, Indian colonies is to secure the 20 per cent reciprocity reduction on sugar. What will be offered in exchange has not yet been determined. At the cutset the purpose of the negotiations was confined to the Brit-

ish West Indies, but the present indications are that efforts will be made to include Canada among the colonies receiving the advantages of reciprocity. How far this can be done, in view of the failure of the Bering sea negotiations, is not clear, but it is probable the British government will prefer to have negotiations embrace all the colonles-including Canada-instead of repealing the action when the last reciprocity treaties were framed of confining them to the West Indian possessions. In this connection it may be stated that Mr. Kasson, the special plenipotentiary commissioner of the United States, charged with the conduct of the negotiation of reciprocity of land owned by it in the state of Tex- tariff act, has not undertaken to con-The correspondent asked Gen. Gonez as, a change of name is considered sider the subject of reciprocity with has become so involved with the seal question and other issues as to become practically inseparable from them, and so the entire subject of Canadian re-President McKinley's Letter Has been Re- lations appears to remain in the control of ex-Secretary Foster.

> It had been expected that the recov-The rumor that Mr. Scovel had been tude toward reopening negotiations, been well founded. The insurgents no step whatever until a definite as-

Wilfred Laurier, the Canadian premier, declining to stop pelagic seal-Senor Madrigal (United States con- ing. The action of Lord Salisbury concurrence of Great Britain, it is presumed that the effect of Great Britain's action will be to nullify this

STEAMER ASHORE.

South Pass, La. New Orleans, La., Dec. 30 .- The

British steamship Ramorehead, from New Orleans for Belfast, Ireland, is ashore in South pass, near Grand Payon. She lies in the channel and draws twenty-four feet one inch forward, twenty-five feet two inches aft, The British steamship Bernica, from New Orleans for Liverpool, in proceed ing down the channel of South pass, was run ashore to avoid colliding with the Ramorehead.

mile below the head of the pass. Tugboats have been engaged to go

to the assistance of the grounded ves- People overlooked the importance of sels. The position of the Ramoreto everything but light draft vessels.

Miners Strike.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Dec. 30 .- Five the Dayton Coal company a few days by the California Fig Sprup Co. ago, stating that thereafter the men would be docked for all slate found in their cars. The probabilities are that take the chances some women take. several hunded other men employed at the mines will go out Jan. 1. A few hundred men at stations along the Cin- that she is sick. cinnati Southern, who struck May 1,

Cotton Mill Operators.

tion of the operators' conference coma non-union man out of employment mittee at the meeting Tuesday night has changed the sentiment regarding opposition to the reduction of wages, and the chances are now in favor of the adoption of the recommendation union and was rejected on the ground of the committee against immediate north n. A canvass of the members ship. The union demanded his dis-charge and the printers struck to en-

> Little Rock, At dying of consumption. o be the only living man od with Holmes' life.

It may seem absurd to speak of fish

as walking. The flying fish is well known, but its flight looks much like swimming in the air. We naturally think of fishes as living always in the water, as being incapable, in fact, of living anywhere else. But nature maintains no hard and fast lines of distinction between animal life which belongs to the land and that which belongs to the water. If we can believe the accounts of naturalists, there are fishes that traverse dry land. It is reported that Dr. Francis Day, says the London Mail of India, has collected several instances of the migration of fishes by land from one piece of water to another. A party of British officers were upon one occasion encamped in a certain part of India, when their attention was attracted by a rustling sound in the grass and leaves. Investigation showed it to be caused by myriads of little fishes that were making for one direction and were moving slowly on. There were hundreds of them moving by using their sides and small fins as feet; now upright, now falling down, squirming, bending, rolling over, regaining their finny feet and again pressing on. These fishes were the famous climbing perch, about which so much has been said and written, and they were passing over the country to avoid a drought. When the stream in which they have been spending the season urles up, they scale the banks, and, prected by some marvelous instinct, crawl to another.

GOOD ADVICE

From a Friend Often Saves Lives. How many remedies are recommended to suffering persons by their friends. In a great many cases a cure is effected by a remedy recommended in such a way. Mrs. Frances M. Badgett, 819 New street, Knoxville, Tenn., was suffering with female trouble (catarrh of the pelvic organs). Pe-ru-na was recommended to her by a friend.

She took it and was cured. The following is an extract from a letter written by her to Dr. Hartman: "I suffered terribly with female weakness for took many dif-

ferent remedies, but they failed to cure me. A friend advised me to take Peru-na after reading one of Dr. Hartman's advertisements. I got five bottles of Pe-ru-na. In four days after I began taking it I felt better, and in a short time was entirely cured. If it had not been for that medicine I would be dead now, for I kept getting worse all the time. I heartily recommend Dr. Hartman's treatment as the best in the

Dr. Hartman has written a book especially for women. It treats of the catarrhal diseases of women, and is of very great interest to catarrhal sufferers. "Health and Beauty" will be sent court martialed on the spot, but on which has been briefly reported by free by addressing The Pe-ru-na Drug learning that they were both special cable, adds no new phase to the case. Manufacturing Company, Columbus, Ask your druggist for a free Pe-ru-

na Almanac for 1898.

Captain Marryat. In his Seventy Years' Reminiscences

Mr. Vizetelly gives the following description of Captain Marryat: Captain Marryat was tall, but broad-shouldered and thick set. There was nothing of the jovial "salt" about him; none of that flow of animal spirits which his writings might have led one to expect, nor aught that could be termed genial even. On the contrary, his manners were grave, and he had rather a peremptory way of speaking, which his friends, though never in his hearing, for that would have been dangerous. were in the habit of terming his "quarter-deck" style. Marryat's autocratic proceedings at the time he owned the Metropolitan Magazine led to its former editor, Campbell the poet, suggesting that he evidently had plenty of the family's old planter's blood in his veins, and that he would dearly like to flog his contributors for their shortcomings.

Horse Scared to Death by Hay, A negro carried a bale of hay in front of a horse in Lexington, Ky., and the horse was so scared that it dropped The French steamship Carolina, dead. It would be interesting to know from New Orleans for Havre, is also what that animal had been in the habaground on South Pass, about half a it of eating. If hay would scare it to death, what would oats do?

permanently beneficial effects and were head and Bernica blocks the channel satisfied with transient action; but now that it is generally known that Syrup of Figs will permanently overcome habitual constipation, well-informed people will not buy other laxatives, 800 houses, including a number of hundred miners at Dayton, Tenn., are which act for a time, but finally injure out on account of the notice posted by the system. Buy the genuine, made We would rather not marry than

If a women is sick, and you want

her to recover, don't tell her friends Educate Your Bowels With Cascarets.

Candy Cathartic, cure constipution forever 10c. 25c. If C. C. C. fail, druggists refund money Along about half past one on a win-ter night, the wind howls as desolately

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SKILL OF DOCTORS TESTED.

Fifteen Years of Suffering.

"I thought I should surely die."

When the stomach begins to fall in its duties, other organs speedily become affected in sympathy, and life is simply a burden almost unbearable. Indigestion and dyspepsia are so common that only the sufferer from these diseases knows the possibilities of misery that inhere in them. A typical example of the sufferings of the victim of indivestion is furnished in the case of John Circitchard. He went on for afteen years, from bad to worse. In spite of doctors he grew constantly weaker, and thought he would die. He got well, however, and thus relates his experience:

"For afteen years I was a great sufferer from indigestion in its worst forms. I tested the skill of many doctors, but grew worse and worse, until I became so weak I could not walk fifty yards without having the street of the surest and swillest relief from constitution and all swillest relief from

worse and worse, until I became so weak I could not walk fifty yards without having to sit down and real. My stomach, liver, and heart became affected, and I thought I would surely die. I tried Dr. J. C. Ayer's names, heartburn, paiplistion and all its attendant ills. They cure dizziness, would surely die. I tried Dr. J. C. Ayer's names, heartburn, paiplistion bad breath, continued their use and am now entirely well. I don't know of anything that will so quickly relieve and cure the terrible sufferings of dyspepsin as Dr. Ayer's libusiness, and a score of other affections that are, after all, only the signs of a more sufferings of dyspepsin as Dr. Ayer's information about Dr. Ayer's Pills and the diseases they have cured in Ayer's Cure-

A Risky Condition.

with a tin pail walked into a Superior

street establishment where they retail

"Fill it with beer," he said to the

The latter took the pail and turned

"It's for the man that's going up in

the balloon," said the boy. "He'll pay you when he comes down."

But the boy didn't get the beer.

Hojack-"I read today of a racehorse

Beauty is Blood Deep.

beauty without it. Cascarets, Candy Cathar-tic cleans your blood and keeps it clean, by

stirring up the lazy liver and driving all im-purities from the body. Begin to-day to bonish pimples, boils, blotches, blackheads, and that sickly bilious complexion by taking Cascarets,—beauty for ten cents. All drug-

gists, satisfaction guaranteed, 10c, 25c, 50c

fort or profit in a mistake.

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Frank J Chency makes oath that he is he senior partner of the firm of F. J. hency & Co., doing business in the City f Toledo, County and State aforesaid.

and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Cure.

FRANK J. CHENEY.

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1886.

(Seal)

A. W. GLEASON.

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"Who is it for?" he asked.

liquid refreshments.

name for a racehorse."

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something to go by."

turned back.

Early Monday afternoon a small boy

This case is not extraordinary, either in request, by the J. C. Ayer Co., Lowell, Mass.

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-Dont forget your tax this month. W. B. ANTHONY.

-Read McLemore's ad this week it will do you good.

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-Mr. J. G. Owens returned a few days ago from another cattle buying expedition to Louisiana.

-See in another column our advertisement proposing to furnish all leading magazines and newspapers at publisher's prices.

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-If you are not a subscriber to the FREE PRESS you ought to be. Call around and begin the new year right by subscribing.

-We learned just before going to press that Mr. R. B. Fields had returned from his protracted trip in

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-Mr. J. E. Jone, wite and child

of Stephens coaty are here this week visiting by father, Mr. W. C. Jones, and oth relatives.

-Mr. C. J.Aanson was in town this week withis right arm still in a sling a result of a fall he got from I cart the week before, which came ear breaking his shoulder.

_ M. H. Gossett and family hav loved back to Haskell from Cisc The many friends of the ram. here are glad to see them back

-10 per cent added to your tax on Feb. 1st '98. W. B. ANTHONY. -Wonder if those young men who

received their cue at the Christmas tree have yet mastered the rudiments -the A. B. C's, of courtship? Study hard boys.

-Mr. D. W. Courtwright and his brother, recently from Kansas City are arranging to open up a new grocery store. We understand that they are now off buying a stock and will have it here in a few days.

-An item in another column in memory of J. W. Perry and signed by a friend, pays a just tribute to a good man and worthy citizen who has gone to his reward.

-Capt. Dodson has removed the remnant of his stock and retired from business in Haskell. Indeed a glance at the columns of the FREE Press would indicate that Haskell had about gone out of busines. Will it be the FREE PRESS next?

-Tell all your neighbors to per cent will be added to their tax on Feb. 1st. '98. W. B. ANTHONY,

-An item we missed last week was a sumptious dinner given by Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Rike to a number of the old people of the town. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Killough, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Kirby, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Springer, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Frost and Mrs. Parker.

-Again Dame Rumor was right Mr. G. W. Hazlewood returned Saturday of last week with his bride, nee He sat upon Massey, they having old tree and ca few days before at mooth bark of the bride in Palo a long

ed up just ess takes pleasure in mber for e gratulations to them ow many them a happy and pros-Not until t'

in the west d then, while tf and tax collector is the day's deli the tax payers of the and ity of paying their taxes before coind of January in order to save He afterwards lived in Bell Co. and seretofore the cost against delin- lived till 1889, the date from which wents has gone to the tax collector he became a citizen of Haskell Co. d Mr. Anthony has remitted it in ost instances. He can do so no nger as it now goes to the state and punty and he must collect it with 1898, lived a devoted christian life.

-Mrs. N. J. Roberts died at the on Monday evening last. She had Col. Frank Brown, a director, came been failing for several years from a over from the Falls in their special lung trouble and came here from car Saturday night and spent the fortitude that indicated her firm re- is equally as confident that it will liance upon reaching a refuge where not require more than thirty days pain and suffering could not reach longer at farthest to reach Haskell.

Judge McCallum of Mitchell counby Bass Bros in Abilene, \$2.00 per teed to do good work for a distance section has rid large portions of his of five hundred miles. - Banner. county of the dog pest. He says that all we need in this country is cooperation upon the part of all and -Pay your tax this month or pay a few days will settle them for years. extra 10 per cent. W. B. ANTAONY. Even three times the cost mentioned -Mr. J. A. Jones left on Monday would be returned several times in for Fort Worth where he will resume one year in grass alone. When we his duties as a traveling salesman. | come to calculate the number of cat--Mr. Dan Couch left Sunday to tle the grass eaten by prairie dogs try yearly. We shall take up this subject in the near future. - Abilene

> This is a little better than Bass Bros promise, but the dogs can be killed with this poison cheaply. The price is \$1.00 per bottle (per peck of wheat) 4 bottles \$3.50, 5c per bottle extra by mail. For sale by all drug-

Program for Jan. 9th 3 p. m

Roll call and scripture responses. Lesson: Gifts for service, 1 Cor. 12:4-11, led by Miss Zoodie John-

Comments on lesson. Recitation, Miss Minnie Lindsey.

Duet, Misses Lizzie and Georgia Address, Prof. W. W. Hentz.

Select reading, Miss Eula Hudson, Recitation, Miss Sibyl Collins. Vocal Solo, Miss Lillie Rike.

Teachers Institute.

Programme for Haskell county Teachers Institute.

FRIDAY NIGHT, JAN. 28TH, 1898. 1. The necessity of moral teaching and its methods, Prof. Hentz.

2. Resolved, that the battle field of San Jacinto should be purchased by the state, Aff. Prof. Chas. Mayes and Miss Minnie Jones. Neg. Prof. J. B. Jones and Miss Ellen Isbell. 3. Miscellaneous Exercises, Miss

Minnie Ellis SATURDAY, JAN. 19TH, 1898, 1. Botany, Miss Sallie Ramsey.

2. Geography, Prof. R. L. Carle-3. Physiology, Miss Lucy Denson.

Compound Numbers, Prof. 5. Common Fractions, Prof. Hentz

6. Querry box, Mr. John Robert- Eng. Grammar, cloth .50

All teachers and trustees are ren this discussion.

In Memery of J. W. Perry

J. M. BALDWIN, Pres. Miss Minnie Ellis, Sect.

hard at first to realize that he who cost \$10 or \$11. had been so jovial, so generous, and seemingly so strong for one of his changed for the new ones the cost age, was now no more. With his will be reduced about one-half. passing away his children have lost a loving father, his triends a true and tried friend; Haskell Co. has lost a good citizen and the Confederate Veterans an honored member, yet our loss is consoled by the belief that the Heavenly Host has gained a member to sing throughout eternity

the praises of his Creator. Bro. J. W. Perry was born Jan. 18, 1832, in Talidigo Co., Alabama and moved to Texas in 1852. In 1860 he moved to Panola Co., from which place he enlisted in the Confederate such meeting. army, serving throughout the four

J. H. C. Orenbaum. addition of a ten percent penalty. in 1879 moved to Hill Co., where he Bro. Perty professed religion in 1867 and, until his death, Jan. 1st,

J. V. GOODE, superintendent of home of her son, Mr. L. W. Roberts, the Wichita Valley railroad, and When the work is completed it will be one of the best lines in Texas. ty, says that with a dog poison made Tie phones to be used are guaran-

SCHOOL BOOKS.

As Adopted by the State Board.

for five years, beginning Sept. 1898. Saturday, but his sickness yielded The table also shows the price at somewhat to remedies. On Sunday which they are to be sold, the ex- afternoon about 5 o'clock he was change price for old books of like taken with acute congestion of the kinks, and the price at which they stomach and bowels, and in spite of have usually been retailed, where every effort of loving care and medisuch price was known. Some of the cal attention died at the hour named. books have not been in use in Texas.

READERS. To be Exch. Stickney's sold at price. price. First, cloth 8 .18 \$.12 Second. .15 Third. .30 . ..18 Fifth. Woodward's, Fourth, cloth ARITHMETICS, Sutton & Kimbrough's Lower, in boards .24 Higher, " " Lower, cloth Higher, "

TEXAS HISTORY, Pennybacker's, .65 PHYSIOLOGY, Hutchinson's Book 1, cloth .40 GEOGRAPHY,

Rand, McNally & Co. Complete, cloth .81 SPELLERS,

To be Exch sold at price. Practical 1st book, bds Practical and " Complete book, Complete book, cloth .24 The complete speller is the 1st and 2nd book in one binding.

COPY BOOKS Zaner, Ware & Webb 24 pages 32 pages

Language Les. & Eng. Grammar, Hyde's Lessons in Eng. boards .22 do

Eng. Grammar, boards .35 do cloth .45 Whitney & Lockwood's

It will be seen that the contract prices at which the books are to be juested to be present and take part sold is considerably under the usual retail price.

The total cost of the set of adopted state policy. books including five readers, one speller, two arithmetics, two geographies, lessons in English and English grammar, two physiologies, Our community was shocked New Texas history and one copy book is Year's day to learn of the death of \$6.50. A similar set of books at the Mr. J. W. (Grandpa) Perry. It was retail prices now prevailing would

Where books now in use are ex-

Notice of Stockholders' Meeting.

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 J. L. JONES,

years In 1854 he was married to Haskell, Tex. Dec. 7, 1897. Cashier.

> Advertised Letters. The following is a List of letters remaining at the Post office Haskell, Texas. for 50 days. Graves, Tom, 1; Hammett Mr. John H. 1, and Wayne, Mr. T. A. 1. If not calle ! for within 30 days will be sent to

When calling for the above please say Respectfully. B. H. Donson, P. M. Hskell Texas Jan. 1, 1888.

Clay county a few months ago to Sabbath in Seymour. During the appreciates it enough to come and settle every few months, but when it runs reside with her son, but it was too day they procured a team and inspect- for a year, two years or longer it shows very clearly to my mind that there late for the change to do any good. ed the work done on the telephone is no appreciation for favors extended. Now a great many I have carried Her remains were carried to Throck- line between this city and Throck- for a long long time; some few have come and settled and a great many morton and enterred beside those of morton and express themselves as have not. Last year was over an average crop year and I certainly expect her husband who was burried there well pleased with both the character you to make satisfactory settlements, for I am in great need of money to some twelve or fourteen years ago. of work and the progress the con- pay what I owe. Am sure I am not asking too much of you after I have Mrs. Roberts was about 67 years of struction force has made. Mr. carried you as long as I have without worrying you. As long as you havent age and had been a member of the Goode gives it as his opinion that the paid your account you need not ask for credit as it will only be embarrass-Methodist church for many years and line will be completed to Throck- ing to you to be refused. So please come and settle at once and lets start she bore her afflictions with a quiet morton within the next ten days and in the new year afresh and by so doing we all will feel better.

A. P. McLEMORE.

Governor Ross Dead

Tuesday's papers brought the following announcement of the sudden death of ex-Governor Ross:

Bryan, Tex., Jan. 3.-Ex-Gov Lawrence Sullivan Ross died at his home at the agricultural and mechanical college of Texas, of which institution he was president, at 6:35 The following is a list of the text o'clock this evening, in the 59th year books adopted by the state board ap- of his age. He had been hunting, pointed under an act of the last leg- and returned home last Thursday islature to select a series of books for evening complaining of indigestion. use in the public schools of Texas He was very restless Friday and

> The news of Gov. Ross' death went to the four corners of the state on telegraphic wires and soon messages of regret and condolence began to come back from prominent men, .48 life long friends and admirers until son realize the fact that a railroad is it looked as if all Texas was shocked going to be built through this county and saddened, as indeed it was, for few men in a life time of active service have so endeared themselves to the people as Sul Ross. As a talk business .- Jones Co. News. .38 mere youth he won the admiration .71 and love of the people for his bravery .36 in beating back and vanquishing the ped at Albany instead of coming to .71 fierce Commanches, in which service he received severe wounds. And .90 later, entering the Confederate army as a lieutenant, his bravery and efficient service won him rapid promotion until at the head of Ross' cavalry brigade he wore the uniform of them up this way. brigadier general. He always led, and never a man of his Texans, Mississippians and Kentuckians failed to follow where his white plume led. Always in front of the fight, in more than a hundred engagements, strange to say, he was never touched by an

enemies' bullet or sabre. After the war he as sheriff did was made governor and for four presidency of the A. and M. college sold by A. P. McLemore. and, like everything else under his control, that institution has prospered and become a valuable factor in Texas' educational system. There was none of the bluster and parade of the politician about Governor Ross; his work was all done in a quiet, unostentatious way. He was simply a man of true worth and ability who knew his duty and performed it alike as soldier, citizen and statesman whether it was to lead a charge into the face of a belching battery or do a neighborly kindness or direct a

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and iron culverts. Our readers can form an intelligent idea about what point that forty miles of extension from Albany will reach. Do the business men of Anin the near future? Do they want it to come to An ion? If so organize a commercial club and be prepared to

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