## NEWS NOTES ABOUT TOW

General Pickups of the Week by Iron Port Reporters.

FEW OF THE MANY HAPPENINGS

Municipal Matters of Minor Importance Briefly Chronicled.-Upper Peninsula News Condensed for Easy Reading.

Ivan G. English has devised a method of quickly and easily opening envelopes. It is merely a line of perforations exdistance from its end, but the device is new and may be patentable. At any rate a patent has been applied for and The Iron Port hopes "Ivy" may make a stake out of it.

the time John was dying at his home in this city and the engine to which it refers large circle of friends and acquaintances. was bringing hither Dr. Minaban, of Green Bay. The trip was made in two Presbyterian church at 2:30 this afterhours and forty minutes.

Iron Mountaineers are scrambling for the postoffice already, though the term of the incumbent does not expire until March, 1898, and there is no likelihood his powers a good man is called away. that he will be disturbed. The Tribune says he would be reappointed "if the people had anything to say" about it.

The thanks of The Iron Port are due and hereby tendered to Senator Burrows violent and acute cases, and the other a for a copy of the "Year Book" of the department of agriculture, which is at the modern. Seventy patients in the Traservice of any of our farmer friends. verse City asylum sent from the upper There's a world of information in it of interest to a farmer.

talk about an electric railway between are a large number of patients at pre-Escanaba and Gladstone. Such a road sent confined in the county jails. When would be a convenience, certainly, but all the buildings contemplated are comthe question of profit on the investment | pleted, the institution will have a capanecessary is "a sticker."

compilation of the laws of Michigan, has of land under cultivation. nearly completed his work. He found 367 errors in the old compilation-some trival, some serious.

The owners of Gypsy, the man-killing elephant must kill her and to get her price proposed to make a show of the killing at Chicago but will not be permitted to do so.

A quantity ol good land in Baldwin township has reverted to the state and is open to homestead entry. The county treasurer will furnish information re-

garding it. Hale won the sixty-day cycle race in Madison Square garden, New York. He covered 1,910 miles, beating the old re-

cord by 310 miles and earning \$5,000. Tuesday last was the 32d anniversary of the battle of Nashville, which wiped tity. out Hood's army and finished the active

career of "Pap Thomas." Tuesday was the anniversary of the landing of the pilgrims-Forefathers' day-and was observed by New Eng-

landers, generally. John Sourwine still stands for Bryan ledges his pluck and perseverance in an

autograph letter. The lightships have all gone into winthe straits, which left their stations last city to the creditors and quit business."

Treasurer-elect St. Jacques has filed his official bond and spends much of his time with Treasurer Schemmel, "getting on to

his job." With the close of the year Hon. E Glaser will have served twenty-six years, consecutively as judge of probate of this

county. Gad Smith would like to be pension agent for this state and The Iron Port would like to see him get the appoint-

ment. The schoolfellows of John Frederick Stonbouse were let out of school Mon-

day, that they might attend his funeral. Zertucha, the traitor who betrayed Maceo, received \$50,000 (or the promis of that sum) for his treachery. The Anabel, Capt. John Coffey, was in

culty in coming or going. Ontonagon is putting up a church, a

choolhouse and a courthouse and fire other improvements are in contempla-

John A. McNaughtan is selling grocerat cost, for spot cash, for thirty days. for supplies for the camps. A complete shut-down of the big Norrie mine is reported.

Volunteering for Cuba. Companies are forming, all over the a justice's court and carred by appeal country, to help out the Cubans just as before Judge Stone, was by him taken on as transportation and arms can be from the jury and a nominal verdict was ad, but the movement is nothing com- given the plaintiff, with a chance for red to the rush which would set in if another trial at the next term. The e United States called for volunteers costs already amount to eight times as wrest the Island from Spain. In that much as the original claim.

case a force sufficient to eat up Weyler and his forces could be landed in Cuba in sixty days. It would not be a "green" force, either. Enough veterans would be in it to make soldiers of the boys and show them how the thing is

Death of John R. Cotterill. On Thursday morning last, after a brief but very painful illness, John R. Cotterill passed to "that undiscovered country from whose bourne no traveler returns." He had known for some time that he was the victim of an organic dis-

ease of the heart, but had until this week been able to discharge his duties as a locomotive engineer and last week visited his mother and other relatives in Wisconsin, but upon his return, last Saturday, was taken violently ill and the end

came as stated. Mr. Cotterill was but thirty-seven years of age and had resided in this city since he reached manhood. He was aftending across the envelope at a short filiated with Delta Lodge, F. A. M., and the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, in each of which bodies he was a valued member, and had represented his ward (the second) on the board of education and the board of supervisors, ac-The North Star of Wednesday had an quitting himself well and to the satisaccount of "the last ride" of the late faction of his constituents. He leaves a John Cotterill which was all wrong. At | widow, but no children, and is mourned for not only by his kinsfolk but by a

> Funeral services will be held at the noon and will be attended by the Masonic body and the B. L. E., the former of which will be in charge of the obsequies. In the prime of his life and the fullness of

> > The Newberry Asylum.

The new buildings were opened Tuesday at the hospital at the insane asylum. One cottage has a capacity of 50 capacity of 70. They are thoroughly peninsula will be transferred to the Newberry asylum by special train. The The Delta suggests the resumption of room will be quickly filled up, as there city of 350. It at present contains Lewis M. Miller, who is preparing a about 225 patients. They are 200 acres

Can't Do It, Sir.

"Please give this space in the Port and oblige" says an anonymous correspondent who signs his letter "Tax payer", "this" being an indictment of the management of the water works. Can't do it, sir; the rule concerning anoymous letters shuts you out. If you can sustain the charges you make you should be neither so timid nor so modest as to hide behind a nom de plume and endeavor to put the fight upon The Iron Port, which would be at once accused of malice towards his honor, the mayor, not care for the public health. The communication is held to await "Tax Payers" disclosure (to the editor) of his iden-

It is "In The Hole."

The State Agricultural Society is in a bad way. A dispatch from Lausing last Tuesday said: "About \$20,000 is owed to the citizens of Lansing, and all of it is now due. Notes must be renewed or the fair must be given up." A member of and free silver and Mr Bryan acknow- the business committee was the speaker and be added: "We can't have them jumping on us during the fair and attaching the gate receipts. I would be ter quarters. The latest were those in willing to turn over the grounds in this

> Slandering the Town. Some one telegraphs the Detroit Tri-

bune to the effect that there are many cases of typhoid fever here and that the cause is impure water. The fact is that the cases of that fever are few and not difficult to handle, and the doctors tell The Iron Port that they have not succeeded in tracing them to any exciting cause. Our water supply has been often tested by analysis and always found safe nor is there any reason to believe that it is other than safe now.

Rapid River Prosperous.

A representative of Dun's Commercial agency who lately visited Rapid River from the start. All the same, the comsaid to The Iron Port that he found the pany is probably bankrupt. What sort business of that village in good shapewith few "plasters" upon it-and every be to have loaned such a sum of money port again last Monday, finding no dif- evidence of prosperity. From another upon the security of such a plant the source we learn that Mr. Dillabough will | reader can judge, erect a new store in the spring and that tion. The town is headquarters for the trade in cedar, which is now lively, and

An Expensive Law Suit.

A suit brought by Samuel Bennett alone, it will sink that much before it be- tainly, a good day's work; does any one against Peter McRae for wages, begun in

Loan and Trust Company Proceeds to Foreclose.

ITS CLAIMS AGGREGATE \$375,000

Proceedings Begun in the U. S. Court at Marquette Last Wednesday. A Receiver Asked For Pending Foreelosure Proceedings.

From the Mining Journal of Thursday we clip the following concerning the action taken by the Farmers' Loan and Trust Co. against the Escanaba Water Works Co., to foreclose its mortgages on the plant.

"The Farmers Loan & Trust company of New York held three mortgages against the water works company, and as principal and interest bave been unpaid for some time has begun suit to foreclose. In the interval necessarily occupied in this proceeding it asks that a receiver be appointed at the discretion of the court.

The water works company issued its first mortgage the fifthteenth of October 1886 for the protection of \$100,000 in water works bonds. In September 1889 a second mortgage was given for \$175,000 in bonds which were made payable in 1906, drawing semi-annual interest meantime at 6 per cent. Part of the first mortgage bonds were taken up when the second mortgage was made. | the new workhouse which Douglas coun-Affairs of the company got in such a

Rookwood Pottery

Ladies' Gold Filled Watches Fahy's Cases (18 size) Best "Roger's" Knives, per set Forks "Tea Spoons " Silver Thimbles Solid Gold Baby Rings

shape that a third issue of bonds was

deemed necessary, and to protect these

a third mortgage of \$100,000 was given

on the twenty-ninth of November, 1892,

but dated back to the fifteenth of Octo-

ber. Everything owned by the company

was then plastered with mortgages,

from its franchise to the smallest detail

According to the bill of the Trust com-

pany the money raised by these three

different bond issues was not sufficient

to keep the concern going. The bill al-

leges that no interest has been paid on

the bonds of either issue since April 15,

1894, and further asserts that at present

the company is wholly insolvent. These

are the reasons for asking a receiver and

The idea that all the money raised up-

on these mortgages has been sunk here

is ridiculous; the plant has made money

of a "trust" company the Farmers' must

Risky Venture.

A republican daily at Marquette is

Unless the promoters are ready to put

up a hundred thousand dollars to carry

Our Jessie Got the Watch.

At the fair given by the German Luth-

eran church, which closed last Saturday

gins to pay dividends.

foreclose under the mortgages.'

MASONIC BLOCK.

of the plant.

settles all disputes as to the time-of-day. The watch is a beautiful little "Elgin" and of it and of the manner of its acquirement Miss Jessie is, very naturally, not a little proud. Henry Thomy won the

To Colonize State Lands.

Land commissioner French has a plan for relieving the cities of unemployed or partially employed men and disposing of the lands which have fallen to the state for unpaid taxes. Of these lands there are now 500,000 acres and the quantity is likely to be largely increased. The commissioner asks: "Now, what's the matter with utilizing that land by colonizing it with the poor? According to the law the purchase price is 50 cents an acre, to be paid in five years-10 cents a year. Most of the foreigners in Michigan are from the farming districts of European countries, and they would become good tillers of Michigan soil. The only thing is to get them out on the farms and away from cities. Do that and the matter of hard times is solved. They would soon pay for their farms and be prosperous." He wants a "land looker" to "size up" the lands, so as to be able to give full information eccerning them, but he does not stop at that; be suggests, further, that "the state might well afford to go further and see the settler taken to the future farm and located there. Take that non-prospering class out of the city, where it congests the labor market, and a large proportion of money would be saved to sthe taxpayers."

A New Copper Field,

The striking of a rich vein of copperbearing rock by the workmen who were blasting for a well for the foundation for ty is building near Amnicon lake, fifteen

Hawkes Cut Glass

Solid Gold Misses' Rings \$5.00 to \$6.00 Cake Baskets \$15.00 Quadruple Plate Tea Set

miles south of Superior, has revived in-

terest in property and mining in that vi-

cinity and it is probable that very short-

ly there will be further operations to in-

vestigate and determine whether copper

can really be profitably mined on the

range near that city. It is now expected

that there will be quite a boom in acre-

age in that vicinity, as copper undoubt-

edly exists, the only question being

whether it is in quantities sufficient to

warrant mining in competition with the

Calumet and Northern Michigan proper-

Snowballing.

that the kids snowball them as they

pass through the streets and that com-

catch one of the rascals and give him a

good hiding, but that is impracticable,

they are more nimble that the man they

pelt and know all the by-ways. The

police should be instructed to make ar-

A Good Day's Work.

At Stiekney and Johnston's camp No.

2, at the 18-mile rapids of the Whitefish

river, of which camp James Johnston is

foreman, Peter Mooney, teamster, and

56,820 feet. "Beat it if you can" says

the correspondent who gives the Iron

Escanaba Leads.

As given by Iron Ore the season's ship-

ments put Escanaba at the head again

rest when the assault is seen.

accept the challenge?

People from outside the city claim

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go further than our establishment to secure what you desire. Every-

: : thing ABSOLUTELY NEW-No old stock. : :

beginning action in a court of equity to plaints to the policemen are only laugh-

again talked of with Alfred Meads, late six men skidded and decked in one day

of the Ontonagon Miner, as conductor. (the 8th instant) 311 logs which scaled

the enterprise on they had better let it Port the facts and figures. It was, cer-

evening, the voting contest for a gold with 2,321,928 tons, Marquette follow-

Rice, of the Iron Port force, and she now | 566,336 and Gladstone with 190,000.

Hat Pins Hair Pins Stick Pins

A. M. STEVENSON.

\$8.63 4.35 1.49

.17

"Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men."

A PLEA FOR ARMENIAN ORPHANS

Twelve Dollars Will Support One These Little Ones a Year.-No Salaries Are Paid to Those in Charge. Literature Free.

Two thousand years ago was heard in Ramah the voice of "Rachel weeping for her children." To-day is borne to us line at actual cost. H. M. Abenstein. from the same country the wailing of little orphaus, homeless, naked and hungry. This is the work of the modern Herod-Hamid II.

Here, Christmas bells ringing through thousands of happy, confortable christo men." There, where Christianity Stephen's church. first found its welcome, 100,000 orphau children of martyrs waiting for the coming of the barest necessities of life.

Never did the "King's business" call for greater haste. "Pulling up grass and eating it, roots and all:" whole villages cry as we pass: 'We are hungry;' " "dying daily, from cold, hunger, fever and exposure;" "huddled in stables;" 'begging from door to door;" "wandering about like dogs, eating and sleeping where they can"-such are the reports of eye witnesses.

The relief of these sufferers of Christ is entirely practicable through our heroic American missionaries who are staying at their posts all through the devastated regions, anxious and able to do this very work. If left to the tender no loss of life. mercies of the Turks, the children will be brought up as Moslems, the girls being forced into Turkish harems. The paltry stores. sum of \$12.00 will support one of these orphans for a year. No expense is needed for buildings or for salaries of those in charge.

How dare we celebrate the birth of the Christ with costly gifts one to another. with pomp and circumstance, while those of whom He spoke, "Inasmuch as you have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me," perish with hunger?

Oh happy children in this favored land! Will you not this year make a birthday gift to the Christ Child Himself, represented by one of these? Oh, young men and women, consecrated to the King's work! What better service can you renone of his own little ones? Oh, parents with empty cradles and vacant chairs! Your darlings need your tender care no longer. They are past your voice to lull, or kiss to waken, happy

"In the far land to shine and sing Before the beautiful, the King,

Who every day does Christmas make." But these other children wandering in the blackness of despair, reach out to pity they so sorely need. Is not this a work that you may do in memory of Hymn, Congregation; Benediction. your loved and lost?

Any gifts for this object should be sent to Brown Bros. & Co., 59 Wall St., New York, marked "For the Orphan Fund of the National Armenian Relief Committee." Send for literature and further information to Rev. F. D. Greene, Sec., 63 Bible House, New York.

New Device for Hauling Logs.

A snow locomotive is the latest innovation in logging. It is made by a Chicago company. The locomotive is set of the traction engine. It has a big cog | Ste. Marie) explaining the character of wheel which is operated by steam and propels it. It will make ten miles an bour, and is a very economical device on ity of law for same." a log haul. Frost & Bergeron, jobbers, have bought one and will use it near Iron Mountain. The locomotive will draw four sleighs and over 100,000 feet ed at. The best remedy would be to of lumber. The sleighs are coupled behind it like a train of cars. The device is not a new one, but it is just perfected the Ford River, I. Stephenson, Bay de so that it can be used for all practical purposes.

Holiday Excursion Rates.

On December 24, 25, 31, 1896, and January 1, 1897, the Chicago & 'North-Western R'y will sell excursion tickets at low rates to points on the North-Western Line and Union Pacific System within 200 miles of selling station, good for return passage until January 4, 1897, inclusive. For tickets and full information apply to agents Chicago and North-Western R'y.

Literary Notes.

McClure's Magazine will begin in the January number a series of "Life Portraits of Great Americans" with reproductions of all the existing portraits of Benjamin Franklin known to have been watch resulted in favor of Miss Jessie ing with 1,574,000, Ashland with 1,- portraits, and some of them have never and Angus Smith is as stubborn as a been published. Mr. Charles Henry mule.

Hart, probably the highest authority on early American portraits, is collecting and editing the material for the series, and will add introduction and notes giving the history of the several portraits and whatever is interesting in the circumstances of their production. There will also be an article on Franklin by Professor Treat, of the University of the

GENERAL CITY NEWS.

A theatrical "circuit," to be composed of Greet, Bay, Oconto, Marinette, Menominee, Iron Mountain and Escanaba, is proposed. In such a circuit theatrical companies could be more easily booked and it would be better for all parties concerned.

Having bought too large a stock of gold watches and diamonds for the holiday trade, I will sell every article in this

The sale of fancy articles by the ladies of the Presbyterian church last evening was a success. The ladies realized a considerable sum from the sale. John Frederick, son of the late John

Stonhouse, died last Saturday, of peritian homes, "Peace on earth, good will tonitis. Funeral last Monday from St. Maria A., daughter of S. Rowe, died

Wednesday night, at the age of fourteen years. Funeral this morning at Ste. Anne's The supervisors will meet January 5 to settle with the old and approve the

bonds of the new county officers. Hon. Dan Ball, of Marquette, is candidate for justice of the supreme court to succeed Chief Justice Long.

Secretary Olney "gives it out, cold" that the U.S. must change its policy with regard to Cuba.

Holiday, as well as "straight winter" goods at Greenhoot's, any quantity and

England was shaken by an earthquake Thursday morning. Damage slight and Hand painted Jewel Cases and Rose

Jars at Sourwine & Hartnett's two Dan Stuart has arranged for a finish

fight between Corbett and Fitzsimmons. Employes of the Northwestern received pay for November this week.

Gus. Mattson, of Ford River, lost an nfant by death last Sunday. The Ann Arbor car ferry still runs to

Gladstone and totes flour. John Moran has sold his horse to Mr. McDonough of Gladstone.

Hessel is selling meats at very low figares to-day.

Presbyterian Services.

To-morrow, at the usual hour, Dr. Todd will preach. In the evening the fifth of the series of sermons on "Heroes and Their Heroic Lives" will be given der "In His Name" than the caring for and the following program will be rendered:

Voluntary, Mrs. Gelzer; Doxology, Congregation; Lord's Prayer, Congregation; Duet, Mrs. Barras and J. J. Sourwine; Responsive Scripture Reading, Congregation; Hymn, Congregation; Solo, Mr. Spafford; Prayer, Dr. Todd; Offertory-Mandolin and Orchestra; Anthem, Choir; Organ Solo and Mandolin you their tiny hands for the love and Orchestra: Hymn, Congregation; Sermou-"The Hero as Martyr", Dr Todd;

Getting Particular.

The Soo has a floating debt of \$25,-000 and wants to fund it in long time bonds. The bonds were assigned to the best bidder, but he now writes:

"The authority for the issue of bonds to fund floating debts is not clearly expressed in said (city) charter nor is the authority for incurring a floating debt apparent. According to the financial statement furnished, the floating debt amounts to \$25,000. I desire a stateon runners and works on the principle ment of the officials of said city (Sault this floating debt, how evidenced, for what purpose incurred, and the author-

A Private Hospital.

Drs. Booth and Youngquist have taken the Gallagher building, at the corner of Mary and Thomas streets and fitted it up as a hospital. Tickets, at \$5 each have been issued and placed on sale with Noquet and Van Winkle & Montague companies. The movement, as we understand it, is the outcome of the dissatisfaction engendered by the choice of county physician last fall. At all events the support of the lumber companies has been transferred from the Tracy hospital to the new one.

Death of Robert Hustie

Robert Hastie, whose condition had been critical for some weeks and whose illness was of months' duration, passed away last night. The Iron Port goes to press before arrangements for the funeral are made.

Strike Threatened.

The miners at the Aragon, 300 in number, want an advance in wages and threaten a strike. Hope they may get made from life. There are fifteen such the advance-it's a bad time to strike



Each laughing sprite in robe of white away to bed did go.

When I hung up my stocking-The world was different then: Unvexed the mind by things that blind and clos the souls of men: A prayer lisped at a mother's knee, a hope

to "only peep-"
If we were quick-and see St. Nick while others lay asleep.

When I hung up my stocking-The gray dawn came so late Each little head in trundle bod grew weary

A stealthy rush of white-robed three-and then the stockings spilt Their treasure out, to laugh and shout, upon the patchwork quilt.

When I hung up my stocking-If now I

Such bubbling joy without alloy as reaching to the heel Brought in the cold gray dawnings of those Christmas days gone by, Not anyone beneath the sun would be so

When I hung up my stocking-No mine of golden ore.

Or jewels rare, past all compare, as in Aladdin's store, Could make me feel such wealth to-day as once I used to know When counting out, with laugh and shout,

the pennies in the toe. When I hung up my stocking-If we could

Throughout our days of devious ways, like pictures framed in gold, Close to our hearts such memories of child-

hood's perfect bliss, We'd often find what now; too blind, in life we simply mis#

-Mary C. Huntington, in N. Y. Independ-

HEY were dressing

dolls; the whole 16, and they were talking-or chatteringlike magpies, when the door opened and Rev. Edward Dayton walked into the room. Now Rev. Edward was tall, he was young, he had a pair of well opened, honest blue eyes, his fair hair showed decided symptoms of curling, when it was allowed to grow beyond the orthodox clerical length, his features were distinctly Greek in their outline, and his figure would have done credit to any young athlete; his clerical garb was well cut, and of the finest cloth, and when to these attractions were added a particularly frank and charming manner, and a most fascinating laugh, it can readily be undersetuod why the new rector of St. Boniface, Chicago, was so popular with his congregation, and so adored by the

feminine portion thereof. Consequently when he entered the rectory drawing-room on the afternoon in question, where 16 pretty girls were employed in dressing dolls for the Christmas bazar, and, in an incidental manner, enjoying the excellent tea and cake dispensed by his maiden aunt, it was not to be wondered at that his/appearance caused a little thrill of excitement to pass through the circle of fair workers.

The rector had only been at St. Boniface nine months, but already he was on fairly intimate terms with the ladies of his congregation, especially the young girls, so without any preliminary the stated his errand.

"I am in a fearful fix," he announced, in a very boyish and unclerical manoner. "And I want one of you young ladies to help me out of it."

The offers of assistance were many and prompt, but the rector still looked worried and anxious.

"You see it is just this way," he began, talancing his spoon across the refige of his cup, and gazing at it intenttly. "I have suddenly been called away on some errand for the bishop and it will be impossible for me to get back to Chicago for Christmas day."

He paused here, and a storm of exclamation and regrets was poured forth, in the midst of which a saucy young voice was heard to exclaim:

"And you want us to write your Christmas sermon for you? How perfeetly charming. I have always fan-- died it must be most delightful to stand wup in a pulpit and deliver nicely pointsed tittle moral axioms - always, of gise."

and the speaker, a slight, graceful little blonde, with a piquant expression, and a pair of mischlevous blue eyes, shot a half-laughing, half-defiant look at the handsome young rector. who widened slightly as he replied in rather constrained tones: "Many Thinks, Miss Evelyn, but I won't trouble you to that extent. I have arranged to have one of Mr. Brooke's curates take the services for me, but he leaves directly after the morning service, to go to one of the mission churches, and you see I had promised to devote Christas afternoon to the patients of the

sels before him.

One was "so sorry, but she had promsed months ago to go to a matinee on Christmas afternoon, and couldn't break the engagement," another "felt just awfully to refuse Mr. Dayton anything," the last, with a melting glance from a pair of big brown eyes, "but grandmamma was coming to spend the day, and it would seem so disrespectful to leave her."

A third "was taking part in a concert their guild was to give on New Year's eve, and she had promised Mr. Trevor faithfully to practice his acwell up in his part of the trio."

A fourth girl "wished dear Mr. Dayton would ask her something else, for really it made her so dismal, seeing those poor souls suffer, that mamma had positively forbidden her to go again.'

They were all so sorry, and so regretted that they could not help him, that the young rector felt sure that it was not the will that was wanting. and thanked them for their ready sympathy as warmly as though it had been practical help.

But in the midst of the volley of excuses a bright thought struck one of the fair defaulters, and she exclaimed: "Why don't you ask Evelyn to take

your place, Mr. Dayton? You would, wouldn't you, Eve, dear?" The rector hesitated, then said, in

formal tones, and without meeting Eye's eye:

"I am afraid that it would not be much in Miss Gwynn's line."

Evelyn drew herself up proudly and seemed about to reply, then a half and sauntered over to a table where two girls sat chatting busily as they arrayed a round faced, dimpled, waxen beauty in the royal robes of Queen Elizabeth-

"Evelyn, why did Mr. Dayton say that visiting the sick was not in your line?" queried May Lindsay, as she adjusted the crown on the head of the doll queen. "I am sure there is not a girl in the guild who has done as much visiting at the hospital and 'Home for Incurables, as you have I don't see so frivolous lately, he never used to. found that you had been there before

them and make the afternoon a little felt sore and hurt at his opinion of her bright; and I can't find anyone to take | and mentally resolved that for once she my place; everyone wants to be at would desert her invalids rather than home on Christmas day, so I must tell have Mr. Dayton imagine she was in the poor things that I cannot keep my fluenced by his wishes, but better counsel came with the morning, and she con-He broke off hesitatingly, and looked soled herself with the thought that Mr. ly woman. Eve, dear, I deserve nothentreatingly at the bevy of fair dam Dayton was out of the city and would probably never discover that she had But they all began with one accord taken his place.

> It was Christmas afternoon and Eve Will you marry me, dear?" was descending the staircase of the the small ante-room where she had left | it did not need to. Attitudes tell her coat and hat.

been a bright, clear day, and as she had passed from room to room she had side brightness with her; now the situation was reversed, the frosty sunshine had given way to the sudden winter twilight, and, in sympathy with the companiment with him on Christmas change, her heart was heavy with vicaafternoon; he was so anxious to be rious sorrow. Like many seemingly to these two the room was full of radivolatile patures hers was a quickly sympathetic one, and she was sad with the sight of so many who were doomed one, and what the rest of the world she would just love to help him, but to spend the last years of their life in suffering.

The little ante room was dark when she entered-so dark that she started, when a tall, shedowy figure loomed up before her, and a voice said: "Good evening, Miss Gwynn." I think he must have been waiting for her for some time, for his eyes were evidently to some extent used to the dim light; however that may be he could not see well enough, however hard he tried, to discern whether she looked pleased or otherwise, as she said, naturally enough: "Why, Mr. Dayton, how you startled me! I thought you were miles away."

"I got back as early as I could!" he replied, "and came around to see how the 'home' had fared for its Christmas. Let me help you into your jacket."

Well, it always is a terrible business getting a jacket to go snugly over one of our present enormous sleeved dresses, but these two seemed to make a amused, half hurt expression crossed worse job of it than usual. At length, her face, as she turned carelessly away, when it was satisfactorily adjusted and Eve was fastening a monstrously elongated fur animal of some sort around her throat, Rev. Edward broke the awkward silence with a rush.

"Miss Gwynn, I want to beg your par-

"Why, Mr. Dayton?" "Because I have misjudged you." "Please don't say any more, Mr. Day-

"But I must. I have been sitting in judgment on you-as you know-I know you know it, and to-day I came why he should seem to regard you as here, and going from room to room



"WHY, MR. DAYTON, HOW YOU STARTLED ME!"

Doesn't he know that for years you me, and had left such a trail of brighthave gone to your 'incurables' every ness behind you, that your path was Sunday afternoon? Why, we all re- easy to follow. The poor souls here gard you as the most goody, goody girl are witnesses to qualities in you that I in our set. I don't see what has come have been blind to." over the rector."

Evelyn, lightly. "Mr. Dayton has never | extreme now, and I really won't know the 'incurables' since he came until now, so he probably does not know that I am in the habit of going there. May, you are getting that suff for her majesty too high."

And then they all plunged into the mysteries of dolls' dressmaking again. nothing to be seen there but a blur of When Edward Dayton first came to light from the window opposite. St. Boniface he had been irresistibly attracted by Evelyn Gwynn's pretty face and saucy speeches, but lately his manner had been much colder, for he course, carefully pointed at some one had arrived at the conclusion that Evelyn cared too little for serious things you do something for me?" to expsent to become a clergyman's wife, and he was too unaccustomed to Evelyn. The fur monstrosity had eviwomen to divine that her flippant dently come unfastened again and re- tree for the amusement of the infant speeches were assumed, and that her quired a great deal of attention, also it prince. The idea pleased the people, gay, careless manner concealed a warm. generous heart. The fact was that, side of the street had acquired a fresh Evelyn was so disgusted at the sudden interest, so it was to the back of a dimmania for parish work, which had seized ly outlined figure in the window that lish .- Chicago Inter Ocean, the young ladies of St. Boniface since Rev. Edward spoke next. Mr. Dayton's advent, that she had taken particular pains to appear in- I am suffering from something that I different, and even frivolous, and had must carry with me the rest of my life, on one or two occasions evaced doing and I don't want to be cured. Eve,

"Please don't say any more," pleaded "It is not worth talking about," said Evelyn. "You are going to the other been asked to take an afternoon at myself. Perhaps you did not give me eredit for some things, but after all you know I am very frivolous!"

But the laugh with which she said it was not quite natural, and there was really no reason for her to walk to the window and look out, for there was

There was a pause, and then a voice came from the shadowy figure in the center of the room.

"Miss Gwynn, you have done a great deal for these poor souls here; won't

"But you are not an 'incurable," said seemed that the blur on the opposite

"I am an 'incurable,' Miss Gwynn; some church work which Mr. Dayton dear, listen to me a moment-do not had asked her to attend to personally; speak, dear, until I have finished-len Mother-Because it takes so muck

loved you, I think, ever since I met you. and like a self-righteous Pharisee Thave endeavored to put my love aside. I had not wit enough to see the best in you, and have toctured myself by imagining I was in love with a thoroughly worlding at your hands, but, darling, if you will only establish a home of your owa for 'incurables' I will try with all the love that is in me to make you happy.

The figure at the window turned "Home for Incurables" on her way to around, but it said nothing. Perhaps great deal sometimes, and then I think When she entered the house it had there was a shadowy outline of a little outstretched hand. At any rate, Rev. Edward took three long strides across seemed to the poor sufferers to have the room, and the next attitude that brought something of the vivid out- showed against the dim window was a very confused one. But it did not matter; no one was there to see.

Was it dark? Well! Perhaps an ordinary benighted mortal, loveless and unloving, might have thought so, but ance, for if one is supremely happy, one earries one's atmosphere about with moves in matters very little.-Ethe! Longley, in Chicago Saturday Evening Herald.

At Christmas Time. Who would not be merry at Christmas And banish all worry at Christmas time!

A well-spring of cheer From the heart of the year, When earth lieth zere, is the Christmas Tis wise to be merry at Christmas time,

All malice to bury at Christmas time; All envy and strife To put out of each life, That joy may be rife at the Christmas

Tis well to be merry at Christmas time. To open our hearts at the Christmas time; That love and good will Every corner may fill,

And vanquish all ill at the Christmas time: Tis good to be merry at Christmas time. To open our hands at the Christmas time;

May by us be made glad, And glorify God at the Christmas time! Tis meet to be merry at Christmas time, In a Christian land at the Christmas time When gladness and mirth,

That some who are sad

Since that wonderful birth Have ruled o'er the hearth at the Christ-

And while we rejoice at the Christmas time. Let this with the peal of our glad bells "All glory to God

For the love that He showed, In the gift He bestowed at the Christmas -M. A. Maitland, in Outlook.

Meant for the Minister.

A popular minister in Fifeshire, in the good old times, used at Christmas to be inundated with hampers filled with good things. On one occasion an enormous turkey was sent to him by the thoughtful kindness of a neighboring farmer; but as the minister's family had already provided for the Christmas dinner, the bird was sent to the market and sold.

A passer-by, seeing this fine specimen of poultry, said: "What a splendid turkey! Just the thing for the minister's Christmas dinner!" To the minister it was again sent.

The provident wife sett it again to the market, and sold it again for a handsome sum. Another friend, similarly struck with

the splendid proportions of the turkey. purchased it, and sent it to the minister. The good woman, not wishing to fly in the face of Providence, said at last: "It is clear that the Lord means us

to have this turkey," and with the approbation of the family, it formed part of the Christmas dinner .- Youth's Companion.

A Real Santa Claus. Santa Claus, I hang for you, By the mantel, stockings two-One for me and one to go To another boy I know.

There's a chimney in the town You have never traveled down. Should you chance to enter there You would find a room all bare: Not a stocking could you spy. Matters not how you might try: And the shoes you'd find are such As no boy would care for much. In a broken bed you'd see Some one just about like me. Dreaming of the pretty toys Which you bring to other boys, And to him a Christmas seems Merry only in his dreams.

All he dreams, then, Santa Claus Stuff the stocking with, because When it's filled up to the brim I'll be Santa Claus to him! -Frank Dempster Sherman, in Chicage

THE CHRISTMAS BIRD.



The Horse-It's a fine turkey, ch Jimmy? Jim-Fine? It's a dream !! - Bay City Chat.

Christmas Trees in England. Christmas trees were unknown in England until the reign of Queen Victoria. After the present prince of Wales had become three or four years old, Prince Albert ornamented a Christmas and, as Christmas trees were every year made a feature of the court celebration. the fashion soon spread among the Eng-

The Reason Why.

Willie-Mamma, if Santa Claus is such a good man, why does he give so many more presents to rich children than to the poor ones?

Home for Incurables' and they have hence his remark about the "incurame have my say, even if the answer is more to please a rich child than it does
counted on having some one read to bles" not being "in her line," Evelyn No.' I love you, dear, so dearly; I have a poor one, my son.—Golden Days.

COLLEGE-BRED PRESIDENTS. McKinley Not One of Them-He Was But

Seventeen When He Enlisted. McKinley, like his predecessor in the presidential office, is not a college graduate. Mr. Cleveland was prepared for Hamilton college, but never entered. McKinley entered Allegheny college, a Meadville, Pa., at the age of 16, and war there initiated into a Greek letter fraternity. He left college before a year had elasped, on account of his health, and did not return, but taught a country school at Poland, his birthplace, until the war broke out, when at 17, he enlisted as a private. McKinley's university was the tented field. His campus was the Campus Martius. His diploma was a major's commission, signed by the hand that wrote the emancipation proclamation. He will soon receive from another institution, the electoral college, a degree such as has been conferred upon only 23 other citizens of this great republic. After his return from the war McKinley took the full course at the Albany law school, which is one of the graduate de-

A large majority of our presidents have been college-bred men. Washington, while not strictly a college man, yet had received from William and Mary college, in 1749, an appointment as surveyor, which was the equivalent of a modern degree in civil engineering, it being then the law in Virgin a that no one could practice surveying until he had been examined by the faculty of William and Mary, and had received a certificate of proficiency. piano than I have, you better present Later in life he received the honorary degree of LL. D., from Harvard, in 1776; from Yale in 1781; from the University of Pennsylvania and Brown university in 1790. A still greater scholastic distinction was conferred on Dr. Washington, in 1788, when he was elected chancellor of the College of William and Mary, his quasi alma matter, an office which he held with pride until the day of his death.

partments of Union college.

Washington's five immediate successors were college graduates. John Adams and his son, John Quincy and Monroe were graduates of William and Mary, while Madison hailed from tion of any sort, and Van Buren, his asol."-Detroit Tribune. successor, only a good academic educa tion. William Henry Harrison graduated at Hampden-Sidney college; Ty ler at William and Mary, and Polk at the University of North Carolina. Taylor had only the merest rudiments of an education, and Fillmore, his successor, had an academic education only. Franklin Pierce was a graduate of Bowdoin, and Buchanan of Dickinson. Lin celn and Johnson were both self-eduschool education. Grant was a West

college-bred men. While President Cleveland is not a class of '84. His right-hand man in the not only a college-bred man, but has been president of West Virginia university .-- N. Y. Mail and Express.

MOUTHS OF THE MISSISSIPPI. Rivers Which Can Be Traced to Human Origin.

The scare that New Orleans has lately been treated to by the discovery that "a crevasse" or break in the bank of the Mississippi in Pass a Loutre, threatenning the stability of the jetties, has caused a general investigation of the' lower river, and has brought out the fact that there are half a dozen breaks say whether they are natural streams or artificial, for in the soft soil of Louisiana a ditch can soon grow into a river. The name given to one of the new outlets of the Mississippi, Baptiste Collet's canal, would indicate its human origin, but the engineers can discover nothing of its story, for tradition has crossed into Yankee land. lost record of it. Whatever it was originally, it is now a river, or part of a river. It is well known that Bayou Plaquemine, formerly a large navigable stream, and the means of communication between New Orleans and southwest Louisiana, was originally a plantation ditch, which the flow of water from the Mississippi increased in time to a bayou, and finally into a river. It then became so dangerous, threatening many parishes with overflow, that it was dammed up by the government 30 years ago. Now the United States is spending some \$600,000 to open it and to construct immense locks at its juncture with the Mississippi, so as to admit the largest steamers going via the Plaquemine, to the Atchafalaya, Teche, and other west Louisiana streams. It is this human crigin of many rivers in southern Louisiana which keeps the engineers and the geographers puzzled, for a ditch may become a river in a dozen years, especially if there is a high water-Harper's Weekly.

Home with Mamma. "No," she faltered, "he doesn't love me any more! This morning-" The remembrance well-nigh overcame

"He had such a sore throat, and I-I wanted to wrap up his neck in red flan. nel. And he-he-

She was sobbing now. "He said he wasn't going to make any horse show of himself!"-N. Y.

A Gloomy Outlook. He-It takes brains to get along in

She-I am so sorry you have such poor prospects .- Town Topics.

PITH AND POINT.

-She-"I see they have now a 'Woman's Dictionary.' Do you suppose that differs from any other?" He-"Brobably has more words in it."-Yonkers Statesman.

-"Bixby has given up learning to play chess." "Too much for his mental caliber?" "No, he hurt his jaw trying to pronounce the names of the leading players."-Cleveland Plain Dealer.

-"I'd like to ask one thing," said the cross boarder. "What is it, please?" asked the landlady. "How do you get this steak cooked so hard without even getting it hot?"-Cinchinati Enquirer. -"I am a plain man," said Bloughly,

"and I believe in being practical. I love you, and I want you to be my wife." "Well," replied the fair one, "how much are you worth?"-Philadelphia North American.

-"You are over 40; why don't you marry?" "Because I do not care to marry an elderly woman, while a young girl would be foolish to marry me, and I do not care to marry a foolish girl."-Fliegende Blaetter.

-A Martyr to the Cause .- "Your teacher tells me you were not at school yesterday. Now, young man, you know what you are going to get." Bob (firmly)-"I do, pop; and I'm willing to be licked any day for a circus parade like that."-Life.

.-Time to Quit, - "Do you think your daughter has good time, Grumpley?" "If she has no better time while she is thumping that old your bill, professor, and quit."-Detroit Free Press.

-Misunderstood Her Meaning,-Algy-"Miss Cutting evidently thinks Cholly and I are fast friends." Horace -"How do you know?" Algy-"Why. last night when she saw us come in the room together she said: "Two souls with but a single thought.' How full of sentiment she is."-Brooklyn Life.

-"Well," said the sarcastic man, as he walked out of the theater between acts, "I'm ever so much obliged to that girl who sits in front of me. I don't know Adams, were Harvard men. Jefferson but I'll tell her so." "You mean the one with the frightfully big hat?" "Yes." "I don't see what you're obliged Princeton. Jackson had little educa- to her for." "For not raising her par-

FEDERATION OF WOMEN.

Benefits of the Sisterhood Movement in the United States.

One of the greatest benefits of the whole system of woman's clubs seem. likely to result from the new movement for federation. Already have the various chib gatherings drawn women from all sections of the country together in something quite distinct cated, neither having had even a high from the old-fashioned temperance and other conventions. In these the women Pointer; Hayes an alumnus of Kenyon; appeared meekly upon the seats pre-Garfield of Williams, and Arthur of pared for them, at hours prepared for Union. From Washington to McKin- them, and listened to speakers rarely of ley, therefore, including Washington their own sex, who came all prepared and Grant, 15 of the 25 may be called to speak one way. There never was any argument or opening for discussion. No matter how the poor little feminine college man, Mrs. Cleveland is a col- heart might boil over with question or lege woman, being a graduate of Wells indignation, it was to no purpose and college, at Aurora, in this state, brought her to no conclusion. But the woman who comes to meet other siscabinet, Dan Lamont, secretary of ters of state or national federation war, is a graduate of Union, as is also comes as a representative of a group Secretary Morton, of the department of of earnest women and is expected not agriculture. Olney is a Harvard man. always to appear on the list of speakers, Carlisle and Herbert are not college else of these there would be no end; but men. Postmaster General Wilson is she is expected in the open discussion to say what she has to say modestly, courteously, sincerely and in a parliamentary manner, having no fear that her opinion will not be met in the same spirit. She brings her offering and she takes away greater gifts in return. There is probably no factor which has been more largely instrumental in smoothing away the sectional irritation left from the civil war than this mingling and commingling of the northern and southern women. Said one to me, showing how radically a woman's ideas may change: "I have been brought up to believe that hospiin it; but the engineers are unable to tality existed only among my own people in the south. I received an object lessen during my late visit to the north. for in Boston I was entertained, and not only I, but entirely uninterested visitors to the federation, in the same spirit and by the same cordial devices that I had heretofore supposed never

"I have seen the spirit of understanding, of appreciation and sisterhood increasing day by day. I have heard its ingenuous expression of surprise in the first revelation to a woman of her formernarrowness. I have been in Tennessee, in the bayou lands, in Florida, in Mis-\*issippi and South Carolina, the recipient of its generous fruition. We are all surprised to find that there never has been any real reason why we should 'thank the Lord that we were not born' in some other less favored land; for when brought together intelligently with a common purpose we are all, as a dear old lady expressed it, 'own folks.' And now the southern woman welcomes new ideas from her northern sisters graciously, often, however, molding them with her praceful hand to her own needs until they are almost unrecognizable."-Ladies' Home Journal.

How to Make Bananas Harmless. The banana yields more food to the acre than any other plant, and yet it disagrees with no end of northern stomachs. This is because we eat it the wrong way. But the wife of a missionary to the tropics tells the glad tidings from heathen shores of how to eat a banana. When you have stripped off the willing rind, just scrape off the stringy and hairy coat that lies beneath the rind and you may eat your banana without tasting it all the rest of the day .- Philadelphia Record.

Not Fit for a Juror. Lawyer-May it please the court, I object to that man as a juror.

Judge-Your reason? "I have three witnesses who can swear that it isn't a week since they saw him at a news stand looking over the papers."-N. Y. Weekly.

WAITING.

re I sit, alone, alone, ver list'ning for mine own, or his step, his laugh, his tone lke a flute note softly blown.

Will he never, nevermore Come in smiling at the door, With the rapt look that he wore en his task of love was o'er'

Will he never stoop and ray: Mother, I am tired to-day, Like a child from too much play; Kiss me in the dear old way?"

Nay! I cannot think it so. He will come to me, I know, Smiling sweet and specking low-He will come, or I will go.

Father! only let us greet, Here, or whereso'er his feet Go upon love's errands sweet. Send him-take me-as seems meet. -James Buckham, in Harper's Bazar.

"TO LET."

BY SHIRLEY BROWNE.



O," SAID Mrs. Powhave 'To Let' on the house. I am Brobdignags, and do not choose to with vermin." forego the privileges of long descent."

"But, mother," said Jeannette, read to burst into tears, "what are we to do The landlord has some privileges, I suppose, as well as we. And since you have determined to take a cottage in Ford ham for the summer-"

"Not that I have any objections," said Mrs. Powers, loftily waving her daughter's remonstrances away, "to any I ask is to see her for myself-to assure strictly respectable party viewing the premises at reasonable hours. What I mean is that I decline to have my house placarded up like a bargain at a dry goods store. And I have told the land lord so. And if Dorcas sees a 'To Let' on the doorpost she has strict orders to go out and remove it with a scrubbing brush and a pail of warm water." "Mamma is so impracticable," said

Louisa, the younger daughter, who was herself well over the thirties. "Of course," sighed Jeannette, "if a

house is to let, it's to let!" "The blood of the Brobdignags has

never yet been subjected to insult," said Mrs. Powers, with her Roman nose high in the air. "And it never shall be!" Mrs. Bridham Powers adhered to her

word. Twice during the morning a young man with a blue plaid necktie and a pencil behind his ear came and pasted up the obnoxious square of paper with the five fat black letters which the descendant of the Brobdignags could so ill tolerate. Twice Dorcas sallied forth. as soon as he had turned the corner, and obliterated every trace of it. Jeannette cried. Louisa laughed. Mrs. Powers sat like an empress in her casy-chai and did crewelwork, until, toward dusk, the young man requested special audience of the old lady.

"Now, ma'am, see here," said he. "This 'ere ain't business. And our governor, he's dumfounded!"

"Your expressions, young man," said Mrs. Powers, "are incomprehensible to me. If you are the bearer of any errand, you will please communicate it at once.' "It's a judicial court offense, ma'am,"

said the young man, "to tear down the landlord's bills."

Mrs. Powers went calmly on with her crewelwork. Louisa and Jeannette exchanged terrified glances. "But," added the messenger, "Mr.

Betts says as how, if you've got an insuperable objection to them bills, he'll send people between ten and fouronly real, bons-fide customers, ma'ans. Will that do? And we won't put up no notice."

Mrs. Powers reflected for a moment or two, and then remarked, frigidly, that she "supposed it would have to do." And the young man with the blue plaid necktie and the pencil behind his ear

went away rejoicing. At ten o'clock precisely the next day. there appeared a new actor upon the scene. Doreas came shuffling upstairs with the tidings that "a man wanted to

see the missus." "I do not propose to show every im-



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pertinent stranger over the place," said Mrs. Powers. "You may tell him so,

"Please, mum," said Dorcas, "I axed him wouldn't I do as well? And he said no. He wanted to see Mrs. Powers her-

Mrs. Powers rose, adjusted the ribbons in her cap, took off her eyeglasses and sailed down the stairs like a United all complete. States revenue cutter under full head-

The sheets of music were scattered ever the piano, just as Louisa had left them when she fled precipitately at the sound of the door bell; the etagere was undusted; the coals sulked behind the blower, and yesterday's bouquet was "Dear John loved me too well for that. wilted in a Venice glass. Altogether, And there's one thing to be thankful

figure outlined against the window from which Doreas had just been taking down the curtains.

"I called, ma'am-" began Mr. John-"Preliminaries are needless," said Mrs. Powers, with a wave of the hand.

"I am quite cognizant of your business,

"Oh!" said Mr. Johnson. "I didn't "Yes," said Mrs. Powers. "We have

been so tormented with applicants-" "Eh, have you?" said Mr. Johnson, "I was given to understand that I was the

"Nothing of the sort," said Mrs. Powers. "If there has been one person here on the same business, there have been a dozen."

"Humph!" said Mr. Johnson, in a perplexed way.

"Oh, yes," said Mrs. Powers. "I know all about it. If you decide in the affirmative, you will have but a bad bargain

"I didn't expect to hear anything of "I will not that sort," said Mr. Johnson.

"It is not usual, I believe," said Mrs. Powers. "But I feel it my duty to warn a descendant of the strangers. A moldy old thing, tottering rooms. I saw a man coming downfamily of the to the very foundations-sadly in need of paint, and I regret to add, infested

"Madam," shouted Mr. Johnson, "I will not stand here and listen to these foul asperations on one who is as good and pure as she is beautiful!"

Mrs. Powers retreated behind the bookcase, appalled by the sudden apprehension that she was confronting a maniac.

"And I am amazed to listen to such remarks from the lips of her own mother!" exclaimed Mr. Johnson. "All ber how little all these cruel asseverations affect my constancy. If ever a human creature wore the angelic shape, it is my Louisa!"

At this moment, Miss Louisa herself came in, her crimps loosened from the



"I-I MEANT THE HOUSE!"

confining hairpins, her calico wrapper x nanged for a more becoming garment of pale blue cashmere.

"Mamma!" she cried, "what is the matter? John!" with a well-simulated start of amazement, "this is never you!" Mrs. Powers, slowly recovering her equanimity, emerged cautionsly from behind the edge of the bookcase.

"There is some extraordinary misunderstanding here," said she. "This gentleman, then, is not a house-hunter?"

"What on earth should I hunt houses for, ma'am?" said Mr. Johnson, waxing a little irritable, "when I've got a good red brick mansion of my own, with gas, water and steam heat all complete?"

"Mamma," said Louisa, prettily embarrassed, "it's Mr. Johnson, Mr. Johnson, allow me to present you to my mother. Dear, dear, this is very embarrassing!"

"I should think it was!" curtly remarked Mr. Johnson. "I come here to ask permission to pay my addresses to Miss Louisa Powers, and I am told, with no more ceremony than one would expect from a chimney sweep, that she is a moldy old thing, and wants paint, and nobody knows what else!"

"I-I meant the house!" stammered Mrs. Powers, for once losing the selfpossession which had always distinguished the descendant of the Brobdignags. "Good gracious me-the idea of Louisa, there, being moldy! Why, just look at her!"

Mr. Johnson did look at Louisa. Louisa looked at him. Both burst out laughing. For the fair damsel in question, although she was two-and-thirty, was still rosy, fresh and blooming, with a little dimple in her left cheek, and a figure as trim as that of any girl of 18.

"Pray, accept my apologies, sir," said Mrs. Powers, gradually recovering her empress-like mien.

"I'll accept anything, ma'am," said consent to my marrying this lovely creature."

"Don't, John!" whispered Miss

Louisa. "But it's the truth," stoutly declared Mr. Johnson, "and I'd like to hear any-one dispute it!"

This little love passage was cut short by a ring at the door bell, and the sound of a hourse voice inquiring: "Is this the house to let?"

The Powers family went to Fordham on the 1st of May, to reside in an earwiggy little cottage, where there were more honeysuckles than modern conveniences; but the fair Louisa did not accompany them. She, as a bride, took possession of the red brick house, with the steam heat and patent ventilation

"But, dear me," said Jeannette, when she was helping drape the white muslin curtains in Mrs. Johnson's boudoir. "how near mamma came to breaking

up the match!" "Nothing would have broken up the match," said Mrs. Johnson, calmly. "Dear John loved me too well for that. the room was comfortless enough, as for—we own our own premises, so that Mr. John Johnson stood in the middle, the bouse can never be 'To Let' of it, his hat under his arm, his portly Woman's Journal.

CHINESE CHARACTERISTICS.

Mongolians in New York a Fun-Loving

The Chinese are fun-loving people, in spite of their general air of indifference in the presence of strangers. They race up and down stairs, or sometimes through the streets, on a frolic, every man laughing until he is out of breath, pulling cues, stealing bats, and playing all manner of practical jokes on one another. I recently heard a great commotion in Doyers street on a hot Sunday afternoon when the street was crowded with Chinamen, and, fearing trouble, huried hastily to the place, only to find one man, the butt of another man's joke, trying to get away from his pursuer, while about 500 laughing men joined in the fun, and finally administered good-natured justice to the perpetrator of the joke. At another time on Sunday afternoon I heard a sudden outery and scuffling overhead, and the running of scores of feet. I ran into the hall, fearing that the building was on fire, and with a sickening dread at my heart for the Italian children in Bethany Sunday school, which was then in sesion in the mission stairs and asked him what was the matter With a shrug of infinite disdain, he remarked: "Oh, my people too muchee laugh," and passed on his way. It was only a school-boy joke played by one group of men on another, followed by a general melee, in which shouts

and laughter, and the incessant clatter of wooden soles on board floors, made us think of "pandemonium let loose." Some of the keenest and purest humor and some of the wittiest sallies I have ever heard have fallen from the lips of Chinamen in lower New York. I well remember the amused and contemptuous look with which a Chinaman once said: "Melican man savee (understand) Chinaman alle same number one fool. Chinaman savee Melican man alle same. Chinaman every time gette top side Melican man"which does not contain a reference to pugilism, but merely means that in a battle of wits the Chinaman "sees through" the American man, and will come out on "top side." They are very quick at repartee, and their black eyes will sparkle with amusement and fun if you jest with them, or when they start the ball rolling among them-

selves. They dwell together for years in the same apartments, happy and comfortable. They minister to one another in sickness, bury a relative or neighbor when dead without calling on public charities for help, and in the case of a relative assume the support of the dead man when he is gone. These peopeople-these much derided peoplespend hours together in one another's apartments, conversing together, eating together, sometimes smoking the long water-pipe, always with a pot of steaming tea between them. years I have seen thousands of such groups, but never yet have I found these men drinking liquor together. I have found them playing cardssometimes, but not always, gambling: have found them playing their musical instruments, which are harmonious to them, however much they may lack of melody to other ears; or have found them reading or discussing the last Hong Konk or Shanghai daily; but I repeat I have never found them drinking liquor, or in any degree under the influence of intoxicants.

The Chinaman celebrates his wedding, not by a drunken carousal, but by the finest feast that his pocketbook can command, to which not only his immediate relatives are invited, but all who have the slightest claim of friendship upon him. A Chinaman who was recently married in Mott street gave three large feasts in as many restaurants, entertaining several hundred people at each, before he had gone the round of his acquaintances and friends. Yet this man was not one of the most prosperous ones A child's birthday is likewise celebrated with a feast, the wife entertaining her friends in the family home, while her husband entertains his friends at his place of business or in a public restaurant,-Helen F. Clark, in Century.

## THE MOON FLOWER.

A Plant That Will Delight the Senses of a Garden Lover.

The worldly worth of anything is usually measured by the amount of gratification or pleasure it may afford. Reasoning thus, the garden lover will find it worth his while to hunt a place to put a root or two of Ipomoea Bonanox, the well-known moon flower, next spring. It is only an annual; but a plant raised from a cutting during the winter afforded a great deal of pleasure to the writer in its situation on an arbor. The rapidity of its growth enables it to soon cover a small arbor. Its large, the good-natured bachelor, "if you will clear white flowers stand out from the background of broad, green leaves, making it visible even in the darkness of night, at which time the flowers are open. It is interesting to compare the times of opening and closing. The closing hours are from seven to eight a. m., and the opening about seven to eight p. m., the times apparently depending on atmospheric conditions. After the cool fall weather sets in, the time of blooming is irregular. The plant above mentioned omitted to bloom one night, and several days after the flowers might be seen during the day, and since at all times.

On two vines, 100 of the immense flowers were recently counted, and this amount is not a limit. Its great blooming ability is the more pronounced when we learn the life of a flower is but the one night, and a fresh set of flowers is produced continuously day

after day. The climbing is accomplished by the twining of the young shoots. A wire or stout string support, with a few wooden strips to bear the weight, is alone necessary .- Meehan's Monthly.

-William Black, the novelist, also paints portraits, is an all round sports an and an enthusiastic botanist.

HOW TO GET UP A "CENTURY" CLUB.

and Secure the Reading of the Greatest of Four Dollar Magusines for One Dollar. Everybody wants to take The Century during the coming year on account of its serials,"Cumpaigning with Grant," written by Grant's friend and staff officer, Gen. Horace Porter, and the povel of the American revolution, 'Hugh Wynne, Free Quaker," in which Washington is one of the characters. The Century costs \$4.00 a year, and many people are clubbing together in groups of four, each one securing the reading of the magazine one week in

the month. If you want The Century in 1897 (and who does not?) a little work among your friends will result in finding three others who want it too. Get one doilar from each of them, and send \$4.00 to The Century Company, Union square, New York, for a year's subscription. Begin with December, and the publishers will send you the November number free, in which these serials begin. There are many dollar magazines, but there is nothing like The Century, and by this arrangement it will cost you no more than a cheap magazine.

ONE MATRON -"Since I have been married I have taught my husband good taste."
Another-"Really! It is a good thing for
you that you did not teach him before you
were married."—Tit-Bits.

Low Rates for Homeseekers.

On the first and third Tuesday of each month, tickets will be sold to Homeseekers in the northwest at greatly reduced rates to visit Virginia and the Carolinas. Special low rates both one way and round trip. that your tickets read o er the Big Four free pamphlet descriptive of the farm lands, climate, markets, etc. U. L. TRUITT, Northwestern Passr. Agent, 234 Clark St., Chicago, Ill.

THE setting of a great hope is like the setting of the sun. The brightness of our life is gone, shadows of the evening fall around us, and the world seems but a broader shadow.—Longfellow.

False Witnesses. There are knaves now and then met with who represent certain local bitters and poisonous stimuli as identical with or possessing properties akin to those of Hostet-ter's Stomach Bitters. These scamps only succeed in foisting their trashy compounds upon people unacquainted with the genuine article, which is as much their opposite as day is to night. Ask and take no substitute for the grand remedy for malaria, dyspepconstipation, rheumatism and kidney

DOCTOR-"Now, what did your father and mother die of?" Applicant for Life In-surance—"Well, sir. I can't say as I exactly remember; but it wasn't anything serious.

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Don't go with the crowd simply because it is a crowd .- Ram's Horn

WHEN pain ceases, no sufferer ever regrets the price he paid for St. Jacobs Oil SUPERSTITIONS ABOUT NAMES.

The department of hearing, "ouie," belongs to St. Ouen. St. Eutrope, whom the peasants call Strope, will cure dropsy (French hydropsie). This saint

also has power to make the peas grow. How the superstition arose is unknown, but prudent gardeners always plant their peas on St. Eutrope's day, confident of a large crop. People subject to vertigo address

themselves to St. Avertin, and lunatics (in Italian matti) to St. Mathurin. We say that paralytics are "taken" (French pris), and St. Pris, according to superstition, is ready to come to their aid. Why does St. Anthony, of Padua, have the power to find lost objects? Because Padua is Italian Padova and lost ob-

jects were formerly called (in French)

Popular imagination attributes to certain saints a peculiar power over the muladies of mankind. These beliefs have nothing to do with religion, for while some churches set up saints as models whose virtues ought to be imitated they do not say they have power to remove sickness, famine or pestilence, and so these curious beliefs are due solely to word play. St. Main (French main, hand) and St. Genoa (genou, knee), have power over affections of those parts of the body. St. Clair and St. Euce are supposed to watch over the eyes.

A merchant who had died suddenly left in his bureau a letter to one of his correspondents which he had not sealed. His clerk, seeing it necessary to send the letter, wrote at the bottom: "Since writing the above I have died."

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Constitution

is a disease which afflicts over 75 per cent. of the American people, It is a dangerous disease because it not only poisons the blood but causes heaviness, oppression, and dulla the intellect. Then follow chronic headache, loss of appetite, slow digestion, nervousness, bad breath, dingy complexion and low spirits. It will eventually bring on liver and kidney disease in some incurable form. But sufferers from this dreaded malady are speedily

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Garden Spots of the South,

The Passenger Department of the Louisville & Nashville R. R. has pat issued a hundred page book with the above title. It is descriptive of the resources and capabili-ties of the soil of the counties lying along this line in the states of Kentucky, Tennes see, Alauama, Southern Mississippi and Western Florida. It also contains a county map of the above mentioned states, and is well worthy of a perusal of any one inter-ested in the South. A copy will be sent to any address upon receipt of ten cents in silany address appn by C. P. Atmore, Gen. Pass. Agt., Louisville, Ky. Semi-monthly excursions South Write for particulars.

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A good man finds good wherever he goes, because the good in him brings out good in others.—Ram's Horn.

On to Washington!

Those who contemplate visiting the capital during the Inauguration next March will do well to travel over the popular "Big For" and picturesque Chesapeake and Obio Ry. Write for descriptive pamphlet and exquesion rates. U. L. TRUITT, N. W. P. A., 234 Clark St., Chicago.

Boil down many a mau's religion, and it will be found to have been nothing but froth.-Ram's Horn.

McVicker's Theater, Chicago.

Week of Dec. 7-Jefferson in "Rip Van Winkle.", Week of Dec. 14-Double bill: "Lend Me Five Shillings" and "Cricket on the Hearth." Saturday matinees only. LET your mind be full, and you will want

little or nothing to fulfill your happiness,-Chicago Standard. For Wheoping Cough, Piso's Cure is a success'ul remedy, M. P. Dinter, 67 Throop Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y., Nov. 14, '94.

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vertisement may be found in another co-num, their attractive pamphlet for 1807, of which five million copies, it is stated, are being distributed it e by druggists. It contains besides advertising matter, blographical sketches and portraits of the Presidents of the United States including President-elect McKinley. The perusal of the pamphlet affords abundant proof that Warner's Sa e Cure Co., which has swenty years of success back of it, is as twenty years of success back active and enterprising as ever. Oca lives are the open volume the world.

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better to-morrow;" but the chances are be will feel worse to-morrow and worse stillnext day. He ought to put himself right at once. He needs Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. It is made for just this condition. It rouses up the digestive and nutritive organs, and gives them power to extract from the food all the nutritious elements. and transform them into rich, nourishing blood. It enables the liver to cleanse out all bilious impurities and pour into the circula-tion an abundance of highly vitalized blood, full of the life-giving red corpuscles which build up healthy flesh, muscular strength, and nerve-energy. It does not make flabby flesh. It is the only suitable tonic and strength-builder for corpulent people.

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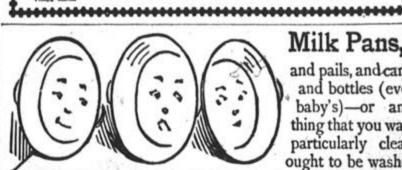
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USE NO OTHER THAN YUGATAN:

## The Iron Port

THE IRON PORT CO......Publishers LEW. A. CATES,......Editor and Manager

The News-Tribune pays Gov. Rich the following well-deserved compliment "In all the positions he has held, and especially in his two terms as chief executive of a great state, John T. Rich has exhibited a sturdy independence, a high moral integrity and a devotion to his duty as he saw it, which have kept his name free from scandal and made him respected even by those who differed from him in politics. If his period of service has not been distinguished by great deeds, it has been equally free from great blunders. There are few men who can look back on so long a public career and find in it so little to regret."

The Iron Port has not often been in accord with Roger Q. Mills, but when, one day last week, he asked other; that is to have the encampcongress to direct the president to take possession of Cuba with the military and naval forces of the United States "and hold the same until the people or Cuba can organize a government deriving its powers from the consent of the governed, and arm and equip such military and naval forces as may be necessary to secure them against invasion," he came very near expressing its desire as well as his own.

Bryan wants to keep up the anteelection yawp but a sensible silverite, Charles D. Lane, of California, chairman of the national silver committee, wants it stopped saying that "If it can be demonstrated by actual experiment that the theories advanced by the republican party in the recent election will bring to the people the promised relief, every bimetallist in the United States will be as free to acknowledge his error as he was candid in supporting his principles in the past campaign."

"Weyler must speak" (concerning the death of Maceo) says a contemporary. Oh, he will speak, fast enough; he is capable of swearing that the Cuban committed suicide because of remorse for his opposition to Spain, or of telling any other story that may suit his purpose. The thing he "must" do is to get out of Cuba with a whole skin, if he can. He and his subordinate, Ahumada, are outside the pale of honorable war and should be hunted like wolves.

The thing he "subordinate of the statute in such case made and provided, the said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgage premises there in described, at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front door of the court house in the city of Escansba in said county of Delta [that being the place where the circuit court for Delta county is holden], on the aird day of February A. D. 1897, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of that day. Which said premises are described in said mortgage, and which is the whole amount claimed to be unpaid on said mortgage, and wo suit or proceeding having been matituted at law to recover the debt now remaining secured by said mortgage, and which is the whole amount claimed to be unpaid on said mortgage, and which all write recover the debt now remaining secured by said mortgage, and which is the whole amount claimed to be unpaid on said mortgage, and mo suit or proceeding having been matituted at law to recover the debt now remaining secured by said mortgage, and mo suit or proceeding having been matituted at law to recover the debt now remaining secured by said mortgage, and mo suit or proceeding having been matituted at law to recover the debt now remaining secured by said mortgage, and mo suit or proceeding having been matituted at law to recover the debt now remaining secured by said mortgage, and mo suit or proceeding having been matituted at law to recover the debt now remaining secured by said mortgage, and mo suit or proceeding having been matituted at law to recover the debt now remaining secured by said mortgage, and mortgage, and mortgage, and mortgage, and mortgage, and mortga temporary. Oh, he will speak, fast

Senator Call, of Florida, brings the assassination of Maceo to the attention of the senate by a resolution characterizing it as an outrage of base treachery, a murder cowardly and disgraceful, which demands the execration of every government and of all the world, whether civilized or savage, and asks that the committee on foreign relations be directed to make inquiry as to the facts and report to the senate at an early day.

If the movement to reenforce the Cubans shall continue to grow as it has started, nothing on earth can avail to prevent an army of volunteer Americans going to support and succor the distressed patriots. President, congress, navy and standing army are all powerless to stay a movement which appeals so strongly to every instinct of justice and right.

The house has resolved that there shall be no more "cold tea" sold in the national capital but it is not thought that the senate will agree. To forbid the restaurants the privilege would result merely in sending the bottles and glasses to the committee rooms; it has been tried, with that result, before.

Now President Cleveland is in trouble; the Turkish ambassador threatens to go and Liliuokalani has come. The Sultan growls at him and Lil comes begging. He could ma age to get through his term in spee of the Turk but the Kanaka has not come so far to be denied.

fr. Pingree is all right as to Cuba. H. vants Uncle Sam to buy the island if that can be done, but to take Spain will not sell. "If this convery can not put a stop to that of warfare," says he, "it had be r stop contributing to foreign

hile all of the great foreign are constantly increasing navies Uncle Sam need offer no ev for strengthening his navy coast defences. An apology he due, however, if he ne-I to do so, and a good licking

gover Cleveland had blood in is instead of water he would the the murder of Maceo

to action in favor of the Cuban republic. As it is the Cubans and Hawaiians must wait until a man takes the place of the iceberg in the

Maceo is dead, sure. He was not killed in fair fight or even ambuscaded. He was invited to meet the Spanish commander and went, under flag of truce, to do so. Then the cowardly Spaniards butchered him.

Gov. Pingree says that, in the event that his suggestions concerning taxation of railroads are not followed, "I shall make trouble." The threat seems hardly good form, but is probably a statement of fact.

With all the late improvements there is no more formidable fighting ship afloat than the Puritan, one of the Ericsson monitors built by John Roach but only now placed in commission.

Gov. Pingree has one idea which suits the people of the u. p. if no ment of the militia held at Mackinac island. Best place in the state for the purpose.

It should be stated that the irri gation congress is not an annex to the other congress that recently adopted a resolution to prevent the sale of red liquor in the capitol.

If that waspish little republic of Venezuela is not content with what this government has done for it let her fight out her quarrel with Great Britain as she best can.

The state departments at Lansing will see lots of new faces very soon after Ne s Years.

### Legal Notices.

(First Publication, Nov. 28th, 1896)

M ORTGAGE SALE, —Whereas default has been made in the payment of the money secured by a mortgage dated the second day of November A. D. 1891, executed by Moses LaPlant and Margaret LaPlant his wife, of Escanaba, Michigan, to A. V. Lindquist of the same place, which said mortgage was recorded in the office of the register of deeds in the county of Delta, in liber "1" of mortgages on page 327, on the third day of November A. D. 1893; and whereas the amount claimed to be dee on said mortgage at the date of this notice is the sum of two hundred and seventy-five cents (\$a17,75) of principal and interest, and the further sum of fifteen dollars [\$15.00] as an attorney fee stipulated for in said mortgage, and which is the whole amount claimed to be unpaid on said mortgage, and no suit or proceeding having

Lot number twenty seven (27) of block number three (3) of the Hessel and Hentschel addition to the city of Escanaba, according to the recorded plat

thereof.
Dated at Escanaba, November 25, 1895.
A. R. Norrhur,
Autorney for Mortgagee. A. V. Lindquist,
Mortgagee.

(First Publication Dec. 12, 1896)
CTATE OF MICHIGAN, County of Delta,

Notice is hereby given, that by an order of the Probate Court for the County of Delta, made on the 7th day of Dec. A. D. 1806, six months from that date were allowed for creditors to present their claims against the estate of Matthew W. Naylor late of said County, deceased, and that all creditors of said deceased are required to present their claims to said deceased. County, deceased, and that all creditors of said deceased are required to present their claims to said probate court, at the probate office, in the city of Escanaha, for examination and allowance, on or before the 8t day of June, A. D., 1897, and that such claims will be heard before said court, on Monday the 1st day of March A. D., 1897, and on Tuesday the 8th day of June A. D., 1897, at ren o'clock in the forenoon of each of those days.

Dated, Escanaba, Michigan, Dee 7th, A. D., 1896.

EMIL GLASER, Judge of Probate

First Publication Dec. 13, 1895.

CHANCERY SALE.—In pursuance and by virtice of an order and decree of the Circuit court for the county of Delta, in chancery, in the state of dichigan, made and dated on the twenty-fourth day of January, A. D. 1895, in a certain cause therein pending wherein the Security Savings and Loan Association, a corporation is complainant and Alphonse Wasmer and Minnie Wasmer are defendants, notice is hereby given that I shall sell at public auction to the highest bidder at the front door of the court house, in the city of Escanaba, county of Delta and state of Michigan, (said court house being the place for holding the circuit court for said county) on Tuesday the ofth day of January, A. D. 1897, at ten o'clock in he forenoon, all those certain premises described as follows, to-wit: All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in the county of Delta and state of Michigan, described as follows, to w t. Lot eleven (1) of Block thirty-eight (38) of Campbell's Addition Number two (2) to the city of Fiscanaba, according to the plat thereof on file or of record in the office of the Register of Deeds in and for said county of Delta and state of Michigan.

Dated Escanaba, Mich. December 12th A. 11

Dated Escanaba, Mich., December 19th, A. D. THOMAS B. WHITE, Spe. ial Commissioner, appointed by the

SMITH AND EMPSON, Solicitors for Complainant.

First Publication, Dec. 12th, 1826.

MORTGAGE SALE.—Default having been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by John Magnuson and Emilia Magnuson, his wife, to Frank Buell, dated the third day of December A. D. 1822 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for the county of Delta and state of Michigan, on the 12th day of December A. D. 1823, in Liber L. of Mortgages, on p. 92 350, on which mostgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice the sum of six hundred five and 93-100 dollars (\$44.10) for taxes paid by raid mortgage as provided for in said mortgage, and an attorney fee of twenty-five dollars provided for in said mortgage, and an autorney fee of twenty-five dollars provided for in said mortgage at the date of this notice, the sum of six hundred seventy-five and 14-100 follars (\$67,114), and no svit or proceedings at law having been instituted to recover the moneys secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof.

Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that the said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the premises therein described, (or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount, the on said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the premises therein described, (or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount, the on said mortgage with laterest at seven per cent per annum,

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## Personal Pointers

The C. M. R. C. meet at the home of Mrs. Elliot on Tuesday evening, at which meeting the following program was rendered. Roll call answered by quotations; Reading of the minutes; Bible Reading, Mrs. Wickert; Ancient History Greece; Miscellaneous, Pleading of a Soul, Mrs Wall; Paper, Alexander The Great, Mrs. Wickert; Greek Literature and Philosophy, Mrs Rooney; Questions answered and distributed.

Donations for the poor (consisting of groceries, dry goods, froit, etc.,) will be received in the basement of St. Joseph's church on next Thursday (Dec. 24). The same will be distributed by the Ladies Aid Society. Persons donating are earnestly requested to have their donations in the basement by 1 o'clock, as the ladies want to deliver them before dark.

Holy Family court of the Women's Catholic Order of Foresters held its first anniversary last Monday evening. A gold cross was presented to Mrs. Geo. Hughes, chief officer of the court during the preceding year, and the evening was pleasantly spent. The court is prosper-

Irvin Despins has a verdict against the St. Paul Railway Co. for \$11,000 for the loss of a leg but the case will go to the supreme court of Wisconsin. He can't touch the stuff yet.

H. B. Horton, for the Chamberlain Medicine Co., called on The Iron Port Wednesday. He transferred the agency of the Chamberlain medicines to Groos & Son.

Adam Reis, of Rapid River, had a fast ride down Ludington street Wednesday. his horse having become ungovernable, and a spill at the end, but not much hurt.

W. H. Hill, of Manistique, will remove to Menominee on the 1st proximo to take the general management of a couple of lumber concerns there.

Owen Currran was in town Tuesday. He has dropped 150 pounds of superfluous flesh and looks as tough as whipcord.

Henry Armstrong, conductor on the Northwestern, is down with an attack of pneumonia at his home in Green Bay, Louis Jerome, of Rapid River, and Wm. Bonefas, of Garden, visited the county seat Weduesday.

Mrs. C. J. Carlson has this week visited her parents in this city. Her residence is Munising.

Dr. Minahan, of Green Bay, was called hither Wednesday as counsel in the case of John Cotterill. J. F. Redfield, of Green Bay, and C. J.

Byrnes, of Hermansville, were in town H. H. Winde and A. Beeson, of Bald-

win, were in town on business Wednes

Mrs. J. F. Carey has been quite ill during the past ten days but is convalescent. Clayton Voorhis, of Gladstone, was in town on business last Tuesday.

P. C. McGowen's family has joined him, at Munising, this week.

Mrs. McRae is very low again and her condition critical.

Postmaster Hartnett was in Detroit Wednesday.

The exercises of the Methodist Sunday School will be held in the church Thursday evening. There will be a Christmas tree and a program rendered by the school. No admission fee will be

charged but a collection will be taken. The next lecture of the course managed by the M. E. people will be given by Prof. Goodrich, the subject to be "On Horseback through Palestine." Further

announcement in due season. Fr. Barth, of Stephenson, visited Fr. Mesnard, of Ste. Anne's, last Monday. Fr. Barth will preach in Ste. Anne's

Christmas eve. Geo. J. Farnsworth has resigned the supervisorship of Nahma township and M. J. McGee has been chosen to fill the

G. M. West and his family departed for their winter home, St. Andrew's Bay,

Florida, Wednesday evening. Peter Baker, of Ford River, was in town on Tuesday last in apparent good

health and spirits. R. L. Hull departed last Sunday evening to winter at his old home in Con-

necticut. Frank Atkins is down with typhoid fever and is a very sick man, but is doing

"Monty" Chamberlain wants the position now occupied by Hon. John Power. Rev. Mr. Fraser, presiding elder, occupied the Methodist pulpit last Sunday.

Miss Kate Fogarty has returned from an extended visit in Minnesota. John Ward and wife departed Monday to visit at Chicago.

Dr. Todd lectured at Manistique last Monday evening. Ole Gunderson made a trip with his

boat Thursday.

Miss May Miller, of Ashland, is visiting

The M. E. church was packed to the doors Monday night and every one present enjoyed a treat. Hon. Washington Gardner told the story of "the struggle for Chattanooga" in his inimitable style.

Fred Olmsted having vacated the supervisorship of Garden by removal from the township, Wm. Kauthen has been appointed to succeed him.

O. T. Holland left this forenoon for Escanaba where he will soon take unto himself a wife and shortly after New Years remove to Chicago to live.-North

B. A. Hall, of Milwaukee, representa- Son are requested to call and settle their

Co., visited his customers here Monday and Tuesday and "stocked them up."

Rev. C. O. Olauder, who went from here to Marinette, now goes to a church at South Stillwater, Minu.

Mrs. Schram has returned from a visit at Munising and her daughter, Mrs Marcus, accompanied her.

Comsellor Donovan, of Gladstone, and his daughter were Escanaba visitors on Thursday. Hon. O. B. Fuller reached home, from

visit at Lansing and Detroit, last Dan McCarthy is at home again, having been employed some months at Chi-

Misses McDonald and Bourcier, of Gladstone, "shopped" in this city Tues-

Michael Olive and Miss Mary Cote were married by Justice Brown last Monday. A. H. Fuller, of Oshkosh, and A. Sant,

of Menominee, were in town Tuesday. Ben. Douglass and Mary Lagrange, of Barkville are licensed to marry. Mrs. Geo. Douglass, of Barkville, visit-

ed here Tuesday. John Christie was at Green Bay Wednesday.

P. C. McGowen, of Escanaba, has been in town for the past week. He is in Munising with a view of getting an electric light franchise,-Munising Re-

The officers of the A. O. H. for the ensuing year are J. S. Doberty president, J. E. Patton, vice-president, N. C. Gallagher, treasurer and John Colbert secre-

The ladies of the order of the Eastern Star propose to give a series of parties. If you are bidden regard it as a compliment and attend.

Mrs. Egan, of Marquette, has this week visited her sister, Mrs. B. D. Wine-

G. W. Le Faverand wife, of Gladstone, visited at Green Bay Wednesday.

Erick Olson has sold his business at Barkville to A. Beeson, Sr. Congressman Stephenson will be at

home on Christmas. Harry Thompson has returned from a

visit at Green Bay. Ben Cholette, of Shaffer, was in town | your money. Wixson & Son. Thursday.

Allen Tyrrell has gone home for the holidays.

Robert Hastie is dangerously ill. St. Joseph's court, C. O. F. has chosen the following officers for the ensuing year: Chief ranger, J. M. Hartnett; vice chief ranger, F. J. Defnit; recording secretary, Ed. F. Bolger; financial secretary, M. Donovan; treasurer, Q. R. Hessel; trustees, John Ryan, J. Delorier and E. M. StJacques.

A. S. Warn and wife entertained a few of their friends Thursday evening, the octheir marriage.

W. W. McQueen is now a benedict, having been married to Miss Jennie Chester, of Portage, Wis.

Edmund Heath and Etbel L. Fritz, of Gladstone, were married, in this city, months. In speaking of it, Mr. Robin- out at Sourwine & Hartnett's. Thursday evening.

Hugh Robertson went to Chicago last week to undergo a second operation upon his eye.

T. Killian visited in Escanaba township, with the family of Dan Carroll, this

T. B. White was called to Milwaukee this week on professional business. Eddie Boddy has a broken arm and a

scalp wound but is doing nicely. Miss Matie Marston, who has been quite ill, is now convalescent.

David McGirr has moved into town, from Escanaba township. Gus. Nelson's little daughter has bron-

chitis-a sharp attack. Henry Bartman, of Sack Bay, visited here this week.

Mel. Young is at home again after a visit outside. Casper Bartley is down with la grippe.

City Short-Notes, The lover can send his sweetheart no more acceptable present at Christmas than a "box" of laces, and he can find

them at Greenhoot's. "A good wagon road up the Escanaba river for fifteen or twenty miles" is suggested for the consideration of the coun-

ty road commissioners. Save money by buying Jewelry and Silverware for the holidays of H. M.

Abenstein, corner of Ludington and Charlotte streets. Herrmann, the magician, is dead. He

was 52 years old.

Escanaba Township Treasurer's Notice. Notice is hereby given to the tax-payers of Escanaba township that the rolls are now in my hands and their taxes due and payable. I will be at my residence in said township every Friday during the month of December to receive payment. JOBN LAWRENCE, Treas.

First Nat. Bank of Escanaba, Mich. The annual meeting of the stock holders of this bank for the election of directors will be held at the banking house on Tuesday, January 12th, 1897, betweenthe hours of ten a. m. and two p. R. LYMAN, Cashier.

Wells Township Treasurer's Notice. The tax-rolls for Wells township are now in my hands for collection and I Co. every week day during the month of December to receive payment of taxes. R. E. McLean, Treasurer.

Stove Wood for Sale.

The I. Stephenson Co. will deliver pine stove wood to order, at any point in the city at \$2.00 per cord. Office at foot of Ludington street.

Call and Settle At Once. All persons indebted to F. Sheedlo & tive of the Racine Wagon and Carriage | accounts at once, F. Sheedlo & Son.

## Municipal Gossip.

Major C. T. Picton is manager of the tate Hotel, at Denison, Texas, which the traveling men say is one of the best hotels in that section. In speaking of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy Major Picton says: "I have used it myself and in my family for several years, and take pleasure in saying that I consider it an infallible cure for diarrhoea and dysentery. I always recommend it, and have frequently administered it to my guests in the hotel, and in every case it has proven itself worthy of unqualified endorsement. For sale by Groos & Son, Druggists.

The "saloon-question"-that is whether or not the law regulating the sale of liquor shall be enforced-is now agitating the Gladstonians.

The husband will find at Greenboot Brothers' just the article to please his wife on Christmas morning and it won't cost him a fortune to buy it, either.

The only really swell perfumes, in endless variety, at Sourwine & Hartnett's two stores.

The twelfth annual issue of the Columbia Pad Calendar has made its appearance in more pleasing form than ever before, having scattered through its daily leaves many charming illustrations, with an appropriate thought or verse for each day in the year. Among the topics are bicycling, outdoor life, and good roads. The cycling fraternity, to say nothing of the general public, has acquired a decidely friendly feeling for the Columbia Calendar, and its annual advent is always looked forward to with interest and pleasure.

Latest: Books that are talked about at Sourwine & Hartnett's two stores.

Hankerchiefs and Mufflers are always acceptable holiday gifts and Greenhoot Brothers' have a splendid line to choose

We make the Mat Surface Photos and at ruinous Prices. All work first class and at half Prices. Come early and save

Over 7,000,000,000 feet of logs have during the past 20 years. There are at | timber standing in the pineries to-day two stores. that is tributary to this river. A goodly part of this amount will probably be forests, but Menominee mills will saw lumber many years yet .- Herald.

Call at Greenhoot Brothers' for Christmas presents-useful as well as orna-

F. Sheedlo & Son are offering everycasion being the 40th anniversary of thing in harnesses, robes, whips, blank- I purchased a bottle of Chamberlain's ial prices until Jan. 1st.

> nent lumberman of Hartwick, N. Y., sale by Groos & Son, Druggists. was sick with rheumatism for five Ladies' Initial Watches, latest thing

son says: "Chamberlain's Pain Balm the only thing that gave her any rest from pain. For the relief of pain it caunot be beat." Many very bad cases of rheumatism have been cured by it. For sale at 50 cents per bottle by Groos & Son, Druggists.

The Soo sets a good example: An ordinance prohibiting the throwing of snow balls on the streets of the city has been passed, and will take effect Dec. 30. The penalty for a violation of the ordiance is \$20, or ninety days in jail, or both, in the discretion of the justice.

A heavy double harness for \$30 at F. Sheedlo & Son's, former price \$40. A \$20 single harness for \$14. A \$12 harness for \$9.00. All guaranteed the best on the market. F. Sheedlo & Son. Silver novelties never before seen in Es-

canaba at Sourwine and Hartnett's. The Soo News, telling the story of the persecution of C. W. Dunton, at Manistique, thus characterizes one of our "limbs of the law": "a young whippersuapper, jackanape of a pettilogger, named Clancy, of Escanaba, who had been sent for by the mobbers," which is not polite language.

The old dry-goods emporium, Greenboot's, is loaded with goods suitable for holiday presents to which the attention of all is invited.

Educate the people, old and young, with good books and cameras. Buy them at Mead's.

Books that have made their authors famous at Sourwine & Hartnett's two

The Upper Peninsula Medical Society will meet in this city on the 12th day of February, 1897.

For the relief of the poor of the city only \$192 was expended in November. Not a bad showing by any means.

The city council met on Tuesday evening last, audited bills, re-enacted an ordinance which was not binding by reason of an irregularity in its original passage, heard Director Warn's report and adjourned.

Why not be sensible and buy a book for Xmas. Any book in the market furnished by Mead at Chicago prices. Peter Rule was accidentally killed at

the Pewabic mine Wednesday afternoon. Don't fool away your money on toys, but buy a camera tor \$3.50, \$5.00,\$7.50 been floated down the Menominee river or more and you will be happy. Mead. If you want to be able to discuss the least 4,000,000,000 feet of all kinds of latest books, see Sourwine & Hartnett's

When most needed it is not unusual for your family physician to be away cut along the railroads penetrating the from home. Such was the experience of Mr. J. Y. Schenck, editor of the Caddo, Ind., Ter., Banner, when his little girl, two years of age was threatened with a severe attack of croup. He says: "My wife insisted that I go for a doctor, but as our family physician was out of town ets, bells, driving mittens, etc., at spec- Cough Remedy, which relieved her immediately. I will not be without it in The wife of Mr. D. Robinson, a promile the future." 25 and 50 cent bottles for

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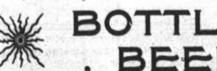
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SEWSPAPER LAWS.

### "ATWEEN THE LIGHTS."

When twilight stealing softly down
The far-off eastern hills
Lingers in shadows cool and brown
Beside the woodland rills, Beside the woodland rais, lafore the evening lamp is lit, In the pleasant gloaming hour, witching spell—I love it well— Ensnares me with its power.

I gaze with yearning heart afar, . Through the deep and tender blue, And the first pure limpid even star Seems a lamp to light me through, Beyond the curtain which hath hid Long from my eager eyes The pearly streams with silver gleams, And the hills of Paradise.

And I catch a glimpse of the shining feet That walk the Heavenly way. Is it fancy alone that the golden street I can plainly see to-day? And my loved ones, clad in snowy robes. On the Master's errands sent, Who to and fro with glad steps go? To my heart it brings content

Thank God for life with its busy hours Of earnest hopeful toil; Thank Him who gives these varied pow ers-

This world with fruitful soil. But oh, how sweet the even song At the close of the weary day, When in trustful prayer each cumbering

May be peacefully laid away.

Thank God for the hopes that gird our hearts With courage and love and faith; Courage to meet earth's keenest darts

And to conquer the grim foe, Death-Faith, in patience and love, to wait Till, after this earthly night, In Paradise for our longing eyes, Our "Faith shall be lost in sight. -Meta E. B. Thorne, in Banner of Gold.

### TWO MEN AND A MAID.

"Why don't you tell Louis of his asked Mme. Dupuis of her daughter them good-by. Hortense, as they stood opposite each other before their easels, copying two of the oid paintings in the Louvre gal- Louis' table.

"Why should I annoy Louis, who is quite jealous enough without any prov- checked his good impulse, and he ocation?" said Hortense.

"Jules is a lazy, incompetent, unworthy fellow," remarked the mother, the meaning of the words he turned "and will not earn all his life as much | pale, but, controlling his feelings as he as Louis makes in a year."

"Poor Jules. He cannot sell his pictures," said Hortense.

claimed Mme. Dupuis. "His mother placed him in an office when he was 15, francs, the chance of making as much glasses with his friends. more with his own commerce, and the rospect of becoming a partner. On sale of his previous one."

Hortense merely said: "Poor Jules," and went on with her painting.

Mme. Dupuis was a widow with a moderate amount of rents, which she and Hortense augmented by painting copies of the old masters in the Louvre for English and American tourists, who were more inclined to buy such under the empire than they seem to be now that France has a republican form of government, though why the constitutional changes should act upon the independent rule of art is difficult to say.

A few months from that morning when Hortense and her mother were talking over their work, the world was to see the beginning of that great crisis from which France has not yet recovered. The terrors of conscription are only too truly emphasized when the hazard of the drawing is really a game of life and death, when the augmentation of a country's soldiers is rendered needful by the imminence of war. Such was the case in France on the eve of the Franco-German struggle. All the reserves were called out, and the empire prepared for the mighty combat with its redoubtable antagonist. Jules Lemoine walked into the office

of his cousin Louis. His visits had been rare enough at the bureau of his prosperous relative, whose success embittered the feelings of his needy and irregular cousin, but Louis had never quite broken off association with the

"Good morning, M. Louis," said Jules, somewhat flippantly, "I have dared to intrude upon your valuable moments to bid you good-by."

"Good-by?" echoed Louis, inquiringly, as he looked up from his correspondence, "Have you some commission abroad?"

"I have a commission to paint the fields of Germany blood-red," answered Jules, boastfully; "at least," he added, "I have no commission, being only of the rank and file, but that is the work I am going to execute." "Oh, yes," said Louis, "you were

drawn two years ago." "Our corps is now called out, and I join to-morrow," explained Jules. "I

think you paid for a substitute." "Yes," answered the other; "it was not such an expensive proceeding then ters which were improvised as hospi-

the same way." "I had no money to spare," said Jules; "besides, what did it matter to me whether I was handling a brush or wielding a rifle? A poor beggar with nothing to live for may console himself

that he has a country to die for." "A country gains by a citizen's life, time of the lust of empire and the not by his death. A man who extends pride of power, were two French sole nmerce of his fellow-country-

At any rate, his life is more comfortble and remunerative," said Jules. "As for myself, Mme. Dupuls has made valueless for me."

Louis' eyes flashed for a second, then that peat house hastily and improperly, for there was no sign of gangrene of "I do not see how Mme. Dupuis can blood poisoning in his symptoms. have affected your life."

"Bo you wish to see, Louis Lemoine?" asked the other. "In the same way that you have done; you have blighted my life by thwarting my love."

was hindered in its fulfillment by place?" either Mme. Dupuis or myself? Do you think that a young lady like Hortense, whose existence has never been in discord with the refinements of her social surroundings, could ally herself with-" he was about to say "a vagabond," but he corrected himself and added-"a Bohemian like you?"

"She may not have the same contempt for me that you have for your father's nephew," said Jules. "Well, it does not matter much now, at any rate for the present. We shall see if I return with my shield or upon it. Meanwhile, do not think that you know all the secrets of Hortense's heart."

Then he strode out of the office, leaving his cousin with another sudden accession of pession, which only cooled down into suspicion and discontent.

What secrets did Hortense confide to Jules which she did not tell her lover? Thus she has enabled this man to boast of an intimacy which she ought not to gery!" have accorded to him.

He would have questioned Hortense on the subject that very day, but she and her mother had gone to England on a visit to a relative who had made that country his home. He did not care to write to her on such an indefinite statement as that suggested by Jules, who, after all, might be only bragging end lying. Then Lemoine applied himself to the details of commerce once more, and tried to forget his previous annovance.

The next morning Jules, decked in his regimentals, entered his cousin's office again. He was flushed and excited, and had evidently been pledging cousin's persistent attention to you?" his friends of the studio in bidding

> "I have brought that letter from Hortense," he said, as he flung a paper on

For a moment Louis was about to return it to Jules unread, but his jealousy opened and read the note which his cousin had brought. As Louis grasped handed the paper back to his cousin, he merely said:

"Such a confidence, I think, should "Louis had no such ambitions!" ex- hardly have been placed in a man who can so readily violate it."

Then he turned his back upon Jules. now he is only 26 and he is the confi- who strutted out with a tipsy defiance, dential manager of Henri Constant & and prepared himself for his departure Company, with an income of 20,000 to join his corps by a few more farewell

This, then, was the secret of Hortense which he had that day learned. Her the other hand, his rascal of a cousin love was for Jules, but her mother had never thinks of beginning a picture compelled her to accept the rich cousin while he has a napoleon left from the and repulse the poor one. Should he write to Hortense and upbraid her for her insincerity? How could he do so when he had hardly respected himself in reading the letter unaddressed to him?

> Each moment the thought of the iaithlessness of Hortense augmented his anger and roused a desperate craving for action. The next morning he informed Constant & Co. that he must retire from his office, as it was his intention to join the ranks of the French army as a private soldier.

"My dear Lemoine," said Henri Contant, "this is simply Quixotic. "The war is not one of self-defense, but one of ambition."

Louis was resolute, however, in his plan of action.

"Well," sighed Henri Constant, "if you are decided, there's an end. We must give you a year's leave, though goodness knows how we shall conduct the business without you."

Louis smiled bitterly.

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In the last year of the empire, as in the final days of the previous one, haste and precipitation took the place of care and caution; the soldiers were rushed through their drills with as little attention as was applied to their kits, the one object in view being that of having a large army to take the field as soon as war should have been declared; the provisions indispensable for the campaign were considered as duly supplied, on the strength of those official returns which were accepted as unimpeachable. the supplies of the ammunition itself being almost taken as a matter of

All this was too soon realized before the fatal month of August had but little more than half run its course, each day bringing the outnumbered Frenchmen nearer to their doom in the disastrous year of 1870.

The defeats of Gravelotte and Rezonville had compelled the retreat of the forces into Metz, leaving many of the wounded to the promiscuous attention of the victors. Without asserting that they were worse cared for than were those wounded on the conquering side, it is certain that the French soldiers who were left on the field had a very had time of it. In the crowded shelas it would be now; I am surprised that tals, the dangers that were not the you did not study your convenience in least terrible arose from gangrene and pyaemia, and the symptoms of these fatal developments quickly doomed their sufferers to the inferno o'er which might have been written the dread warning: "Abandon hope, all ye that enter here."

Among the crowd of the doomed vicpride of power, were two French soldiers hurried in with the rest. One had men loto foreign markets is more of a patriot than he who writes his country's name in blood upon the stranger's breast contusion, caused from the frag suffered amputation of both his legs, breast contusion, caused from the fragment of an exploding shell, and was in peril from the shock, rather than from the gravity of the effects of the wound, which could not be considered serious. In any case he had been brought to

for there was no sign of gangrene of blood poisoning in his symptoms.

As the former rolled his head from

side to side upon the straw spread over the earth of the shed where he lay, his eyes fell upon the form of his neighbor. "Heavens!" he exclaimed, 'am I mad? "Please do not talk nonsense," said Louis Lemoine, for you must be, how Louis. "Do you think that your love do I find you a comrade of this accursed

> For a moment the other was struck silent in his astonishment.

> "Jules," he at last gasped, "do we meet under such a cloud of misery? What you revealed to me made life unendurable, and the day after you left me I volunteered into the service in which I had already supplied a substitute. I wanted to die."

> The heaving chest of Jules, who was past all physical suffering, betrayed a mental torture.

> "Louis," he stammered, "forgive me; I shall soon have to plead for pardon elsewhere. I was envious of all your good fortune. I felt that but for you Hortense might be mine. When I saw you so safe and prosperous and happy the devil got possession of my heart. I went away and wrote the letter which I showed you. It was not written by Hortense. I used one of her notes to me to copy her writing. It was a for-

> As if suddenly electrified, Louis sprang from the straw with the impulse of vengeance in his soul. But as he looked at the poor dying wretch who was of the same blood as his, compassion conquered anger, and, stooping down, he kissed him and whispered:

> "I forgive." It was only in time. The excitement had exhausted the little strength of the moribund soldier, who sank down in his wretched bed, closing his life with penitence and confession. Like a dreaming man, Louis left this Walhalla of misery, where the heroes changed their shouts for Vaterland and La Patrie to dying groans and shricks of agony. No one took much account of those helpless men, and thus Louis emerged from the place unnoticed, and mixed with others who were prisoners like himself, wounded and hors de combat, awaiting the outcome of events which they could no longer influence. If all had such heavy grief at heart

> as he had, Heaven help them! More than a year had passed when Mme. Dupuis and her daughter returned to Paris to find their home wrecked during the rule of the commune, and at last to put themselves in communication with their own countrymen. They had heard from Henri Constant, in reply to their inquiry, that Louis had joined the army, but the disorders of the year had prevented any further communication with him.

"I regret, ladies," said Henri Constant, "that we have no news of Lemoine. He was missing after Grav- of the autumnal equinox. At that seaclotte, and I fear that he must have son the full moon travels in a path very been left upon the field of battle."

As Hortense heard the words that doomed her life, the color left her cheek and she would have swooned to the floor, had she not been caught in the arms of Louis, who entered that mo-"Ah, Louis," she said, "where have

you been and why is it that you have kept silent so long a time?"

"Dearest," he whispered, 'it is a secret of the dead. M. Constant," he went on, "I have been a double prisoner, held by illness and the enemy. I have exceeded my leave, I am afraid, but I won't ask for another until I am married."-Spare Moments.

The Importance of Care. Here are three stories, all vouched for as true, which emphasize the importance of care in writing: A Cincinnati grocer's house found that cranberries had risen to six dollars per bushel. The purchasing clerk immediately sent this note by the firm's teamster: "One hundred bushels per Simmons." (Simmons was the driver's name.) The well-meaning correspondent thought the scrawl read, "One hundred bushels persimmons," and boys were straightway set to work, for persimmons were plentiful. The wagon made its appearance next day loaded down with 80 bushels. The remaining 20 bushels were to follow the next day, and when the correspondent found out his mistake he angrily demanded why the order did not read by Simmons? An English gentleman, in writing to a Lincolnshire friend, mentioned the latter's kindness to him, and said he should soon send him a suitable "equivalent." The friend read the word "elephant," and immediately built a handsome barn for the reception of his elephantine majesty. But much to his surprise a barrel of oysters was the "equivalent."-Harper's Round Table.

More Valuable Dead Than Alive. Sir Wemyas Reid tells a story redolent of a grim shrewdness characteristic of canny Novocastrians: "There was a worthy, long since forgotten, in my time, who was a prototype of Rogue l'iderhood in 'Our Mutual Friend.' He was known as Cuckoo Jack, and he lived upon the Tyne in a well-patched cld boat, picking up any trifle that came bis way from a derelict corpse. One day an elderly and most estimable Quaker or couch grass, have creeping stems, of Newcastle, in stepping from a river steamboat to the quay, slipped and fell into the stream. Cuckoo Jack was at hand with his boat and quickly rescued the luckless Friend and landed him dripping on the quay. The good man drew half a crown from his pocket and solemnly handed it to his preserver. Jack eyed the coin for a moment with lack-luster gaze, spat upon it solemnly for luck.' and, having placed it safely in his pocket, said, in a matter-of-fact tone of the soaked Quaker: 'Man, Ah'd hev gotten five shillin' for takin' ye to the deadhoose."--London Telegraph.

"My dear," expostulated his wife, "why will you eat such a hearty breakfast on Sunday morning? You know you are almost sure to have a nightmare in church ?"-Detroit Tribune.

THE MOON'S WANDERINGS. me Astronomical Information for the

Uninitiated. To explain the remarkable variations in the place of the moon during different months we must consider the effect of the inclination of the ecliptic to the earth's equator. The ecliptic is the path in which the sun appears to circle the heavens once every year.

The ecliptic crosses the plane of the equator at two opposite points, called the vernal and autumnal equinoxes. The sun arrives at the vernal equinox about the 21st of March, and at the autumnal equinox about the 21st of September. During the interval the sun is north of the equator, and consequently its path lies high in the heavens as seen from our hemisphere. But during the other half of the year, while it is passing from the autumnal to the vernal equinox, the sun is south of the equator, and its path consequently runs low in our heav-

Now the moon travels around the earth in a plane not very much inclined (only five degrees and eight minutes) to the path of the sun. But the sun takes 12 months to circle the heavens while the moon takes less than one month. Accordingly at one time we find the moon near the sun, and about two weeks later just opposite the sun.

It is clear that when the moon is near the sun, as at new moon, it will be north of the equator if the sun is north, and south if the sun is south. But when the moon is opposite the sun, as at full moon, it will be north of the equator if the sun is south, and south if the sun is

We have just seen that from autumn until spring the sun is south of the equator. It follows that in winter the full moon will be north of the equator. and will run high in the sky. On the other hand, during the summer, when the sun is north of the equator, the full moon will be south of it and will run low in the sky. Some variation is produced by the inclination of the ecliptic, but this inclination, being small, may be neglected in a general explanation.

In consequence of its eastwardly motion around the earth the moon rises, on the average, about 41 minutes later every day. This interval is called the daily retardation. It is shortened or lengthened according to what part of the ecliptic the moon is near. In the latitude of New York the interval may vary in length between twenty-three minutes and one hour and seventeen

The retardation is greatest when the moon's path is steepest to the horizon, and least when the path has the smallest inclination.

The latter condition occurs, with respect to the full moon, about the time little inclined to the horizon, and so, for several evenings in succession, will rise at nearly the hour of sunset. This is called the harvest moon. The next following full moon in October also has its path but little inclined and its retardation shortened, and is called the hunter's moon.

Some persons suppose that the crescent of the new moon promises wet or dry weather according as its horns are so inclined that the hollow between them looks as though it could or could not hold water. Of course there is no relation between the weather and the position of the new moon's horns. The inclination of the new moon can readily be accounted for, at any time, when we bear in mind the fact that a line drawn from tip to tip of the horns must always be at right angles to the direction of the sun.-Youth's Companion.

PLANTS THAT SPREAD OUICKLY. Weeds and Grasses That Cumber the Soil

of This Country. The dandelion is an old world flower, not native in America, save far to the north and on some of the highest of our western mountains. But somehow it was brought here, perhaps from England in old colonial times. Now we see its golden heads and feathery balls at every grassy roadside, the "clocks" the boys and girls blow to tell the hour. A few years ago farmers in the northwest found a new weed, a vile prickly weed, in their wheat-fields. In a very short time this weed, the Russian thistle, has spread over wide acres of the best farm land in that part of the country, and has done great injury to the crops.

How do these plants spread so fast and so far? They are not carried about and planted. No one would be so foolish as to sow Russian thistles. The mother-plant must have ways of her own for sending her offsprings abroad into the world. Plants propagate themselves in two ways, from seed or from buds. Sometimes these buds are borne on slender runners. A strawberry plant, after it has blossomed, begins to send out such runners, with buds, unfolding tufts of leaves, along them. These tufts are at first connected with the parent plant, but later the runners between break away, and each tuft becomes a new plant. Many grasses, like Bermuda grass and the troublesome quick each joint sending out a bunch of roots below and a bud on the upper side. If you try to hoe up such grasses, you only make matters worse, for each joint when cut off is ready to form an independent plant. Such grasses spread very fast, and soon take possession of the land they get into.-Thomas II. Kearney, Jr., in St. Nicholas,

Evidently a Mistake. Muggins-What is your friend Guzder's occupation?

lluggins - He's the skipper of a "I never saw him skip one."--Philadelphia Record.

-The jet mines of England seem to yield less and less of that mineral. Ten LUXURIES FOR THE INSANE.

If They Have Money Their Expensive Tastes Are Indulged.

Although as a rule patients in an asy um for the insane differ little in their habits from the ordinary run of rational persons, some have queer fads, especially in the matter of diet. One male patient in the Bloomingdale asylum at White Plains, N. Y., insists upon having an omelet every morning for breakfast and refuses to eat anything until he is given one.

A female patient declines to eat food which is not brought to her in the original package, so she may open it herself. After it is opened, she insists upon keeping the contents constantly under her supervision. She will eat none but raw eggs, breaking the shell herself. She eats oranges and bananas only when allowed to peel them herself. She imagines that her food will be poisoned unless she protects herself in this

In a large asylum like Bloomingdale there is always a number of patients that imagine that their food will be polsoned, and consequently flatly refuse to eat. All the food such patients get has to be passed through a tube into their stomachs. One woman at Bloomingdale imagines that on account of some great sin which she has committed all her food is cursed and she has

to be artificially fed. There is no restriction on a patient's diet if he can afford to satisfy his whims, except to keep him within the bounds of hygienic law. Many of the inmates, reared in luxury, have champagne appetites, and they do not go unsatisfied if they have money enough to pay for wine. A small supply of merly made by 1,000 men. champagne is always kept at the asylum. Not infrequently the friends of the wealthy patients visit them and bring lunch and champagne, which are often served in the patient's private apartment, but always under the supervision of an asylum attendant.

Many patients demand rare game in season and often out of season, and they get it if they can afford it. Some also have extravagant tastes in cigars, and while a 15-cent cigar is the best kept in stock at the asylum, the authorities place no restriction on friends sending in cigars of any grade. Cigars and smoking tobacco are scheduled as luxuries and are charged to the patients who use them .- N. Y. World.

LIKE EGYPTIAN PLAINS.

Peculiar Effect of the Hayfields in Callfornia in Early Evening.

To properly care for hay has always been a hard problem for the rancher of California. The danger of spontaneous combusiton made it unwise to put it in a barn, as the event of fire the settler desires to secure a farm larger only made the loss that much greater. Covering it with tarpaulins and leaving it in the field has long been the accepted method, although sure to cause some loss on account of rain produc ing mold on the top of the stack. But it was the best known, and the loss less than the loss of a barn and possibly several head of stock.

The latest method adopted by the ranchers of Alameda county is to construct a sort of framework of scantlings and cover it with thin canvas. This method keeps the canvas some distance from the hay, and at the same time sheds the water as well as the roof of a barn. It also has the advantage of be-

ing cheap. The effect produced on the landscape

by this method, however, is most startling and calculated to make a man rub his eyes the first time he sees a field covered with the strange-looking white pyramids. Houses are scarce down that way, so that there is nothing to jar on the impression. For 20 miles along the bay shore almost any part of it looks like the plains of Egypt. Only the trees and the strange-looking hay-

pyramids, are to be seen. They are scattered all over the fields, and large enough to dwarf most of the other objects in the landscape. Some of these stacks are at least 40 feet high and few less than 30. The small oaks and yonug eucalyptus trees help out

stacks, shaped exactly like the great

the illusion. In the early evening, when there is just light enough to make out the different objects, the effect shows to the best advantage. The canvas ceases to be canvas and becomes stone. The different pyramids seem to rise to twice their real size. Nothing is wanted to make the beholder think he is in the land of the Nile, and if he has ever been there he will instinctively stop and listen, expecting to hear the cry of the donkey boys urging thir unwilling heasts to action.-Chicago News.

Dismal Swamp Canal. An engineering work which may have considerable effect on coastwise freights is the reconstruction of the Dismal Swamp canal, which is designed to afford a waterway between the north and south sea coasts, avoiding the dangers of Hatterss. The canal is a historic one, having been begun in 1787 and constructed in ten years, largely by slave labor, to the depth of four feet and a width of 32 feet. It extends from Elizabeth City, near Norfolk, Va., to the headwaters of the Pasquotank river, a distance of 22 miles, there connecting with navigable streams which reach the opean south of Hatteras. In its early years it paid dividends of 60 per cent, per annum, and a share of its stocks was reckoned to be worth one hearty male slave. The present contreet calls for a uniform depth of ten feet and a width of 60 feet, and the Venture is backed by \$900,000 of Baltimore capital. The work is to be commenced by December 31, 1897,-Chicago Chronicle. A Last Request.

"Have you anything to say?" inquired

"Only one thing," said the condemned man, as he loosened the noose so that he could speak with more ease. "I want you to eatch that man with the snapyears ago as much as 4,670 pounds were shot camera and throw him out. I do raised; last year only 168 pounds not want to be disgraced by smateur formed the total of the production. | photographs."—N. Y. Truth. not want to be disgraced by smateur photographs."—N. Y. Truth.

# Hood's

Sarsaparilla The Best-in fact the One True Blood Purifier.

Hood's Pills are prompt, efficient and LABOR NOTES.

Shiploads of wheat are leaving California for Sydney. Small merchants of Toronto have

combined to fight department stores. The label of the Boot and Shoe Workers' union is now used by 19 factories.

A young woman in St. Louis has

opened a cooperative dining-room for members of her sex. Associated retail liquor dealers of Duluth agreed to handle only union

label cigars. Miners in the Monogahela valley threaten to strike unless their wages. are advanced.

More than 600,000 cotton spindles have been added to the cotton facilities of Japan in less than a year.

Textile workers throughout the south

are being unionized by American Federation of Labor organizers. Nailmaking machines now produce as many nails in a given time as were for-

Six thousand African Kaffirs working in the Transvaal mines have struck

work against a reduction of wages. Of the 14,000 persons employed directly in the sugar industry in Queensland. 8,000 are composed of Japs, Kanakas and Chinese.

A project of the managers of the St. Louis house of refuge to start a weekly paper and teach inmates the printing trade is being bitterly opposed by organized labor.

Texas.

In the Agricultural line, Texas leads all other states in the variety of its products. Cotton, corn and the cereals grow and are raised in every section of the state and in the central and southern portions sugar cane and sorghum are profitably cultivated. On the Gulf Coast two and three crops of vegetables are raise I each year. Berries are shipped six weeks in advance of the home crop in the north. Pears, peaches, plums, oranges, figs, olives and nuts all grow abundantly and can be marketed from two to three weeks in advance of the California crops. Large quantities of rice are now

than the one he occupies, on vastly more reasonable terms; if he wants more land to cultivate, a greater variety of crops to harvest, with proportionately increased re-muneration, at a less outlay for cost of procorrespondingly higher prices; if he wants milder winters, all the year pasturage for his stock, improved health, increased bodily comforts and wealth and prosperity, he

should go to Texas.

Send for pampillet descriptive of the resources of this great state (mailed free). Low rate Homeseekers excursions via the Missouri, Kunsas & Texas Railway on Nov. 8rd and 17th, Dec. 1st and 15th, 1896. H. A. CHERRIER, Northern Passenger Agent, 316 Marquette Building. Chicago.

NO METAPHYSICIAN ever felt the deficiency of language so much as the grateful.-Col-

Cheap Excursions to the West, North and Northwest.

On December 1 and 15, 1896, the North-Western Line (Chicago & North-Western Railway) will sell excursion tickets to a large number of points in the west, north and northwest. For full information apply to ticket agents of connecting lines, or address W. B. KNISKERN, General Passenger and Ticket Agent, C. & N. W. R'y, Chicago,

THE devil can meet eloquence without trouble, but he has never been able to stand before love .- Ram's Horn.

WHILE man is growing life is in decrease, and cradles rock us nearer to the tomb.— BETTER times come to all cured of aches.

It is brave to overcome; it is saintly to Good times. Happy state. St. Jacobs Oil cures pain right up to date.

and pains by St. Jacobs Oil.



With a better understanding of the transient nature of the many phys-VV transient nature of the many physical ills, which vanish before proper efforts—gentle efforts—pleasant efforts—rightly directed. There is comfort in the knowledge, that so many forms of sickness are not due to any actual disease, but simply to a constipated condition of the system, which the pleasant family laxative, Syrup of Figs, promptly removes. That is why it is the only remedy with millions of families, and is everywhere esteemed so highly by all remedy with millions of families, and is everywhere esteemed so highly by all who value good health. Its beneficial effects are due to the fact, that it is the one remedy which promotes internal cleanliness without debilitating the organs on which it acts. It is therefore all important, in order to get its beneficial effects, to note when you purchase, that you have the genuine arti-

ficial effects, to note when you purchase, that you have the genuine article, which is manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co. only and sold by all reputable druggists.

If in the enjoyment of good health, and the system is regular, laxatives or other remedies are then not needed. If afflicted with any actual disease, one may be commended to the most skillful physicians, but if in need of a laxative may be commended to the most skillful physicians, but if in need of a laxative, one should have the best, and with the well-informed everywhere, Syrup of Figs stands highest and is most largely used and gives most general against action.

### TRAVELS OF A DIME.

How It Returned to Its Original Owner After Five Years.

Carious Facts About Coins-What They See in Their Perpetual Wanderings-Bather Lucky That They Can't Speak,

[COPTRIGHT, 1896.] There is a ten-cent piece in the pocket of Edward Koppie, of Nunda, N. Y.,

that has had as odd an experience as ever befell a coin. Five and one-half years ago Mr. Koppie had his initials engraved on a dime, intending to keep it as a pocket piece. But one Sunday, just before the collection was taken up in church, the idea suggested itself to Mr. Koppie to place his pet pocket piece In the plate, wondering if he would the little piece of currency began its tong journey.

More than five years passed away, and Mr. Kopple had forgotten all about the little ten-cent piece. One day he went into a store in Nunda and made a purchase. The clerk gave him some silver as change, and when he came to count lying in his hand the identical dime that he had put into the collection of ago. There were his initials, somewhat worn, but plainly legible.

There was one change in the dime, tice of extracting a small contribution from every-silver coin that comes into but that it had journeyed far there was Do question.

to have made a study of the subject that a silver coin, circulating under or- tion can a boy have than that? dinary circumstances, must pass

and theft—all the good and evil which human flesh is heir to. The chances are that it has itself entered into all of them. If it could only speak, the secrets it would be able to relate would furnish material for one of the most thrilling stories ever imagine 1. They would prove beyond peradventure that truth is stranger than fiction, and that hidden vice and blazoned virtue are far more often to be found than concealed charity and exploited wickedness.

Perhaps, after all, it is a fortunate thing that the little coin cannot speak.

JUST A BOY.

Laurence Hutton's Reminiscences of His Boyhood Life in New York.

He was not a very good boy, or a very bad boy, or a very bright boy, or an unusual boy in any way. He was just a boy; and very often he forgets that he is not a boy now. Whatever there may ever hear of it again. Thus it was that be about The Boy that is commendable he owes to this father and to his mother; and he feels that he should not be held responsible for it.

His mother was the most generous and the most unselfish of human beings. She was always thinking of somebody else; always doing for others. To her it was blessed to give, it, what was his amazement to notice and it was not very pleasant to receive. When she bought anything The Boy's stereotyped query was: "Who is to the church at Rochester, N. Y., where have it?" When anything was bought he lived before he went to Nunda, years for her, her own invariable remark was: "What on earth shall I do with it?" When The Boy came to her, one summer morning, she looked upon him and that consisted in the insertion of a as a gift from Heaven; and when she plug. It was evident that the little bit was told that it was a boy, and not a of silver had fallen into the hands of bad-looking or a bad-conditioned boy, one of those persons who make a prac- her first words were: "What on earth shall I do with it?"

She found plenty "to do with it," betheir hands. Just where the dime had fore she got through with it, more than been all these years is hard to say, 40 years afterwards; and The Boy has every reason to believe that she never regretted the gift. Indeed, she once told It is estimated by persons who claim him, late in her life, that he had never made her cry! What better benedic-

The Boy was red-headed and longthrough the hands of a thousand per- nosed even from the beginning; a shy, sons before it shows the slightest signs | dreaming, self-conscious little boy,



### Che Many

Th' o'er-mastered voice of nature speaks. Th' o'er-burthened earth her ransom

seeks,

Low cringing at the despot's stool, Mankind aspires to higher rule. The multitudes with bitter cry Lift their despairing hands on high, Praying for succor from afar-The token of an answering star. 0 0 8

"Sure, on the gloom in which we dwell In ages past, some luster fell. Some agency without a name Touched our rude sense with quickening flame,

Some voice divine, some promise fair Moved us to worship and to prayer. But now our oracles are still, Our altars desolate and chill; Oh! could that better light return-That beacon-fire before us burn! Could some bright message from the

The power reveal that rules on high!"

### The Chree

From Orient's spicy groves we come; Beyond the desert lies our home Where, grand with jewels and with gold,

Our haughty kings their scepters hold.

We journey far, and not of choice, In answer to a warning voice: "Forsake the purple gates of morn, Westward the world's true king is born,"

Him should our thoughts more fitly deem

Cradled in groves of Academe, Or where the circling chariots speed And bards rehearse the victor's meed; Or nursed at Egypt's awful shrine Where wells the wondrous flood divine But 'mid the stars our guiding light Hither doth lead-by day and night; We follow with unwearied feet,

### The portent of the fates to greet.

Strophe First Give us comfort, Aphrodite, thou art

fair, Lo! the sunbeams light the meshes of thy hair;

And thy car is drawn by doves To the height of human loves, While thy perfumes float, like incense, on the air.

### Anti-Strophe First Nay-the joys I bring are ravishing,

but brief,

And my servants shun the lonely house of grief.

and renewed."

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All my songs are tuned to pleasure, To the dancing Lydian measure— Not of me is born the soul-commanding chief.

### Strophe Second

Mother Isis, with the lotus blossom crowned,

Shall earth's rescue in they child beloved be found? Wilt thou loose him from they arms,

With his amulets and charms, That the song of our redemption may resound?

### Anti-Strophe Second

Ye unhappy ones, no succor seek from

I am pledged to death's unfruitful majesty.

Ever, in sepulchral state, Must I mourn my vanished mate, And my son alone may keep me com-

### The One

Then uprose the tender wailing of a child

Which a maiden mother, mercifu! and

With a sudden joy caressed, Shielded soft upon her breast, Unto Israel's God devoted, undefiled.

'What of thee, O mother, born in lowlihood? Are those veins of thine enriched with

royal blood? Shall this tiny infant hand Give the law to every land? Hast thou brought to light the ever-

lasting good?" As they listen, lo! a wondrous prophecy Of the glorious deliverance yet to be With the infant's tones did biend;

And their seeking was at end-They had found the monarch they were fain to see.

Whose struggles for his life mid grief and wrong.

Let him come to me, with all who labor long;

In my heart their woes have place And my love shall give them grace-I will comfort them with saying and

"I will bargain their redemption with

my blood, Heirs of Heav'n are we in holy brotherhood.

To the ages I bequeath But the measure of the breath '

That God breathed on me, renewing

mon concession in the warmer sun.

the long-skirted riding suit again. Good old New York! The name reminds me of the merry crew wherewith I sailed a week ago. I do not think I saw on shipboard a novelty in costume save one-a deck rug sewn into the shape of a bag and fastened over with buttons. It was fashioned out of dark brown and green plaid cloth, and when a brown eyed lady with a brown beef-eater hat aloft crawled into it and buttoned it with big tassel buttons with fringe on the rug, she looked more shipshape than the other damsels with wind blown r'kirts or dragging blankets. Of course there were girls in fascinators | six miles to their daily task, work all and girls in Capuchin hoods and girls day, and walk back at dusk to their late in fuzzy wuzzy gray reefers; but then,

And there are always pretty girls

Society on the rock is exclusively

The hostess is an English lady and

ELLEN OSBORN'S LETTER. her costume breathes of London, though it never saw the British capital. It is a Paris frock, but Paris adapts herself to the tastes of her customers, and English women are nowhere so English as when they overlook the watch towers of Spain. It is a heavy silk which shades green and black, and has the merest edge of sable fur as a finish at the hem. The bodice is of pale yellow crepe de chine, laid in fine plaits and worn under a smart little bolero of very dark green velvet with a narrow border of black and gold embroidery. There is a pointed belt of velvet draped in folds and a velvet stock collar with a ruche of crepe rising above it and spreading it aflare. The sleeves of shot silk are cut with drooping puffs at the shoulders and thence in close plaits at the wrists. It makes a rich and yet a somber costume, and the lady who wears it talks of the sins of servants, as women everywhere talk, and of the dearness of provisions, which have to be brought on donkey back out

traveling without pause to the Riviera. of Spain. Among her guests is a young woman just from England and going on to India to marry a Calcutta colonel. She opens a budget of gossip from London, rect or roundabout it is to the Riviera we all are bound; and through the pent- and wears one of her trousseau dresses, a splendid black satin brocade, figured up strait over which the Lion Rock of with Danish red and olive, and worn Gibraltar crouches in watch, we pour like the sand through the narrow neck with a Russian blouse of olive silk brightened by a draped belt of red velthere is such another meeting place of vet and yoke outlined with the same all the people of the earth west of the material. Her big picture hat of olive Suez canal as is this quaint garrison felt is swept by heavy black plumes.

A young girl with the exquisitely bright English complexion belongs to a trim yacht anchored in the harbor after a Mediterranean cruise. She is in gala dress of shot silk, glancing blue horse quite bare of hair, leaving the and black, and barred with lines of gray thrown together in clustered stripes. The bodice is very pretty and very sim-Moorish burrouses are woven in dark, ple. It is of dark blue silk, fitting like coarse hop-sacking effects and always a habit basque. A full vest of grey crepe in front is outlined by revers of bare- gray velvet. Epaulets of gray velshanked Moors, barefooted boys and vet, short but full and arranged in



"THERE ARE ALWAYS PRETTY GIRLS WHERE THERE ARE SOLDIERS."

bareheaded runners mingle in confu-1 cape fashion, give a pretty finish to the stand outlined.

feeting of the Waves of Travel by

the Lion Book of Old Gibraltar.

on the Way to the Riviera-Brilliant Cos

tuming Displayed Against the Most

Picturesque Kaleidscopie Back-

ground in the World.

[соружинт, 1896.] Gibraltar, Dec. 1.—"You were never in

Monaco? You have never gambled?

Here! Take this and play it for me!

And the little old man with the bald

head and bright, glittering eyes thrust

golden 20-frane piece into the hand

The eager little man, whom many de-

feats have not taught disbelief in the

proverbial good luck of beginners, was

leaving the boat for a week in Spain

before going on to woo the goddess once again. The Chicago lady was

I wonder whether she will play the

In one way or another, by routes di-

of an hourglass. I do not suppose

Paniers-of charcoal - are much

worn-by the patient donkeys that

It is the fashion to clip the body of a

legs clothed, so that the animal seems

plow past the gates toward sunset.

town, As for fashions-

standing in golf stockings.

Bare-kneed Highlanders,

lined with white.

This is my address."

of the Chicago lady.

Louis or return it.

There is the oriental woman, with sister is toward the past.

worth more than a glance.

Bicycle riding there is none; horseover the line in the Spanish hills, has given these fair women sure, firm seats in the saddle. Many of them use reversible saddles to correct any permanent curvature of the spine, so much are they afield. The long skirt is no longer de riguer. The skirt is short and fairly scant, clearing the boot tops, the hat is a derby, the collar a standing choker without the turndown points. Color: Black most in favor; mixed browns and dark grays, a not uncom-

I may add that before leaving New York, where the riding season had just begun, I noted with pleasure the grow ing use of the short-skirted riding appeared the guests go down among habit. I do not think we shall ever see

there always are.

where there are soldiers. In Gibraltar in possible elsewhere. Think what any American town would be were onequarter of its people soldiers.

English, but the traveling American who is favored with introductions to plenty of windows; and the windowthe families of one or two of the Brit- sills were low and broad and were used ish officer finds it very pleasant. Afternoon tea in one of the white villas on the Europa road is an experience to be remembered. Tea is served in a high-ceiled, white-walled room, hung with warm-colored Moorish draper- and six feet long. Here were piled ies, and looking down through blankets, rugs and quilts, neatly folded, swinging lattices into the patio, or court, about which Gibraltar houses are floor and the family slept on them, built, like those of Spain. Gibraltar, using the blankets and quilts for coverit is to be remembered, is not Spain. The court is small, but green with ge- cular table, about three feet across and raniums, though it is December.

sion; and against a background of tight sleeves. Upon the curly blonde these picturesque elements, two figures | hair is a gray velvet turban with black feathers. A captain's wife, petite, plump and

her shambling gait and her veil drawn | pleasing, wears a flowered silk, that is, over her face, as in the Biblical days. perhaps, better worth attention than There is the clear-eyed English girl, any other gown in the room. It is a new whose face is toward the future, as her | weave that a French manufacturer is beginning to exploit, and that has not, There is powder on the face gen- so far as I am aware, yet crossed the erally; the climate is uncertain and the stormy Atlantic. It is soft, lustrous drinking water is bad. But it is a face and ribbed in waves, giving an effect good to look upon and the clothing is more broken and rippling than the moires. In a warm brown tint it suits the wife of the captain. It is striped back riding much. The Calpe hunt, with gray, and against the stripes small pink flowers are thrown with dark green foliage. The skirt is cut narrow. according to recent ideas, scarcely four yards round. The bodice is novel and almost unique, with its blouse of gray silk, flowered with pink and green, its bolero of solid brown bordered with chinchilla and its belt of dark green velvet.

Down in the green garden, under the latticed windows, a fountain is playing. and beside the fountain a Barbary ape is tied. The ape is one of the tribe that from time immemorial have dwelt upon the Rock and are petted by the soldiers. After the tea and the biscuit have disthe gerantums. The ape chatters and the sun sifts down through the pepper trees, and presently it is time for a drive to the Alameda.

ELLEN OSBORN. Domestic Life in Bethlehem. I went to Bethlehem several times, re-

turning usually towards dusk. I constantly met the "Bethlehem men," as they are called-mechanics, masons, carpenters, laborers-returning on foot from their long and hard day's work in Jerusalem. The hours of labor in the east are from sunrise to sunset; and these men would leave Bethlehem early in the morning, and, after walking the and scanty supper. The younger men looked worn out; the older men seemed to have lost all strength, and their eyes frequently looked dull and almost there are 5,000 of the latter, and the glazed. I was invited to visit a family former are garrison pets to an extent in Bethlehem. Their home was on the second floor of a building. It consisted of a single room, about 15 feet square. with a concrete floor, and not a single article of furniture save a tiny charcoal stove. It was clean: there were instead of chairs. There were little cupboards built in the walls, which held the food and the few dishes. At one side of the room was a larger recess. perhaps two feet deep, three feet high At night the rugs were spread on the ing. On great occasions a little cirone foot high, was used as a dining

of wear. The dime that Mr. Koppie | made peculiarly familiar with his perstarted on its journey was considerably sonal defects by the constant remarks defaced when it returned to him. On to the effect that his hair was red, and the basis, then, that 1,000 persons must that his nose was long. At school, for have handled it before it gave evidence | years he was known familiarly as "Ruof wear, fully 100.000 people became fus," "Red-Head," "Carrot-Top," or temporary custodians of the coin be- "Nosey." fore it returned to its original owner.

circulate within prescribed limits, it is many of The Boy's aunts and uncles a curious fact that silver coin roams were but a few years his senior and everywhere. So it is safe to say that were his daily and familiar companions. this little piece of money has probably He was the only member of his own genjourneyed far more widely than ordin- eration for a long time, and there was arily falls to the lot of human beings. a constant fear upon the part of the Quite possibly it has taken several cldest that he was likely to be spoiled; ocean voyages. Certainly it is safe to and consequently he was never praised, say that it has traveled to 1,000 towns nor petted, nor coddled. He was aland villages, that it has been in the ways falling down, or dropping things, pockets of 50,000 persons, and that the he was always getting into the way; total aggregate of sums it has repre- and he could not learn to spell correctsented is fully \$10,000-all of which ly nor to cipher at all. He was never in seems a great deal for one small dime to his mother's way, however, and he was accomplish.

Again, taking as a basis of considerathe ten-cent piece has been in almost ing his feelings, caused him, by the every kind of a store that is found in | fun they poked at his nose, at his flery likely that it has assisted in paying for foncied that passers-by pitied him as of Nunda, where its owner lives. It is | cerely pitied himself as a youth destined safe to assume, also, that it invariably to grow up into an awkward, tactless, attracted attention wherever it went, stupid man at whom the world would An engraved dime, or any other piece laugh so long as his life lasted .- Lau-

of marked money, always does. Many persons are averse to taking a coin defaced by a monogram, and the United States government will not redeem such coin at its face value. It will give for it only what it is worth as bul-

Owing to the prejudice against rearked coin it is more than likely that this little dime has been the cause of endless subterfuge and trickery. It is be a boy, it means a new emperor for quite likely it has often happened that the careless clerk in the drygoods or grocery store who received it for a spool of thread or some yeast cakes, has cither had to replace the defaced dime with a good one, or smuggled it into the 21 if it be a boy. Suddenly the activity teaching her daughters to speak French. roll of change that went to the cashier. of the play is interrupted by a canon Perhaps it may have been given to some poor woman by a clerk who was anxious to rid himself of the "bad" dime. It may have been, too, that it was almost the last dime the woman had, and that when she went to purchase food with it, what she desired was refused her, because the sort of money she offered was

not acceptable. Into the life of a human being enters not one-t ventieth part of the experience that fell to the lot of this bit of money. The dime has seen vice and virtue, poverty and wealth, charity and To get a quarter-dollar dish for three and avarice, kinduess and cruelty, honesty

His mother, married at 19, was the While bank bills seem to generally eldest of a family of nine children; and never made to feel so. But nobody except The Boy knows of the agony tion the usual course of a piece of which the rest of the family, unconmoney, it is not at all impossible that sciously and with no thought of hurtthe ordinary city or village. It is quite locks, and at his unhandiness. He more things than would stock the town he walked in the streets; and he sinrence Hutton, in St. Nicholas.

Then Outspake the Gallery Boy. Here is a theatrical situation not down in the bills. In the third act of Rhea's new play the climax is based upon the sex of a new-born heir to Napoleon. If the expected arrival be a girl, Josephine will have reason to hope for a restoration of Napoleon's favor; if it the French and the end of Josephine's hopes. The audience is told by the dialogue that when the event occurs it will be heralded by the booming of cannon; one shot if the hair of a girl and shot. After a moment of anxious silence, Josephine exclaims: "It is a girl! Thank God!" Then follows a second shot, as the cannon continues with the royal salute of 21 guns. At the second report Josephine's attendants, in consternation, exclaim: "A boy!" At the third a boy in the gallery, on the opening night, shouted: "Triplets, by

Bargain Day. She tore a \$40 gown with many holes and

golly!"-Boston Herald.

THE GENIUS OF WOMAN.

A Tributo from a Man, and His Experi-

ence Speaks for His Feelings. This is a tribute from a meek and lowly man to the genius of woman. He wishes to answer those men who sneer at women and their shopping. He wishes to express in an humble way his fervent gratitude. He is not rich, he has several relatives and many warm friends. He is fond of them all, and it pleases him to please them. He had estimated, figured, planned, walked, shopped, lain awake nights, torn his hair, pinched his expenditures to add to his capital and all for what? Christmas, of course. He saw bankruptcy and poverty staring him in the face. He hunted high and he dug low, and he could find nothing which his friends would like, as he thought. He was in the western slang, absolutely "stumped."

In a shamefaced way he went to his cousin. He hated to do it. She is a little woman in a big house, with servants limited, children unlimited and a husband to govern. She is interested in several charitable works. She is and is "grinding" mathematics with her son. She has numerous friends, and she manages to see them all and to be seen by them. She is a very busy woman, and her cousin hated to impose upon her but he was desperate.

"What's the matter, dear?" she asked, when her good-for-nothing cousin appeared with a long face. She is five years younger than be is, but she is "motherly" to him, because she knows his lack of womanly genius.

"I'm up a tree," he answered, and then he told her his woes and misfortunes. "How much do you feel you can He named his modest sum. "And who is there?"

"Well, there's Ella and Jen and Pen Tom--"and he gave her all the names which promptly went down on a slip of

day after to-morrow, and we'll see what we can do. And you are just in time for dinner," she added. And on the second day following, that cousin, who had both transferred his responsibility and gained a good

"All right," she said, "come around

dinner, returned. "Now, come in here," said that little woman, leading him to a room where arrayed in an order to make a fascinating display were a dozen and more Christmas gifts, on each a little tag showing for whom it was intended. Everything was beautiful, and everything seemed just the right one for the right person. It had all been done in

one day." "And here," she said, putting something in his hand. It was seven dollars of change.

That is all there is to this story-just a tribute to the genius of woman.-N. Y. Tribune. Europe's "Electric" Village.

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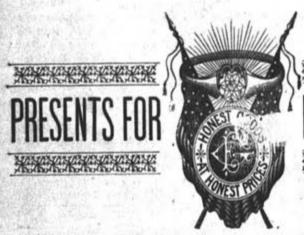
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