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And tinkle-tinkle up the lane the lowing cat-And therich man from his carriage looks out

the cattle home, "I wish," the boy said to himself-"I wish that I were he. And yet, upon maturer thought, I do not-no, Not for all the gold his coffers hold would I be

that defer there, With a liver pad and a gouty toe, and scarce a single hair: To have a wife with a Roman nose, and fear least a paric come—
Far better to be the Barefoot Boy that drives the cattle home.',

"Would I give all my pelf To change my lot with yonder boy! Not if I know myself. Over the grass that's full of ants and chill dew to do, With a stone braise upon either heel and a splinter in my toe! Oh, I'll rather sale my vacht a year across

Than be one day the Ba efoot Boy that drives

the cattle home."

the ocean's foam

BY G. W. S.

astonished. In truth and in fact, she lived in a chronic state of astonishment, for Mary Thorne was always doing something to astonish her rela-

Miss Ruth could scarcely credit the evidence of her own senses in the hazy glow of the August morning, when she came out of the shadows of the little south porch and discovered that yonder moving object, half way up among the branches of the hugh pear tree, was not a spray of leaves, nor a cluster of sun-eheeked pears, swinging in the blue empyrean, but Miss Mary Thorne, comfortly perched in the crook of the old tree, her curls all flecked with the rays of sunshine, that came down throughthe shifting canopy of leaves,

"I don't care!" said the little damsel, laughing saucy deflance. "It's the nicest place in the world up here. Wouldn't you like to come up here, I feel just like a bird, with the leaves fluttering against my face, and the wind blowing so softly, and I intend to stay here. Wouldn't you like to come up here, Ruthy? It's easily done. Just put your foot on that knot, and then—

Ruth. who was thirty, and weigh a hundred and six pounds, bristled with astonishment. "Mary Thorne! are you crazy? Come down this instant!"

"Indeed I shan't!" said the naughty Mary, tossing the silky shower curls away from her forehead, and glancing down with eyes that shone and sparkled like two blue jewels.

"But we are all going—" "Yes, I understand; you are all going in triumphal procession to the depot to render an ovation to the great Prof. DePlace, the wisest, sagest, and grandest of mankind, to whom the Thorne family have the unutterable honor of being second cousins, and to escort him solemnly to a month's so-journ in Thorne Hall. "Oh,dear!" ejaculated Mary. "I wish I could run away somewhere and hide. I hate this paragon of prim precision. I shan't marry him if he asks, and I mean to behave so badly that he won't dream of it. No. I am not going with you. I hate the close barouche, and it's too warm to ride on horseback. I shall

stay at home." And Mary settled herself so snugly, with one tiny slippered foot swinging down, and her pretty head close to a nest of blue speckled bird's eggs, that Ruth gave it up, with a sign of de-

"Of course it is, Mary! If Cousin Tom Bradly comes this morning, be

sure to explain to him why we are absent—and behave like a young lady, mind!" "All right!" said Mary, dauntlessly. I always liked Tom. We used to have

grand romps together!"

She sat there in the old pear tree, prettier than any hamadryed that ever might haunted the mossy old veteran of the garden, her cheeks touched with sunshine and carmine, her dimpled lips apart, now read a line or two from the book in her lap, now looking up, rapt in girlish reverie, into the blue sky, as it sparkled down through ever a soft little warble of song, to which the very robins themselves put their

since. She had watched it beyond the curve of the winding road; the dark mantle of shadow was slowly creeping sun-glow across the velvet lawn below, and the clock in the old church spire among the far off woods had chimed

those forked branches of the old pear

sanctum a pungent odor which made her lean curiously forward, shading hdr eyes with one hand, the better to penetrate the green fooliage below. spicy geraniums—none of these blossoms distilled that peculiar smell.

"My patience," said little Mary; it's

of—she could see a white linen coat and a tall heao covered with black, wavy curls-stood on the porch steps quietly smoking and indulging in a lengthened view of the garden slopes. "That's Tom Bradly!" said Mary to herself. "Now, if he thinks I'm coming down out of this delicious cool place to sit straight in the hot parlors he's mistaken! Tom," she called out in a silver accent of imperative summons, and then burst into merry laughter at the evident amazement with which the stranger gazed around him, vainly trying to conjecture whence the call had proceeded. "You dear, stupid cousin!" she ejaculated. "Don't stare off toward the cabbage beds. Look thickens very soon. In order to prestraght up here. You may come up if | vent this add a solution of pure rubyou please; there's plenty of room for ber, resin and turpentine.

givings crossed her mind. Of course I am; and you are Mary, I suppose?" "Mary herself. Up with you, Tom! Catch hold of this branch—there! Now shake hands—you saucy fellow! I didn't say you might kiss me."
"Well, I couldn't help it; and, besides, arn't we cousins?" said Mr. Tom, swinging himself comfortably into a branch just above Mary.

"Why, Tom how you have changed!" ejaculated the young lady, pushing back the curls with one hand, that she might better view the playmate of her childhood days. "Your hair never curled so before; and what a nice moustache you've got! Shouldn't have

known you, Tom!"
"No?" said Tom, roguishly.
"I could return the compliment, if I dared. But where are all the rest of the family? The house below is as empty as a haunted hall." "All gone to welcome that horrid, poky old Prof. LaPlace who has graciously indicted his willingness to pass a few weeks with us. [Tom, I do hate that professor." "Hate him! What for?"

"Oh, I don't know, I'm sure. He's a snuff-dried, conceited old wretch, and I'll wager a box of gloves that he vears spectacles.' "Nonsense, Mary! Why he is only twenty-six." "I don't care; I know he is rheumat-

ic and wears spectacles, for all that. And, Tom—and if you'll never, never breathe a word of this—" "I won't, upon my word and honor!" said Tom. "Well, then, papa has actually got

the idea into his dear old head that I would make a nice wife for the professor, and—" Mary turned away with crimson indignation flashing in her cheeks.
"It is too bad of you too laugh,
Tom. I never, never will marry that

"I wouldn't if I were you," consoled Tom, "But, Mary, wait and see the man before you decide. He may be

quite a decent fellow."

"No!" said Mary, shaking her head and biting her cherry lips firmly. "I hate him beforehand." "What a spiteful little puss you are!" said her companion, laughing.
"No. Tom, I'm not." and the blue eyes became misty. "I love papa and mother dearly, and I love almost everybody. I like you, Tom; but I hate Prof. LaPlace. And I want you to promise, Tom, that you'll be my friend,

and not allow him to tease me into walks, or rides, or tete-a-tetes of any kind. Will you?"
Would he? If she had asked him to precipitate himself out of the pear tree upon the steps below, with those blue eyes fixed on his, he'd have done lt, any man of taste would

"I promise?" he said, and they shook nands on it. What a cosy place for a chat that gnarled old tree was.

And when they had talked over everything they could think of, it was the most natural thing in the world that Tom should recover the book which had slipped down into the net-work of tiny boughs, and read poetry to his pretty cousin in the deep musical voice that maidens love to listen to And Mary sat there watching the

jetty curls blowing to and fro on the broad, white brow, and the long black ashes almost touching his olive cheeks and she thought how very, very handsome Cousin Tom was, how much he had changed in the last ten years that had elapsed since she had seen him, and she wondered whether Tom was engaged to any pretty girl; somehow she hoped not. Now, why couldn't Tom have been rich like that horrid Prof. LaPlace, instead of a poor medi-

cal student, and— And when the large black eyes were suddenly lifted to hers, Mary felt as though he had read every thought of her mind, and blushed scarlet. "Come. Tom." she chattered, to hide her confusion, "we've been up here long enough. Help me down and I will show you the old sun dial that we used to heap up with buttercups when

we were children." A rumble of wheels; it was the running carriage, and Mary clung to Tom's "The awful professor!" she whispered. "Now, Cousin Tom, be sure you stand by me through everything. "To my life's end!" was the whis-

pered answer. But there was no one in the carriage ave Mr. Thorne and Ruth. It drew up on the grand sweep beside the two cousins. "Where's the professor?"

"He was not at the depot," said Ruth; "and-" But Mr. Thorne had sprung from the carriage and clasped both the stranger's hands in his.

"LaPlace, is it possible! Why, we have just been looking for you at Milk Station." "I am sorry I have inconvenienced

you, sir," was the reply: "but I came by the way of Wharton, and walked over this morning." "Never mind now you are safely here exclaimed the old gentleman.

"Ruth, my dear—Mary, let me introduce your cousin, Prof. LaPlace!" Mary had dropped his arm, and stood dismayed. "You told me that you were Cousin Tom!

"That is my name, and I believe I am a distant cousin by relationship. Now, Mary," and the black eyes sparkled, "don't be angry because I don't take snuff or wear spectacles. I beg the other Cousin Tem's pardon, whoever he is; but I am very glad he isn't here. Mary, be just and don't hate Cousin Tom because his other name happens to be LaPlace."

But no doubt it was a very perplexing thing to have two Cousin Toms; and so, about six months subsequently, Miss Mary contrived to obviate by allowing one of them to assume a near relationship; and in spite of all her asservations to the contrary, she is

Mrs. Prof. LaPlace. For it is a solemn fact in this world. that whenever a girl says she never, never will do a thing, she is pretty sure to do it the first chance she gets; and Mary is no exception to the general rule. - Yankee Blade.

Cement for Leather Belting.

An ordinary cement for a leather belt is wheat flour boiled in oil or turpentine, but the ends must be secured by rivets or it is not reliable. A better cement is made by soaking six ounces best glue in one pint of ale, then boil, add one and a half ounces of-boiled linceed oil and stir well. Another prescription is to take dissolved glue in the form as the cabinet makers use it and add tannic acid until creamy and ropy. Make the leather surfaces to be united rough, apply the cement hot, let it cool and dry under pressure and it will not need riveting, For rubber belting take pure rubber in thin slices, two ounces, dissolve in one pound of bisulphide of carbon. This is a good cement, but if kept

The sweet by and by is coming right along. The mahwa tree, recently discovered in the forests of Central India, bears blossoms which yield half their weight in pure sugar, and a single tree bears a thousand pounds of blossoms yearly. The day seems to be approaching when the down-trodden and oppressed of every clime will be able to

The Tale of a Nickel. "I have only been coined nine days." said a nickel to a penny lying in a box beside it, in a locked drawer. "A fine

like this!" "I have been in this box since the day I left the mint," replied the Penny, "but you must have traveled." "I have," laconically answered the

Nickel. "Tell me something about it," urged the Penny, and as all the other coins locked in the box, gold, silver, and copper, chinked out loudly, "Yes, tell," the Nickel began. "A banker got me at the mint. with

nineteen of my brothers, for we were wrapped in a \$1 roll. In my new master's purse I lay with golden \$20 pieces, some silver, and two or three pentions and some coppers, with his greasy fingers. He paid me out for five sticks candy, and I soon dropped into the clean till of a little shop in a poor part of the city. I would have been very well content to stay there, for we had light, the rest of the dimes, and nickels and myself, from a crack in the drawer. But it was not to be. A tramp got me, as part payment for carrying in coal, and he speat me for a drink of rum, so I was thrown by a red-headed saloon-keeper into a beersmelling drawer. There I remained until I was paid to a match-boy for a

box of matches. "I thought I should be crushed out of shape, for the boy put me in his breeches pocket and at once I fell down below some heavy marbles, two iron weights, a knife, and a piece of brick. Grinding, in terrible friction, in the midst of this oppressive heat, I managed to keep from crying out until the next day, when 1 was given in change to a fine lady, who put me in her purse with plenty of silver and gold pieces.

"This was a relief, but the lady rode home in her carriage to a great house, where a little child lay dying in a white crib. It was her child, and she sat crying, while the father and older brothers and sisters, with the physicians, crowded around the little crib. All were silent; but, alas! they could do nothing. I could see all this through the meshes of the purse, for the lady placed it on a table near the sick baby. One of the physicians, after the others spoke with him softly, wrote something on a bit of white paper. It was given to the maid-servant who took up the purse, where we all lay, and I was given for some medicine to a druggist, who put me in this dark box with the rest of you, and here I am."-Philadelphia News.

The Fashions.

From Gody's Lady's Dook. For misses, velveteen skirts of gar-Large, fancy buttons are used as clasps, and placed in groups of three on either side of basques and jackets. Pretty aprons for school wear are made of black silk worked in silk,

or of fine black alpaca decorated with crewels. Little heads of spaniels with glass eyes are seen on some of the new muffs, a fashion that we do not think will be received with favor

woolen fabrics which imitate a lace pattern placed over a colored lining. Stripes of all sizes continue in the reatest favor and appear in most costumes, though rarely employed without being combined with plain materi-

Thick, plushy, woolen materials are more worn as the season advances, for walking costumes. Smooth cloths, however, are still in great demand. Faded shades of violet and heliotrope are once more in great vogue for

prettily with cream or white lace. Persian lamb's wool, Astrakhan and black fox are the fashionable trimmings used upon tailor-made suits for

ladies in mourning.

Raised velvet flowers, a faithful copy of nature, are to be had ready to applique on to any dresses, such as roses, tulips, etc., quite works of art. Silver is the particular fashion of ne season, and for evening dresses it is impossible to go wrong in having silver trimmings or embroideries.

the season are skunk, beaver, wolverine and blue fox; sold in stripes, and most useful for trimming. Some new ribbons of plaid design with satin back are permanently scented; some of plush have a pattern

The newest feather trimming has no quills, is quite soft, and is shaded like able, which it closely resembles. This s still a most fashionable garniture;

Umbrella handles have their little fashions, like everything else, this winter the African cat's eye, mounted in silver, seems popular, also the Vienna leather, which exactly resembles old, discolored ivory, and is to be seen in various and artistic designs, copied

from the antique.

The winter bonnets are nearly all puffs of plush or velvet, with large bows of ribbon and jet ornaments, standing upon the front. A beautiful red plush one has a wired jet border,

fitting, are lined throughout, with (or without) a fur-lined hood and deep collar and cuffs. The cap is supposed to match. Brown cloth and very dark red are particularly fashionable.

In Choosing a Wife.

What is the most favorable time to see a woman in order to compose a character synopsis? Decidedly, I think at breakfast and during the forenoon.

how bright and animated she may appear further on, avoid her. Lead her not to suburban villa; engage no matrimonial apartments. . She will not ake a good wife. She will be a bore and a slattern.—Pall Mall Gazette.

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be just as fond of my third. I'm not a woman to marry for anything but

and if you were to die, John, I would

they are incurable wrecks.

ask for a diagram. That the Duke of Cumberland is in

weighs upward of eight tons. Said a Halifax young lady to a telegraph operator the other day: "You must be terribly exposed, receiving so many dispatches from the places where they have small-pox. Of course

Rockwall Kaufman, county, Texas, for buried treasure. The story is that many years ago a man killed his companion in a duel at that spot, and stuffed a

In the sweet by-and-by." The parson had a marriage fee soon after.

tine, dissolved in strong nitric acid. Its power is greater than that of nitro glycerine or dynamite, and it is much ess dangerous to handle. A young 5-year old hopeful was play-

me off my feet?" gratulate her on the event, and an-Gosh, if I haven't forgotten it! Tell you, parson, don't know what we'er going to do unless you use my hitching

> A toad has been cut out of a hard maple tree near Lawerence, Kas., where it is supposed to have been a prisoner for 100 years. The toad is as chirp and lively as in the days when it was a toadlet. No similar discovery has been made since Mr. Cleveland dug Bayard out of the sands of Delaware,

two blades of grass grow where one grew before is a public benefactor, needs some qualification. It all depends on what is done with the grass after it is grown. If fed to stock that cost more to keep than they are worth, the extra growth is of questionable value. -Am, Cultivator. A little girl had been given some

the man that beat Blain."

are doing a rushing business every

"We are goin' to have pie for din-ner," said Bobby to the minister. "Indeed!" laughed the dominie, amused at the little boy's artlessness; "and what kind of pie, Bobby?" this morning about pa bringin' you to

6 horses, git breakfast for 20 hands an' be all ready for a day's work afore 6 o'clock. That's what I call a good

"How are you gitting on, George?" she asked at the expiration of a couple

The fertility of the soil is the largest capital the farmer has employed, and upon it depends the profits of his other capital, The stock, the utensils, the houses, the labor, wil count for nothing unless the soil will produce a crop. Every acre of land worn out by improvident cultivation is so much bottom capital destroyed, and renders inoperative and unproductive to that extent other

climed into his birth after leaving Poughkeesie and fell asleep. when he awakened, some hours later, the train was standing at a station, a drizzling ——!——! luck!" The com

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Engineering by the Ancients.

C. E. KERR.

Second husband (to wife)-"Are you as fond of me as you were of your first husband, dear?" Wife—"Yes, indeed;

Cocaine, like fire or alcohol, is again proved to be a good servant but a bad master. A Chicago physician, addicted to its use experimented not only upon himself, but upon his wife and children, until he is a raving lunatic and

"How do you tell a fool when you see one, Mrs. Jones?" asked a weary-some old bachelor of a lively young widow. "I usually tell one to leave," she replied; and the bachelor didn't

something more than easy circumstances may be gathered from the fact that the gold and silver plate which he has inherited from the late King of Hanover and the Dake of Brunswick

you are vaccinated!" Men are now at work digging near

loot of \$10,000 in gold down a crawfish A hint to the bashful: He handed her the hymn-book with a mark in it where the hymn began, "When shall we embrace?"....She passed it back with the mark transferred to the hymn,

Hellosite is the snggestive name of a new explosive, compounded in a German laboratory. It is said to be a mixture of nitro-glycerine and gela-

that any reason why you should drag it away from under me so as to throw "Have you got the ring?" inquired the minister of the young man when they got to that part of the ceremony.

can tie us with that, can't you?"—Ex.

And Bayard isn't lively. The old saying that he who makes

verses to commit to memory by her Sunday school teacher. She told her mother about it on coming home, and

town supports five newspapers, five brass and string bands, and fifteen gambling establishments, four variety theatres, and one opera house, which

night.

"It's a new kind. Ma was talkin' dinner so often, and pa said he didn't care what she thought, and ma said she'd make him eat humble pie before the day was over, an' I s'pose we're go-"What a farmer needs in this world

wife." 'Doesn't she do it now deacon?" he was asked. "Oh, no," he replied, wiping away a tear, "she's dead." A Cincinnati girl told her young man she would never mrry him until he was worth \$10,000. So he started out with a brave heart to make it.

have saved \$22." The girl dropped her eyelashes and blushingly remarked; "I reckon that's nearly enough, George. We are both of age, and a license will only cost 50

capital invested in farming upon such

rain falling, and the following conver-sation taking place just outside of his

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MILLIONAIRE AND BAREFOOT BOY. 'Tis evening, and the red sun sinks slowly in The flowers fold their petals up, the birds fly, The crickets enirrip in the grass, the bats flit

On them and on the barefoot boy that drives

And the rich man murmurs to himself

-Harpev's Magazine. 'COUSIN TOM."

"Mary, I am astonished!" Of course the grave, elder sister was tives.

and a book in her hand.

spair.

"Well, then, have your own way, you incorrigible romp. I wish you weren't too big to shut up in a dark closet, or have your ears well boxed." "It is a pity, isn't it?" said Mary,

moving leaves, and now breaking into The carriage had driven away long

out eleven. And still Mary Thorne sat there in Suddenly there came into her leafy Not the late monthly roses, nor the amethyst borders of heliotrope, nor the

a cigar.' A cigar it was, and the owner thereboth. You are Cousin Tom, aren't you?" she continued, as sudden mis-

field, O., Union.

nies. I was spent that night for a newspaper, and went into a dirty pocket of a ragged little boy, who kept fumbling me, with several of my rela-

Long visites are made of the new

dressy toilets. These shades combine

Among the most fashionable furs of

upon them, in gray, black and white, like a leopard's back; in others the design resembles cross-stitch. as also a fringe formed of olive silk drops, to be had in all colors.

and is altogether bewitching and be coming. Some of the new traveling ulsters, shaped to the figure and almost tight

As a general rule, if she looks well then she is in good health; if she dresses neatly she is tidy; if she is full of projects for a morning's work, and executes a reasonable number, she possesses mental activity and bodily energy. Beware of the woman who complains of being cold in the morning, who looks sickly, who comes down late, who appears to have dressed hastily, who languishes a whole forenoon over a couple of letters to an absent sister or school-fellow. No matter

A curious case of blood poisoning was developed in the case of Ransom Corey, who died at Quincy a few days sience. He was shot in the arm in the war of the rebeilion and it healed and did not trouble him till about a week before his death, when it became troublesome and resulted in blood eat cake three times a day.—Spring- poisoning, causing his death.—Detroit to Dr. J. A. McGill, South Bend, Ind.,

At the meeting of the British Association, the president of the section on Mechanical Science, B. Baker, civil engineer, recalled certain engineering feats of the ancients: "I have no doubt time of life to be hustled into the dark that as able and enterprising engineers existed prior to the age of steam and steel as exist now, and their work was as beneficial to mankind, though different in direction. In the important matter of water supply to towns, indeed, I doubt whether, hav-ing reference to facility of execution, even greater works were not done 2,000 years ago than now, Herodotus speaks of a tunnel, S feet square and nearly a mile long, driven through a mountain in order to supply the city of Samos with water, and his statement, though long doubted, was verified in 1882 through the abbot of a neighboring cloister accidentally unearthing some stone slabs. The German Archæological Society sent out Ernst Fabricius to make a complete survey of the work, and the record reads like that of a modern engineering undertaking. Thus, from a covered reservoir in the about 1,000 yards long, partly driven as a tunnel and partly executed on the cut and cover' system adopted on the

London underground railway. The tunnel proper, more than 1.100 yards in length, was hewn by hammer and chisel through the solid limestone rock. It was driven from the two ends like the great Alpine tunnels, without in-termediate shafts, and the engineers of 2,400 years ago might well be congrat-uled for getting only some dozen feet out of level and little more out of line. From the lower end of the tunnel branches were constructed to supply the city mains and fountains, and the explorers found ventilating shafts and side entrances, earthenware socket pipes, with cement joints, and other in-teresting details connected with the

Some Curious Marriage Vows. Λ "graduate of the University of Matrimony" has lately published in England a bandsome book of marriages, in which he tells some amusing stories of marriage vows. He tells of a nervous bridegroom who, confusing the baptismal and marriage ceremonies, replied, when asked if he consented to

Scotch lady who, on the occasion of

her daughter's wedding, was asked by

an old friend whether she might con-

swered: "Yes, yes, upon the whole it

hates her good man; but then there is

The Modern Foot.

In Greek statues, as is well known,

the second toe of the foot is represent-

ed as longer than the great toe, while

in the modern European foot the

great toe is usually the longer Al-

brecht states that in this respect the

Greek foot is more quadrumanous than the modern. The second toe is

also represented in antique statues as

being futher separated from the great

toe than is seen at the present time.

This might be regarded as an other ev-

idence of quadrumanous character,

but it has also been suggested, and not

without reason, that it is simply the

result of wearing the sandal strap. In

the modern foot, on the other hand,

the reduction in the size of the small-

er toe is ascribed to the influence of

Correct, From The Start.

It is doubtless unwise to trot out

gubernatorial candidates at this time.

Gov. Alger will positively decline a re-

nomination. The Banner will support

whomsoever the Republicans of Michi-

gan may name for that office. But we

hope that the nomination may not be allowed to be dictated by a coterie of

Detroit aristocrats. A man in sympa-

thy with the popular reforms demand-

ed, a man of the people selected, wheth

er he must write three or six ciphers

to express his wealth. The money bag

A plowman says there are several

easy ways to prevent rusting of plows

and cultivators and to keep the teeth

bright. One is to give them a coat of

thick lime wash, as soon as they are brought in from the field. Another is

to dissolve an ounce of resin in four

ounces of linseed oil, and while hot

mix this with a quart of kerosene, and

stir well. This is laid on to the smooth

iron with a paint brush. Another way

is to dissolve an ounce of camphor in

some turpentine and add to this four

ounces of pulverized black lead or stove polish, and mix well. This may be rubbed on with a rag. To remove rust from plows or tools nothing is

better than a mixture of half pint of

oil of vitreol poured slowly into a

quart of water, and apply this to the rusted metal. Wash off with water.—

South America is more than double

the size of the United Sates. The em-

pire of Brazil seems on the map quite

as large as Australia. It is twenty-

four times the size of England. The

Argentine Republic is nearly as large

as Europe, taking Russia out. Bolivia

and Venezuela are each twice the size of England, New Granada and Peru

each as large as England and Scotland, Ecuedor something less, Paragua equal to Great Britain, Uruguay and Chili

about the same, and the little-known

regions of Paragonia and Terra del Fu-

ego at least double the dimensions of

Great Britain, British, French, and

Dutch Guiana are nearly as large as

The best bath we have found for

owls is an ash bath, says an exchange.

It far excels the dust bath although

the dust bath is used by nearly all suc-

cessful poulters. Take an old dish pan

or some vessel that is wide and shal-

low, fill it with dry, fresh wood ashes,

and the chicks will be in it before you can get out of the poultry house. We have seen this used and have never

found lice where it is used constantly.

The ashes get mixed through the feath-

ers and lice cannot long flourish in

Terrible Suffering.

W. W. Kennedy, Paola, Kan., writes:

'My wife has been a terrible sufferer

and is now almost completely cured.

We only wish other women could or

specific 'Orange Blossom.' It has done

us so much good." Sold in Buchanan, by E. S. Dodd & Son, druggists. Send

for "A Plain Talk to Ladies."

would use your valuable medicine, the

idea should disappear from politics.-

Hastings Banner.

Rural Messenger.

Great Britain.

shoes.—Scientific American.

always a something!"

water supply of towns.—Scientific

take the bride for his wife: "I renounce them all"; of a Hampshire rustic, who, when giving the ring, said solemnly to the bride, "With my ing on the lawn with his sister when he slipped and fell. Springing up, he began to belabor his companion with ungentlemanly fierceness, crying out, "If I did stand on your shadow was that the transfer of the standard of t body I thee wash up, and with my hurdle goods I thee and thou"; of another who, when asked whether he would take his partner to be his wedded wife, replied, with shameful indecision: "Yes, I'm willin'; but I'd a much sight rather have her sister"; and of a

is very satisfactory; it is true Jeanie strap. It's out in the buggy. Guess you

said they were the first three verses of a chapter in St. John. Her little brother was in the room, at once exclaimed, with a thump of his fist on the table: "Papa, don't iet her learn them! That's Butte City, Montana, has a population of 18,000, 4,000 to 5,000 of whom are employed in the mines at \$4.50 per day, while fully as many men are idle. The

in' to have it for dinner." to be successful," remarked Deacon Hayseed, "is a good wife. Then he's all right. My wife could git up in the mornin' at 4 o'clock, milk 15 cows, feed

of months.
"Well," said George hopefully, "I

land.—Nashville American. A commercial traveler bound west

window: First Speaker—"It's a blank-ety —!—!—! wet night Brown." Second Speaker-"Yes blank the —!—!—! weather!"
First Speaker—"Did you expect anybody on the blankety — !— !— ! ——! train? Second Speaker—"yes, but he didn't come, blank the blankety mercial traveler turned luxurionsly in his birth, drew a sigh of infinite content and murmured as he dozed off into dreamland: "We've got as far as Troy."

JOHN G. HOLMES, Editor.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1885

Goshen, Ind., experienced a \$65,000 blaze Saturday night. As a matter of safety, Democratic

congressmen are said to be having their coats made without button holes. The requium sung by the colored population of this country to Bob

Toombs, is not such as would natural-

ly excite the envy of the rising genera-

Mr. Eads has appeared at the national treasury with a capacious bag for cash, to build his ship railway with. This may be a commendable enterprise, but Uncle Sam has better use for his

shekels at present.

South Dakota has performed all the preliminaries necessary and applied for admission as one of the States. There is but one reason for expecting a failure to secure admission, Dakota is Republican and the House is Democratic. The first state to object is South Carolina through "Hamburg" Butler. Objections to matters of this description come with very poor grace from Mr. Butler.

Report comes from San Francisco that a gang of ultra socialists and their plot to blow up with dynamite twenty of the prominent citizens of Frisco, just because they were wealthy, has been unearthed by the authorities. These annihilists were arrested and their stock of explosives confiscated. The affair created considerable excitement in the golden city.

Thorp & Godfrey, the purchasers of the Lansing Republican, who take possession of that property and job of state printing, on January 1, announce their intention to issue a daily edition of the Republican, under the editorial management of L. J. Bates, for twenty years one of the editors of the Detroit Post and Tribune. Those who have been acquainted with Mr. Bates in that connection, will know to expect a firstclass paper in the new Daily Republi-

The question of Presidential succession is occupying the attention of Congress. All kinds of plans are being suggested. The New York Sun wants the House of Representatives given the election of a successor in case of inability of both President and Vice-President. A bill that has already been passed by the Senate and will most likely be treated in a like manner by the House provides that presidential electors shall hold office for four years, and, in the event of the death of another person. The street in front of the president or vice-president, they shall again assemble to elect a new vice-president, and that they shall continue so to do at any time the emergency may arise during their term of office.

Since the appearance of President Cleveland's Message with the statistics of the mint and government depostories, showing that there are but \$50,000,000 standard and silver dollars in circulatoon, or an average of less than one to each of the citizens of the country' Hon. R. G. Horr has been making estimates of the numbers of these silver pieces in the hands of banks, business men and private pockets, and concludes that the circulation of these silver tokens of value in the country is at least double the amount shown by the books of the government. The standard dollar contains an amount of pure silver and alloy that at the market price can be bought for 80 to 85 cents, but when coined the government says shall pass for \$1, leaving the enormous profit of about \$17 per hundred for counterfeiting the dollar and making it just as good as the government is furnishing. The conclusions reached by Mr. Horr are that the government has somewhere quite active competition in the business of making silver dollars, with the advantage of circulation largely in favor of the competitor. Perhaps this, in a measure, accounts for the massing of the silver coin in the government vaults that cannot be put in circulation, simply because the competitors privately supply the demands of business. This is one of the beauties of the legal tender "fiat", that makes nothing worth something.

Owing to the fact that the party most interested in the following letter, that appeared in the last copy of the St. Joseph Herald, has been operating in this section the past few months, we give the letter place in these columns. We are not aware of the Doctor's having secured any patronage, but publish this that those who patronize him may know of his antecedents:

POKAGON, Cass Co., Mich., Dec. 11. EDITOR HERALD:-There was a man here styling himself as Dr. Harvey, of St. Joseph. He came to our house a week ago last Saturday, the 28th of November; he wanted to doctor me. He said he could cure me in ten to fifteen days of the swimming of the head. He left me worse off than when he found me. He wanted \$10 down. I said I could not give it. I asked him if he would take my case for \$5 and he said he would. It I ever was imposed on, I was by him. Mr. Miller, my husband, thought he would take some medicine of him, so he wanted \$5 of him and Mr. Miller handed him a \$10 bill and Harvey put it in his pocket and went off with it. This was Sunday evening, and he would be back Monday morning, but he was too drunk. He put up at Mrs. Bramer's, in Pokagon, and when he went to get on the cars, to go to Dowagiac, he came very near getting under the wheels. It is a great pity that we have so many such men. Harvey told more lies while here than his neck is worth. John Tigart, of Pokagan, gave him \$10 to make change and Harvey walked off with that. He swindled us out of \$15. I don't care if you publish this. He had so much to say about his wife's boys. He said they, he and | mous Crouch tragedy in mysterioushis wife, had parted, and he was going to give her \$7,000. I would like to ask you if such men should not be handled for such conduct. MRS. FELIX MILLER.

An immense grey owl, with feet and talons as large as an infant's hand, was recently captured by Eugene Bridge, of Arlington.

PROF. KEDZIE, of the State Agricul-

In many parts of the state farmers find, especially at the bottom of muck beds and shallow ponds, a layer of varying thickness of a white or yellowish white material, differing in much from the ordinary soils in the vicinity that they are curious to know what this mineral is, and what it is good for, I have received so many specimens of this material for analysis, and so many letters of inquiry as to its value, and how to use it, that I have concluded to answer these questions once for all in the form of a bulletin. The materi-

MARL FROM BERRIEN COUNTY. Carbonate of lime...... 76.60 Carbonate of magnesia..... 4.54 Organic matter and loss 1.43

To the farmer marl is of value mainly as a fertilizer. When found on or near the farm it is the cheapest form in which line can be applied to the soil and exerts all the beneficial influence of lime, but in a milder degree than caustic lime. A certain amount of lime is required in every productive soil to furnish the necessary amount of lime found in the ashes of all plants, and absolutely required for their growth. But lime applied as a manure greatly in excess of this It causes the decomposition of inert vegetable matter found in many soils, and accelerates the elaboration of plant food. When mixed with the soil marl destroys the acid condition in any soil, decomposes the sulphate of iron which is sometimes present, and affords the alkaline condition in soils so necessary for nitrifica-tion and preparation of plant food.

KIND OF SOIL BENEFITED. Light sandy soils containing a fair supply of vegetable matter, and where the decomposition of humus is slow; soils that run to moss and bunch grass: soils so open and porous that the physical state of the soil prevents fruitfulness—all such soils will be benefited by a dressing of marl. So also where the excess of vegetable matter prevents succeasful cropping, as is seen in the shallow muck beds. When these "cat holes" have been cleared of bushes and properly drained, it is often found that they run to wild grasses, or if grain is sown, the product is loose-jointed straw instead of ripened grain. On such soils a dressing of 50 to 75 bushels of marl to the acre will greatly benefit the crop and ameliorate the soil.

Allen B. Morse, of Ionia, up to 1872, was a stalwart of the stalwarts. In 1872 Mr. Morse "saw the error of his ways," became a Greeley Democrat and naturally drifted into the true blue ranks, since that time showing the genuineness of his conversion by attending every Democratic state convension and demanding reform all along the line. When Mr. Morse was elected chief justice of the supreme court last spring his cup of rejoicing was about full, but when he was given a chance to appoint a postmaster the cup run over and he is now the happiest Democrat in the state.—Detroit Journal.

Good Sense as Well as Law.

The Michigan Supreme Court says: No town or city has a right to give a man a license or permit to sell any ware or merchandise on the sidewalk or street in front of the property of a man's place of business is held to be an appurtenance to the lot upon which his store is situated, and belongs to him and his business against all others except the right io travel thereon,"

[Niles Mirror.]

Four tramps broke into a freight car on a west bound M. C. train, Saturday, and opened a box of shoes. Three of them exchanged their well worn shoes for new ones. Two of the men escaped, while the other two were locked in the car and arrested here by Deputy-Sheriff Timmons. One, a boy about 16, had on new shoes.

Many of the old tattle grounds of the civil war have been converted into fields of agriculture, and the kindly hand of nature has liberally covered the unsightly scars of war, thus controverting the superstition that where nen have met and shed each other's blood in the shock of strife a curse will forever rest, blighting every living thing that struggles to draw its existence from the spot. Speaking of the ground where the bloody battle of Missionary Ridge was fought, the Atlanta Constitution says it has been converted into a strawberry patch, where the most delicate of berries grow in rich profusion. Yankee colonists have climbed with hoes where Yankee soldiers rushed with bayonets, and the earth has reddened after each invasion. On these sunny slopes the gardener finds his ideal home, and the berry lazily perfects itself. Land that went begging a few years ago at \$2 an acre now commands \$250 an acre, and where natives starved on 500 acres now are New Englanders growing rich on

State Items.

A ferocious wild cat was recently killed by John Smelzer near chippewa

The trial of Henry Holcumb for perjury in the Crouch murder case was commenced in Hillsdale Circuit Court, Ranson Corey died at Quincy a few

days ago from blood poison, resulting from the breaking out of a wound received in the war. Dowagiac fair did an enormous bus-

lishing installments of the list of premiums awarded. The Downgiac Times offers cold comfort to the defeated candidate by reminding him that "Whom the Lord

iness last Fall. The Times is still pub-

loveth He chases." Saturday morning a lady passenger on the Michigan Central train bound for Lawton, Van Buren county, was

robbed of her purse containing \$400. Dowagiac considers herself pretty well protected against fire, with a steam and a hand engine, 1,500 feet of hose belonging to the city and a largesized chemical engine belonging to P.

D. Beckwith.

The postoffice at Graafschap, Allegan county, was robbed Friday night. The office was connected with a store, and about \$100 worth of goods were taken, besides a quantity of postage stamps and cards.

The tragedy by which Frank Knock, his wife and two children were murdered and their little home in Springwells, near Detroit, burned over them, early Wednesday morning, Dec. 16, appears to be a counterpart of the faness and horror.

Michigan is fast gaining in renown as the popular part of the country for mysterious murders. Head quarters for this kind of work is fast being located in and about Detroit. If a week passes without a tragedy of some sort being enacted there the police would feel lost.

Gov. Alger visited the state public tural College, has issued a bulletin on school at Coldwater, Wednesday, and marl, from which we glean the fol- when he departed the children's fund for Christmas presents was \$100 larger than when he came.

> M. T. Heimbach, formerly of Three Rivers, but latterly living at Lyons, Kan., drank a big dose of aconite, mistaking it for Kansas whisky. He didn't discover the mistake until the coroner and a jury of six good men declared the death impremeditated. - Detroit

A Saranac young man wanted to get married, but he didn't want to pay too much for the job, hence he got bids from the preachers, one of whom demanded \$3 for the job, while the second was willing to tie the knot for \$2. The Saranac young man chose the latter, and he is well married and \$1 richer than he would have been had no competition existed .- Detroit Journal.

An old vet at Coldwater, named Lossing, and well known as "Hank", was to have gone to the Soldiers' Home, at Grand Rapids, on Saturday last, but died suddenly of rheumatism of the heart the previous night. - Evening.

GEN. BEAUREGARD will give a history of the Shiloh Campaign in the January number of the North American Review. He claims that Gen. Algernon Sydney Johnson acted only as a corps commander at Shiloh. Gen. Beauregard emphatically asserts (contrary to the common belief) that he was the sole commander on both days, and, without naming them, controverts the reports of Grant and Sherman as to the nation's forces being taken by surprise.

Frank Leslie's Sunday Magazine

For January, beginning the Nineteenth Volume, is a brilliant holiday number, abounding in text and pictures appropriate to the season. It opens with an interesting and instructve essay on "Christmas Carols." Dr. Talmage's sermon is on "Christmas in America," and there are several Christmas and New Year's stories and poems, all finely illustrated. Perhaps the article that will attract the most attention is "Prehistoric America," by the Rev. Geo. T. Rider, with twenty-two illustrations. There are many short and timely articles, and the full-page pictures are beautiful and numerous. The regular serials "Love's Harvest," and "Dilletante Days" go on, and the Editorial Departments are full and complete. Published by Mrs. Frank Les-Lie, 53, 55 and 57 Park Place, New York city, at 25 cents a number, or \$2.50 a year, postpaid.

PHACTS AND PHYSIC.

One of the cruelest retorts made by any musical audience is reported from California. A vocalist was warbling to her own great satisfaction, "Oh, would I were a bird." A rough miner replied: Oh, would I were a gun."

"Words fail to express my grati-tude," says Mr. Selby Carter, of Nashville, Tenn., "for the benefits derived from Ayer's Sarsaparilla. My system was filled with scrofula; blotches, ulcers, and mattery sores, all over my body."
Mr. Carter was entirely cured by
Ayer's Sarsaparilla, eight months ago,
and has had no return of the scrofulous symptoms.

"I have such an indulgent husba said little Mrs. Doll. "Yes, so George says," responded Mrs. Spiteful, quietly. Sometimes he indulges too much, doesn't he?" They no longer speak to each other.

The untidy, dirty appearance of a grizzly beard should never be allowed. Buckingham's Dye for the whiskers will readily change their color to a brown or black, at discretion, and thus keep up your reputation for neatness and good looks.

Salsify, or vegetable oyster, is a very agreeable dish when scalloped; use bread crumbs instead of crackers, and moisten with cream if you have it, or with milk with a little butter melted in it, if you cannot get cream.

Why continue the use of irritating powders, snuff or liquids. Ely's Cream Balm, pleasant of application and a sure cure for catarrh and cold in head, can be had for 50c, at druggists. It is easily applied with the finger, is safe ane pleasant, and is curing the most obstinate cases. It gives relief at once.

Children usually esteem it a great privilege to spend the night with a schoolmate, but it is a privilege the careful parent will most jealously guard. Being a sufferer from catarrh, and

having derived great benefit from the use of Ely's Cream Balm I can highly recommend it. Its sales are far in excess of all other catarrh remedies.—B. Fradken, Druggist, Sigourney, Iowa. "Have you ever been seasick?" ask-

ed a young man of his best girl. "No but I came very near it once." "How was that?" "I saw two men kissing each other. Ugh!"

George Campbell, Hopkinsville, Ky., says: Burdock Blood Bitters is the best preparation for the blood and stomach ever manufactured.

William H, Vanderbilt's chief cook was paid \$4,000 a year. BEWARE OF FRAUDS .- Be sure you get the gunuine Dr. Thomas' Eclectric

Oil. It cures colds, croup, asthma, deafness and rheumatism. So Jones is dead—has paid the debt of nature.....Brown: No, he compromised at less than 50 per cent....

Smith: How's that?...Brown: He left his better half behind him. Bad drainage causes sickness, bad blood and improper action of the liver and kidneys is bad drainage to the hu-

man system, which Burdock Blood Bitters remedy. As soon as a man gets perfectly familiar with his name he begins to write

it so that nobody else can read it. M. L. Blair, Alderman 5th Ward, Scranton, Pa., stated Nov. 9, '83: He had used Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil for

sprains, burns, cuts and theumatism. 1 The one great reason why Grant's book is so successful is that the life it treats of had something in it.

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CHRISTMAS to-morrow.

THE shortest days of the year are

Sr. Joseph is sighing for street lamps. Got to have 'em.

J. F. JORDAN, well-known here, has located in St. Paul, Minn.

MISS LENAH MCNEIL has gone for a visit with friends in Michigan City.

THE Mirror tells of a great amount

Niles.

of petty thieving and shop-lifting in

IF you hear any one complaining of the weather we have been having the past ten days, hit him.

WE wish you all a Merry Christmas, to morrow, and take it as granted that you wish us the same.

POTATO rot is making bad work with that necessity of life in many, parts of of this state.

MR. CHARLES SPENCER has gone for a few week's visit with friends in Milton, Ind.

ONCE more comes S. A. Wood, the druggist, with an announcement to the patrons of the RECORD.

THE Benton Harbor Palladium office will be occupied by Berrien County Horticultural Society, next Saturday.

MISS TILLDA SEARLS has returned from a two week's visit with friends in South Bend and Mishawaka.

THE St. Joseph boats have drawn from the lake, and gone into winter

MILBURG lyceum has decided that intemperance has caused more misery than war. That settles it.

WE have just received a copy of a

Tolare, California, paper from R. S.

Mr. John Alexander is home for a holiday vacation, from his school in Ann Arbor. MR. HENRY GROVER, a former Rec-

ORD office imp, now employed in Chicago, is in Buchacan for the holidays.

MRS. ROBT. CLARK has gone for a visit of a few weeks with her brother, in Cleveland, Ohio.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Housewerth, in Berrien township,

MR. N. HAMILTON has of span of colts, four and five years old, brothers, that weigh alike, 1260 pounds each. Rather an uncommon occurrence.

Some Eau Claire business men were visited, Saturday night, by burglars who swept in two or three hundred pennies.

THERE seems to be quite an epidemic of lost notes in this vicinity. A dozen, more or less, have been reported, and two advertised.

GEORGE CHURCHULL is still adding to the variety of his manufactures, until he will have a complete line of toy wagons and furniture in his list.

MR. GALEN ODERKIRK, of the Farm and Fireside, Detroit, was in this place yesterday and made the RECORD a pleasant call.

Mrs. A. J. CRANDALL and children left this place to join Mr. Crandall, in | of Carver, Minn., to take place Wedof their future home.

railroad from Kalamazoo to Benton Harbor goes on with undiminished

Among the recommendation of government engineer for harbor improvements, is one for \$51,000 for St. Joseph harbor, and \$82,500 for South Haven

MRS. E. THOMAS. of this township. fell upon the ice in this place, Saturday afternoon, and received some quite

severe injuries.

yeanesaay in January. from next Wednesday.

G. A. BLAKESLEE's bay term hauled in 1852 feet basswood logs, from Hanover's, in Weesaw township, to Galien, on Tuesday last.

MR. AND MRS. JOHN SMITH are the proud possessors of a daughter, born to speak to grandpa Mathews about it. of it.

MISS LOTTA ALLEN gave a very pleasant elocutionary entertainment, in Rough's Opera House, for the Mite Society of the M. E. Church, Tuesday evening. The attendance was small.

THE young people have enjoyed the moonlight evenings of the past week in coasting parties in different parts of town, some of them taking good, long rides. It is lively sport.

The annual war on rabbits is now in progress in this vicinity, and strngs of a dozen or twenty are seen coming into town. The deadly ferret does the | if Bakertown cannot muster the tree business.

THERE will be preaching by Eld. Wm. M. Roe, and also song service at the Chrstian church next Lord's day evening. The exercises will be appropriate to the close of the year.

Some one must have given the Niles Democrat editor a Christmas turkey. The Democrat is out two days ahead of its date, to allow the editor to enjoy Christmas. The Bohemian Oats business is not

so prosperous as it was in times agone. But few farmers can now be found who have neither read nor heard of the swindle. THERE are still a few rumblings in

the neighborhood of the narrow gauge extension. We are all waiting patiently for something more definitely to de-FRED HODGES, Guy Osborn, Mr. and

Mrs. W. G. Nichols, Miss Alice and Master Fred Nichols, Miss Mand Hamlin, and Will Beardsley are among the Chicagoites who are expected to pass Christmas in Buchanan. ----

THE managers of the rink have pro vided for some lively fun for to-morrow evening. The chase to put the greased pig in a basket will make sport, and most likely more than one pile of skaters.

MRS. FRANK CAMP, of Weesaw, died vesterday, after a brief illness of lung difficulty, aged about twenty years. The remains were brought to Oak Ridge cemetery for interment to-day.

List of letters remaining uncalled for in the post-office at Buchanan Mich., for the week ending Dec. 24: Geo. L. Kelley, Mrs. G. D. Monroe, Miss Mary Wilbert, Mrs. Lettecia Yant. L. P. ALEXANDER, P. M.

Now is the time to provide for reading matter for the coming year, and have all subscriptions begin with the year. Remmember that we acceive subscriptions for all leading publications of the country, including the RECORD.

THE regular meeting of Buchanan Grange, next Saturday, will convene at 11 o'clock A. M., instead of the usual hour. A full attendance is requested, as important business will be before the Grange.

Lost.—A promisory note for \$400, given in January 1885 by Frank Gano, to B. M. Pennell, has recently been lost. All persons are hereby warned to not buy such note as the amount has been paid and receipted for. B. M. PENNELL.

ATTENTION is called to the prospectus of the Chicago Inter Ocean in this paper. Subscriptions for any of its editions or combinations advertised taken from the RECORD subscribers at reduced rates for the two.

An energetic editor has established a paper in Richmond, Mich., devoted to the small but wildly-known Smith family. Every item in its columns relates to some Smith. This was probably necessary to the perpetuation of that family.

To settle a dispute between one of the members of the Common Council and the Chief of Fire Department, the boys will try to get up steam in the steamer and throw water in four minutes, or less, from time of lighting fire, the test will be made Christmas afternoon about 3:30, weather permit-

AT rooms of Buchanan Music School. on New Year's night, the junior and senior classes of the High School will give a supper and sociable. Humorous literary exercises will be given by the seniors, and music will be furnished by the orchestra. Admission, 10 cts.; supper, 15 cts. Proceeds for benefit of school.

CHARLES BAEHR AND MATILDA STIMLEY, of Niles, were married by Esquire Dick, Tuesday. They start out well provided for. The bride claims parentage to eleven children, three of whom are the same age, and the family of the groom is too numerous to mention. They departed with the blessing of the Justice, and good wishes of the guests.

CARDS have been received in this place announcing the marriage of Mr. J. W. Searls and Miss Allie Anderson, Kirwin, Kansas, Monday, the location | nesday, Dec. 23, at the home of the bride's parents. Willie, as Mr. Searls is familiarly known here, has the con-STILL the windwork of building a gratulations of a large circle of friends

> THE President sent to the Senate on Monday last the name of Wm. J. Edwards for postmaster in this city. To a large portion of the democracy as well as many others, this appointment will be far from satisfactory.—Mirror. The editor of the Mirror was a candidate.

NEARLY every community contains a class of fellows who calculate to sponge the greater share of their living from the business men of the town, THE January term of the Board of and but few men can be found who Supervisors will convene on the first | have been long in business who have not | nile works of all kinds, both in books one or more thousand dollars of ac- | and periodicals. Their Baby Land, for counts of goods he has contributed to | the little ones, at 50 cents; Pansy, for this class. Some survive this loss | the medium sized little ones, and Wide while others are bankrupt by it. In Awake, for the large sized little ones, many towns merchants have combined | are of there class the best that reach against this class of customers by keeping what they term "a black list" of those not worthy of trust. Thus far Buchanan has no such combination, but this now strong talk of forming | day abound, and in the many useful | write up the news occasionally, I will

MERCHANTS in this place cannot complain of the business they have had in holiday goods, this year. Some of the firms had bought what they thought would be a large stock, were obliged to go to Chicago, for more holiday goods. They have some good newspaper advertisements which helped get them into this trouble.

Some of the denizens of Bakertown inform us that we shall be obliged to finish the Bakertown Christmas tree, mentioned last week. Never, no never! We have done our part, and now and some fruit for it, they'll have to go without one.

ONCE more has faithfulness been ignored by the Administration. Our friend Cook, of Niles, has been one of the faithful wheel horses of Berrien county democracy, lo, these fifty years, most of time their bugle blower and now when he asked for recognition of his labors by the appointment to the Niles postoffice he is left, by the appointment of Capt. W. J. Edwards.

Some person of an enquiring turn of entered Mr. D. Scidmore's house in Dayton, Tuseday night, during the absence in this place, of Mr. and Mrs. Scidmore, and upset things pretty generally, evidently in search of the money he was known to have just received for his crop of furs. So far as was known this morning nothing was missing.

ONCE more has inventive genius in Buchanan ripened and borne fruit. Mr. Geo. Slater has produced a new table-leaf support that, besides being an unique device different from anything else in the market, it has many good qualities that should make it a good selling article. We trust Mr. Slater may meet with the best of success with the invention. The market is well-filled with competition.

A NUMBER of the friends and neighbors of Geo. W. Fox took advantage of his business hours, while he was at the store at work, Tuesday, to take possession of his premises and run things about as they saw best. When they turned the household over to George again, all had had a good time and George had a number of substantial reminders in the future that that had been his birthday.

ONE of the leaders in projecting the extension of the Vandalia railroad to St. Joseph is putting in this week at different points along the proposed line of extension, and was expected here to-day. We would rather have that road through the town than a half-dozen court houses, but may not get either. Future developments are awaited with interest.

DOWAGIAC pays \$10 to the man who first gets to the fire engine with his team, when there is an alarm of fire This will furnish teams nicely in case of night alarms, when they are most likely to occur. By the way, how does Buchanan manage to get a team in such a case? Wonder what kind of an arrangement it would be for the village to own a good team, and then keep it in a convenient place far such emergencies?

Ox Jan. 1, Mr. Chas. Blatchley, who for a number of years held the position of drug clerk for W. A. Severson and his successor, S. A. Wood, will leave his place there for a similar position in a South Bend drug store. His place with S. A. Wood will be supplied by Salma Barmore. Mr. and Mrs. Blatchley have made many friends during their sojourn in Buchanan who will not be pleased at their departure.

THE Wabash road has opened the sport at Benton Harbor, by asking for right of way through Bow, Main and Elm streets through the town to the west boundary line. Good citizens of the place, who claim to be able to see farthest through a mill stone, think this means the removal of the terminus of the road to St. Joseph, and they object. The time is, without doubt, not far distant when all railroads centering in that vicinity will occupy the middle ground in the swamp between the two for one union depot, to accommodate all roads and both towns.

AT the meeting held at G. A. R. Hall, Niles, Dec. 14, for the purpose of reorganizing the Berrien County Agricultural Society, the subject was discussed at some length, and the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved. That a committee of five be appointed by the Chairman to draft the amended articles of association for Berrien County Agricultural Society placing the same on a solid responsible stock basis, and that said committee be requested to present the same to an adjourned meeting of this Society, to be held at G. A. R. Hall, in the city of Niles, on Monday, the 21st day of Dec., 1885, as 1 o'clock, P. M.

Thomas Mars, Wm. J. Gilbert, Geo.

Correl, Wm. A. Palmer and Geo. Gil-

lette were appointed as such committee.—Niles Democrat. NILES will vote on Saturday, Jan. 2, on the qsestion of authorizing the expenditure of \$65,000 in building city buildings, such as city hall, office rooms, jail, and such other appurtenances as tend toward the proper government of a large-sized community. The Board of Supervisors will doubtless have the result of that vote laid before it, with the plea that that means County Seat in Niles. The vote is being duly and properly advertised by the City Recorder, and every move being made in a correct manner. Such improvements go far in making a town, and the debt incurred goes about

as far in keeping people away from it after it is made. D. LATHROP & Co., Boston, is without doubt the leading house in the country for the publication of juveus. The greatest excellence of these publications is in their freedom from hobgoblin or ghost stories, with which so many of the juvinile works of to-Sunday, Dec. 20. Be careful to not one. There is no doubt great need lessons taught. Good Christmas pres-

ents for the little ones.

MASONIC ELECTION. - Buchanan Lodge No. 68, F. & A. M., elected the following officers last Monday even-

Frank Munson, W. M. A. C. Bartlett, S. W. Stephen Scott, J. W. Geo. H. Richards, Treas. B. D. Harper, Sec. C. H. Baker, S. D.

Theodore Koch, J. D. The W. M. elect has made the following appointments: Seth Smith, Chaplain

Morris Lyon, C. O. Hamilton, Stew-Solomon Wirick, Tyler.

The installation of these officers will take place Morday evening, Dec. 28.

Wooden Wedding. Mr. and Mrs. Wellington Halleck celebrated there wooden wedding, on the evening of Dec. 22. Their pleasant home, in the Bend of the River, was visited by a crowd of guests who literally filled the dwelling full.

A large list of substantial tokens of friendship was left by the guests. An excellent time was enjoyed by both old and young, and after remarks by Rev. B. Finney, in which he tendered the thanks of the happy couple to their friends and well wishes for them on behalf of the guests, the entire gathering gradually dispersed to their homes amid music from Ira Wagner, violinist; M. Burdett, guitarist and Anna Gver, organist.

HERE is a bit of horse sense from the architect of the State columns of the Detroit Evening Journal that is worth repeating because it is brimfull of truths that apply to Buchanan as well as to the towns mentioned:

"It doesn't pay, citizens of inland towns, they say, to organize excursions and visit larger towns to do their trading. The money spent for railroad fare they call a dead loss; while that devoted to purchasing in the home market would help to build up the town and encourage home merchants to improve their business methods. No village, people believe, can prosper so long as the bulk of its trade is diverted to outside markets, and that the sooner all realize this the sooner will the evil be remedied. The merchants of Monroe, of Marine City, of Big Rapids, of Flint, and of all the smaller cities and towns of the state think they can supply goods at reasonable rates if the citizens of those towns will give their patronage. If the money is carted off to larger towns, stagnation follows in the home market and the village's or city's progress is retarded or permanently killed.

The New County Atlas.

Mr. Graves has the work nearly done on the new county atlas that has been occupying him for many months. It has been a greater undertaking than he anticipated and so far has cost him more than he expected; still he has left nothing undone that would is possible to make it. He is now ready to put his manuscripts into the in the Baptist church. These social hands of the engraver; if he does this he must be assured that he will sell a reasonable number, or the cost of publishing will more than offset the compensation he will receive. He cannot afford to make a map of Berrien county and then pay for it in part for the accommodation of our people. He had better let his work lie in his office. Many have been sold for delivery when published, but more must be sold to warrant him in ordering it engraved. I thus connected with all his customers. Only as many will be printed as are subscribed for, and those not subscribing will not be able to get one at all, at the price he offers it. The cost is too great for him to take any chances on having a single copy left unsold on his hands. He is now verifying his plates, which will take him into most localities of importance in the county, and he will himself receive subscriptions, and as he will have a part of his work with him, he can show what may be expected in the way of a complete atlas and his word as to finish, etc., may on his face as A. L. Drew puts in his be relied upon. It is the last chance to secure a reliable map of the county for many years, for if his success is not assured it will be poor encouragement for any other engineer to undertake a similar work. The old atlas is completely outlawed and practically worthless. Liberality at this time will secure one for any one who may desire it; otherwise, we must plod along for a vacation until after the holidays. another twenty years without one that is useful to the Berrien county people of to-day.

GALIEN ITEMS.

Dec. 23, 1885. Jef. Otis, a former resident of this place, who has been in Iowa for the past 20 years, is now visiting friends here. His long hair and long absense remind one of Rip Van Winkle. Bird Wheaton, a nephew of Reub.

Wheaton, is visiting friends here, after an absence of ten years. C. A. Witte has recently shipped three car-loads of hogs to Chicago, and has shipped 350 turkeys for the Christ-

mas market.

is very sick.

There will be three Christmas trees in Galien, in Christmas eve. One for the Union S.S.; one for the Latter Day Saints, and one for the Lutherans. Miss G. Emery, of Buchanan, is to teach the school recently taught by Mrs. Hanover, who died last Thursday. Mr. Davis Owens, south of Galien,

John McCracken has a job of braking on the railroad. Ditto, Henry Bishop Blakeslee is in Iowa, in the interest of the church of the Latter

Day Saints. Prof. Hubbard, of musical fame, is to hold an institute here between Christmas and New Years.

The Literary Society, last evening, discussed Temperance against Ignorance and Superstition. Crowded house, and music by the Galien cornet band and New Troy glee club.

Geo. A. Custer Post, No. 208, elects the following officers: B. R. Sterns, P. C.; R. Alcot, S. V. C.; J. D. White, J. V. C.; F. Goodenough, Chaplain; A. Pyle, Q. M.; J. A. Jones, Surg.; D. Swem, Adjt.; F. Hanover, O. G.; Wm McMaster, O. D.

Vacation next week. Mr. M. A. Peeso, business manager for Hubbard's Voice Co, is in town. Jumbo will please pardon this intrusion into his sanctum. If he will not do so again.

NEW TROY ITEMS.

Dec. 21. Mrs. W. Kelly, of Niles, but a former resident of this place, was here visiting her friends last week.

Dr. Streeter succeeded in removing his personal property to Niles last week. The Dr. evidently hated to say farewell, but he did all the same. The grist mill runs night and day, in order to supply the demands of its customers.

The exhibition at Elm Valley, last Friday evening, reflected great credit upon the youthful heads who labored so hard to make it a success. May they be equally as diligent in the every day work of the school room.

It makes the boys smile when they wake up in the morning and observe the "dude's" cutter resting peacefully upon the not far distant hog pen.

Queer how a young man's sand will fail him, when he stands before the object of his admiration, and observes a far away look in her entrancing eyes. But such is fate.

Miss Dell De Lapp has just returned from her visit with relatives and friends near Lansing.

Married, at Troy station, on Dec. 20th, A. W. Pierce, Esq., of New Troy, and Mrs. Almira Curran, of same place. No need to wish that pair joy for they're bound to be joyful, let come what may.

Mr. H. L. Potter finds that in two months he has walked 320 miles, or eight miles per day, rain or shine. It takes grit to make a country school teacher "you know."

Mr. Charles R. Shaw has gone to housekeeping. This does not mean that Charley is married, O, no, but Christmas is coming.

· Preaching at the M. E. Church next Sunday morning at 10:30.

The many school teachers of Berrien county will miss the smiling face and bright mind of their associate, Mrs. Ella Hanover nee Stephens who died last week.

Mr. George Tripp was accidentally poisoned by morphine last week, and was buried by the Odd Fellows, Sun-

How easy it is to criticise the actions of others, but how hard to live up to those prescribed rules ourselves. Mr. Wm. Smith was in town Sunday.

SAWDUST.

THREE OAKS ITEMS. A thaw has broken into the world of business about here. Our streets

put on metropolitan airs during the short spell of good sleighing. Our good Baptist brothers and sisters, headed by the shepherd of their flock, made a descent upon one of our citizens, who is, unfortunately, crippled in one eve, with the ostensible purpose of taking advantage of him (in the way of numbers at least), and if possible turn him from the error of his ways. The result of the visit, we learn, will be a sermon, strongly embracing

the Swedenborgen doctrine, delivered visits are the means of much good. James L. McKie, not wishing to worry his wife mornings to do the forenoon scolding before business hours, has erected a telephone between the house and store so that the work can be done at any hour that circumstances demand. James has always manifested a very accommodating spirit to his customers as well as family, and we expect in the near future, to find him

New Buffalo has suddenly been transformed into the best wheat market in the south-western part of the county. G. R. Weed is the enterprising man who runs the market there. Three Oaks merchants should look a "a letle out."

Tax collectors are among the happiest of our people, and are putting in their work well. He makes the best haul out of Henry Chamberlain in Three Oaks, and we are told that in Chikaming, the broadest grin is seen appearance, and Galien Geo. A. Blakeslie, turns the beam upward with a sudden bound, and as these men discharge their duties in this direction, it is said it is done with a heavy heart. They must have our sympathy, as it is gone and we know not where.

Mr. Miller, who taught the Drew school in Chikaming, has dismissed for Guy Drew left here last week for a visit to his uncle in San Bernardino, Califonia. We presume that when his services are needed here, he will return to assist his father in his duties as County Surveyor, as he has been in good demand in this work most of the past summer and fall.

Mrs. Chatterson, who has been very sick, we are pleased to know, is recov-

Arthur Paine's many, many friends are anxious to hear him toot his horn KENO.

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CHRISTMAS PRESENTS. A nice box of Stationary always

makes an acceptable present to anyone. We have the finest line of Stationary in the city, and lots of other presents P. O. NEWSTAND. 6 I still have a complete line of Hanging Lamps, Glassware, and Crockery which can be bought at very low fig-

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See the TOYS at JOHN MORRIS'. FOR RENT.-A good House on Por tage street. Inquire at the Township Treasurer's Office. Kalamazoo city is the possessor of always be found at the news depot in

If you want the best Watch for the least money, go to J. J. ROE'S. Hanging lamps than ever, at

Plenty of new Honey, from J. J. BISHOP'S. Roe's Apiary, at A good, all wool JERSEY for 85 cts. GRAHAM,

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Call and see those fine Lamps for one dollar, at BISHOP'S. I have a choice line of Tea Sets, Dinner Sets, Chamber Sets, and Mush and Milk Sets, which will make very nice Christmas presents. Call and see C. B. TREAT'S. them, at

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Come and see the new things for

Holiday trade. Old Santa Clause has

ELECTION NOTICE. The annual election of the Farmer's Mutual Fire Insurance Association of Berrien County, Michigan, will be held at the Secretary's office, in the village of Buchanan, the second day of January, A. D., 1886, for the purpose of electing one President, one Secretary and

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Look at our Neck Scarfs. We show the cheapest line. REDDEN & BOYLE. The best chance yet. We are selling Bogues Soap, 4 bars for 25 cents. MORGAN & CO. Celery received daily, at RISHOP'S.

STOVES AT COST. SAMSON & PIERCE Our 10 cent Canton Flannel goes like hot cakes. Other stores sell the same for 121/2 cents. It pays to trade REDDEN & BOYLE 20

KEELER's is the place to find Photo and Autograph Albums, fine Toilet and Perfume Cases, Books, Dolls, &c. I have a few cloaks left, and if I can fit you, will give you some low prices.

Ladies. look at our Bed Spreads. We sell you a nice one for \$1.00, at REDDEN & BOYLE'S. Try Prize Baking Powder, at BISH-

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day Stippers. Call and see them be-For sale, cheap, large house and

Ladies, call and see those Slipper Soles J. K. Woods has. They are

splendid. Everybody buys them. The best all wool Hose you ever saw for 25c, at our REDDEN & BOYLE.2 and for nice presents call and see me.

You ought to see the fine present given away with Baking Powder, at GEO. W. FOX'S.

DON'T FORGET that I am still on deck with a good stock of Groceries,

at bed rock prices. GEO. W. FOX. Call at GEO. Fox's and see his new stock of Queens Ware just received. Look at our 10 cent Handkerchiefs. ew line. 45 REDDEN & BOYLE. We have a new line.

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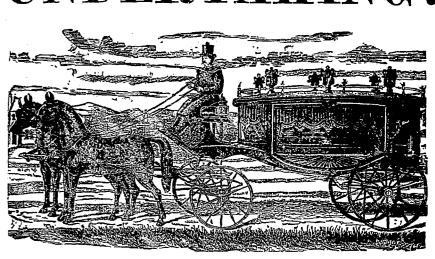
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We are so crowded with [customers that we cannot take the time to tell what we have.

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such
As caused all things beneath his magic To be transformed into the rarest gold.
Until he went to where Pactolas rolled
And, bathing, lost the power which gave

Of yellow metal to his miser clutch, According to the ancient story told,

My prayers would ask the altering of my That I might cause all words to be With thoughtfulness that never one would drift
Beyond the gateway of the lips to throw
A shadow, but each should have power to lift,
And truth should gleam with precious, golden glow.

A SET-TO AT WEST POINT.

"Rough-and-Tumble" Fight Between Two Pugilistic Cadets-Ring and Referee. [United Service.]

Promptly the principals would throw off uniform coats and and caps, unsling suspenders, if they were them—few cadets ever did—and then the seconds would see to it that rings were removed from the fingers. The referee would caution the crowd against the faintest cheer or noise, and order them to keep well back if "rough-and tumble" was decided on, or to form a ring if it were "stand-up." The former was most in favor, as being quicker, sooner over among evenly matched men, and less liable to interruption, so "rough-andtumble" it generally was, unless a pair of scientific boxers were pitted in the

ring.

Kicking, gouging, biting or striking below the belt were never permitted an account of the control of th instant. The fight was lost to him whose temper might betray him into such a thing, and no cadet was bound to give him satisfaction in the future. These things were well understood. In three minutes from their arrival in the fort the seconds had their men in readiness; the referee quietly nodded "go ahead," and the men were brought face to face, and, with no other formality, let fly at each other's headpiece. For two minutes, perhaps, they would make the air lively with resounding thuds, the blows would be thick and fast, and the combatants would dance around at a lively rate.

Then would come the clinch, the straining wrestle, and then the heavy fall to earth, with the seconds bending over and watching every move; and the excited crowd muttering-not shouting —cheer or counsel, the struggle would last until the exhaustion of one party proved him defeated. Then his second, not he, could call enough. A blow one instant after that was foul; a word of menace or abuse during the fight was punishable by the referee, and no man dare interfere so long as fair play was observed. I never saw more honest fair fighting than at West Point, and of the hundred or more that took place during my four years of cadet life I can recall only two that were not pluckily and sturdily fought out to the bitter end. Then, and usually not until then time and again have I heard the offending party, whether victor or vanquished, express his regret to the challenger for the word or deed that had caused the trouble.

The Beauty of Poets.

[London Illustrated News.]

Many gifts have been bestowed upon our poets, among others physical beauty. No doubt there are some who have been ill-favored. Herrick, if his portrait speaks truly, was an ugly man: so was Jonson: so, as we all know, was Oliver Goldsmith, and Pope, though he had splendid eyes, was deformed. But Chaucer, Spencer and Shakespeare were handsome men. Milton, as a young man was extremely beautiful, and called the lady of his college, while in later life the want of sight left his handsome face uninjured. Dryden, too, had fine features, and was a notable man in appearance. Burns had eves which literally glowed, and Scott, who had seen all the great men of his time, said he had never seen such another eye in a human head.

Scott's own face was homely and lovable, but his eye, too, flashed with poetic fire at the notes of border song; and Southey had "the most spirited countenance that ever human form was graced with." Wordsworth's face did not, perhaps, indicate the fire and soul within; but Byron was splendidly handsome, Shelley was beautiful, so was Keats, who had "an expression as if he had been looking on some glorious sight." Of living poets it is scarcely fitting to speak, but as long as we still have with be because to be provided in the control of the second have with us the laureate, Mr. Brown ing, and Sir Henry Taylor, there is ample evidence that the royal line of English poets has not physically degener-

Soldiers' Sleeping Places. [Boston Bulletin "Recollections."]

Speaking of queer sleeping places—when we were quartered in Little Washington one company was quartered in a brick warehouse, and the whole upper part was divided into immensely big part was divided into immensely big pins containing corn all shelled. We found it quite a soft bed, only when once laid down in any position you made quite a mold of your body in the yielding mass of corn, and frequently on waking up in the merning I would find myself at an angle of forty-five degrees, my head down, nearly buried in the corn, and my left or right arm buried to the shoulder. It was not so comfortable after all.

I have tried a bed of mud, with my head against the trunk of a tree and the water trickling down my neck (it rained at that time) and two or three inches of water around me. I never recollect getting cold or suffering any serious discomfort resulting from exposure to dampness, or rain, or mud beds, or anything of that kind. A fellow can get used to almost anything. If our clothes were wet, build a fire, if we could; if not, stir about and dry them that way.

Long Distance Telephoning.

There is no practical limit to long distance telephoning. If it wasn't for induction, you could run a wire across the continent and talk through it. An invention that would do away with induction would be worth a good deal. The Bell Telephone company has a standing offer of \$1,000,000 for a perfect device of the same.

WEALTH OF MEXICAN FORESTS.

From Jalapa to Papantia's Ruins-Primeval Solitudes-Trees and Plants. [Cor. New York Sbn.]

As we penetrated deeper and deeper into the forest, the trail became almost indistinguishable, with giant trees in serried ranks rising close on ever side. The smallest of these leafy monarchs is at least 100 feet high and twenty-five feet in circumference; all are overgrown with orchids and tangled creepers, winding about the trunks and climbing from tree to tree, forming and endless succession of natural arbors. Even at midday the sun scarcely penetrates these howery fastnesses. Birds of brilliant plumage—among them parrots and huge macaws—fluttered unalarmed around ns, having never learned the fear manin these primeval solitudes.

The forest abounds in a species magnolia, here known as 'yoloxochiti, covered with lovely, sweet-smelling flowers, which are pinkish-white outside and yellow within. The petals before full blown assume the form of a cross, and afterward of a splendid star. The superstitious Indians never fail to cross themselves and mutter an ave at sight of one. They tell us that an infusion of the glittering leaves is a certain cure for vomito and diarrhea, and that its flowers will relieve palpitation of the heart. Among the myriad vines is one with scarlet leaves that is always found encircling the stems of the magnolia, the celebrated "water plant," called by the Mexicans the "Easter flower." In case of dire necessity its large red leaves would appease hunger, but its chief mission is that of nature's cup-bearer. Our pious guides and servants, believing it to be a boon direct from heaven, because of the cross and star upon the yoloxochitl, were perpetually imbibing the moisture between fervent orisons,

till the wonder grew how their distended stomachs could contain so much. The valuable Vanilla planifolia is indigenous to these, humid groves, and is carefully sought during certain seasons by the Indians of the tierra calcente. It is now produced only in the states of Vera Cruz and Oaxaca, the whole the continuous and produced the states of Vera Cruz and Oaxaca, the states of Vera Cruz and Oaxaca, though (according to Baron Humboldt) Europe received its entire supply of this commodity from Mexico prior to 1812.

The aro natic-fruited plant was assidu-ously cultivated by those ancient tribes, the Totonacs, who once inhabited all this coast region. Though it requires little care—nothing but shade and moisture being necessary to its existence—and is to-day more valuable than in the days when Montezuma and his Aztec nobles traded for it with the Totones; it is no longer grown to any Totonacs, it is no longer grown to any great extent. But it still springs up out of sight in the wilderness, and flourishes at its best in hidden jungles on the eastern declivity of the \cracketa cracketa the lunians who reside herenbouts in their primitive villages are restricted by firm laws from gathering the neglected plant at will. The vanilla harvest begins in March and ends in May, and during that season the alcalde of every hamlet apportions to each man his quota of labor and profit—carefully looking out for his own lion's share of the proceeds. The delicate pods-every one of which has a sure marketable value—are watched with great solicitude while being dried in the sun and made ready for ship ping, to protect them from mold, mice, and insects.

Here, too, the jalap abounds, a tiny plant, with slender branches and heartshaped leaves tinged with red, hiding here and there a blossom of violet blue It is called by the natives tolonpatl, and takes its European name from the old town, Jalapa, near which it was discov-ered in Cortez' time. This beautiful convolvulus springs up spontaneously on all the mountains of southern Mexico, having tap-roots of pear-like shape. Among the many trees which were hitherto unknown to us are wild guavas, a sort of myrtle, growing naturally in the higher altitudes of the tropics, and here attaining a height of several feet. Its fruit, which saldom ripeus before being eaten by birds and larvæ, is luseious and indescribably fragraut. Everybody is fond of green guavas, but few have ever had opportunity to test their taste with the fruit when fully ripened. They are in great favor among physicians, because of their astringent and anti-febrile properties, and guava jelly, as all the world knows, is one of the necessities of a traveler's outfit. When cultivated the shrub changes its appearance so greatly as to be scarcely recognizable; its branches grow longer, its leaves acquire a silvery lining, and its fruit becomes as large as lemons, much resembling the latter in shape and

In these forests nutmeg trees are found in great profusion, though be-coming extremely rare in other portions of Mexico. The natives use an enormous quantity of Malucca nutmeg, both as a remedy and a condiment—their chief medicines being these, camphor and asafetida, but with characteristic improvidence they neglect nature's benefits, and buy what they might easily raise. Here also are countless lime trees, the wood of which is valued by the Indians for making those various odds and ends which are sold by thousands all over Mexico. In Europe these trees have been so changed by horticulture that they scarcely appear to belong to the same species as their brethren in the virgin woods. Across the ocean the bark is used for well ropes, and the charcoal made from it is preferred to any other for the manufacture of gunpowder.

Then here is the "vegetable butter" tree, the Avacado pear, the fruit of which yields a soft rich pulp of buttery nature. It is pear-shaped, light green inside, and called by the Indians ahuacate. It can never be eaten as fruit, but is so inimitable for salads that New York epicures frequently pay as high as \$2 for a single pear, for sometimes the fruit comes to your market from Cuba. Strange to say, this vegetable butter tree belongs to the laurel family, but is the only member of it which produces anything edible. First, there is the bay tree (laurus nobilis), the leaves of which are indispensable in French ceokery, while its berrie yield an oil much prized in medicine; next comes laurus camphora, from the leaves of which camphor is extracted; then laurus cinnamomum, the bark of which is called cinnamon, and lastly sasafras, the aromatic wood said to be a powerful

> The Rumming of Bees. [Boston Budget.]

Last winter, when the mercury was 10 degrees below zero, a thermometer inserted into a cluster of bees showed a temperature of 65 degrees on the inside and 45 degrees Fahrenheit on the outside. If the heat generated by the bees could be maintained at that degree with an outside temperature of 10 degrees Fahrenheit, what must it be with the thermometer at 90 degrees? This is the way the bees manage to reduce it, or at least to secure cool, pure air: A number of bees, a thousand or air: A number of bees, a thousand or more, perhaps, act as ventilators or fanners. They stand head down at an angle of 45 degrees and keep their wings in motion. Throughout the hive, on all the combs, up and down the ventilators keep their fans going. On the alighting-board, with borders pointing away from the hive, they fan also. At the entrance of one hive, on a day in August. 280 bees by actual count, were August, 250 bees, by actual count, were fanning. The honey gatherers dropped down upon them, tumbled over them, but they kept to their work. Some writers have spoken of the "hum of the hive," as though the hum was the result of the work going on within. Twas the hum of the fanners. But in August, this year, there were nights when the hives were silent. Not

ing that the air was cold enough to dis-pense with the ventilators. The English Heir-Apparent.

an echo of a hum came from any show-

There seems to have been no special observance of the birthday of the prince of Wales, who was born Nov. 9, 1841. The heir-apparent to the British throne, who is now 44 years old, is described by a New York lady who recently met him at social entertainments as the most perfect-mannered gentleman in the world, with nothing condescending or patronicing apparent in his bearing, but with infinite act, grace, and dignity char-acterizing every salutation and move-

In person he inclines to be portly, with thick, short neck, round, full face, long boly and short legs. His eyes are creamy light, dull, and expressionless, like those of the queen and most of her family. The princess of Wales is de-scribed as being most exquisitely dressed, but not at all intellectual When she happens to say a good thing to any one, she keeps on repeating it to the same person until the repetition becomes ludicrous. Her children, unlike herself, are dowdily and unbecomingly dressed by some modiste, without the slightest regard to the harmonies of color. They are white haired and white-eyed, and would be called plain if not of princely blood.

Ti e Raca Hat Disappeared.

[Exchange.] The aboriginal inhabitants of Newfoundland were red Indians, or Bxothies. They were originally doubtless from Canada, coming by the straits of Belle Isle. They are supposed to have belonged to the Algonquin branch. There is now in the museum at St. Johns a human skull, the last token of a once powerful but now extinct tribe. It is said that Cabot on his second voyage brought away three of the aborig-ines, and they were kept by the king in the palace of Westminster.

She Was Not Frighter [Detroit Free Press.] A little 4-year-old girl was put to bed in the third story of her home, and left, as usual, in the dark. A terrific thunder storm came up, and her mother, thinking the child would be frightened at the lightning, went to her. On entering the child called out with delight: "Mamma! the wind blew the sun up just now; did you see it?" Fear had no entrance there.

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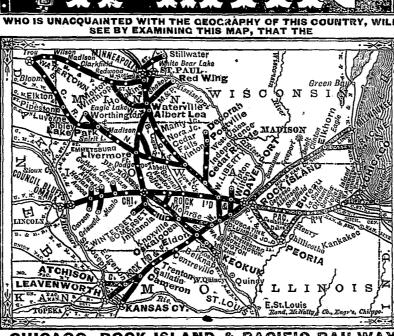
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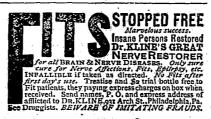
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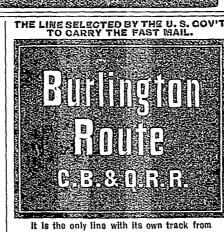


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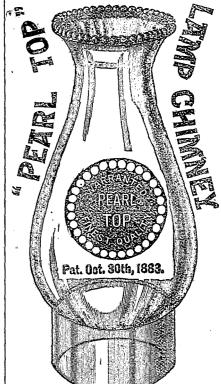
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PEOPLE WHO ARE LEFT-HANDED.

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tages Under Which They Labor. Philadelphia News.l

"The majority of people are right-handed because they are trained to be This was the reply of a doctor to a reporter who interrogated him on the

"Several theories have been advanced why people are generally right-handed," continued the physician, "but with what reason scientists have never taken the trouble to demonstrate. Perhaps that which would come nearest the truth, if any law of nature were found to govern dexterity, would be that the heart, being placed on the left side, the right side should be used with greater freedom. Another theory is that the brain is weightier on the right side than on the left. Whatever the cause may be, I find that those in youth who have trained themselves to using the left hand experience no difficulty or inconvenience. When a child is 'sinistrously' inclined and takes to using the left hand by such natural inclination, it is not because of any malformation or displacement of the heart

or brain. Consequently I am led to the belief that it is all a matter of train-

Several other physicians who were spoken to on the subject gave the same opinion. Inquiry of a number of left-handed people confirmed the statement that no inconvenience resulted from the use of the left hand, but that on the contrary they find it a positive advan-tage, inasmuch as that in numerous instances they become ambidexterous.

Persons who have much writing to do are liable to "pen paralysis," or "writers' cramp," lasting sometimes for weeks. Ordinarily, after several hours' constant writing, the arm is very much fatigued. Where a person can write with both hands he can rest one, and if by any accident he should be depriced of temporary or permanent use of the hand he is accustomed to use he will be able to "fall back" on the other. In telegraphy likewise, where stances they become ambidexterous.

other. In telegraphy likewise, where an operator has to transmit or receive long messages, he is subject to "telegra-phers' cramp. The work is laborious and fatiguing, but when the operator can use both hands he can not only save himself much fatigue, but facilitate Some tradesmen who are left-handed can command better wages than right-handed men of equal ability. This is shown in the case of a boiler-riveter who, if left-handed, can work inside a

Loiler without the awkwardness of a right-handed man, and do superior work. An engraver who uses both hands can always command a position. Smiths, carpenters, and other artisans also derive much advantage from the use of both hands, and none who happen to be left-handed experience any inconvenience. A person who operates a type-writer finds it necessary to use both hands, and has to train himself to it when learning the instrument. Many tools are made which are in-tended to be used with the right hand

only, and can only be operated with great awkwardness with the left hand. This is said to also contribute toward making a majority of people righthanded. Notwithstanding all that can be said in favor of the education of the left hand, there is a powerful prejudice against it, and left-handed people are spoken of contemptuously. In the western states a left-handed man is usually said to be "south-pawed." In England the niekname is "Kit," and in Ireland it is used as a dis-tinctive appellation for the identifica-

tion of particular persons, as "Shawn na Kithogue"—Left-handed John. A London Fire Alarm

iD troit Free Press. In London you find at rare intervals a red post of cast-iron that has a dial at the top covered with plain glass and behind the glass is a knob like a door bell. There is a printed warning there directed to you. It doesn't tell the reader to postpone literary pursuits and pull the knob as quick as he can, but it places before him a formidable array of penalties that will ensue if he happens to be wrong in his idea that a fire is breaking out. Newgate and the gallows yawn ahead of him.

If he is willing to take all chances he has to break the glass and then risk cutting an artery in getting at the knob. How a Londoner breaks that glass I have never been able to ascertain. There is nothing on the street to do it with. The propabilities are that he uses the universal umbrella if he ever could summon up courage to tamper with it. What really happens, however, is this: The man who discovers a fire doesn't turn on an alarm. He hunts up a policeman at great loss of valuable time. He places his reasons for imagin-ing that a fire is breaking out before that officer and the policeman goes to the nearest post, breaks the glass with his club and pulls the alarm.

> Message to Heaven [Montreal Gazette.]

A 5-year-old "pet of the house" some months ago lost his baby brother, and has missed him very much ever since; he was told when the child died it had some the way told when the child died it had sooth gone to heaven. Recently, when death was again hovering over the same household, the following conversation took place: Child-Grandma, you're going to heaven soon, ain't you's Grandma—Yes, dear, I hope so. Child —Well, then, grandma, when you get there you'll send home Georgie, won't

Emigrants' Choice. [Cor. Boston Globe.] New York, you know, is the end and and object of all Irish emigrants, German emigrants, French emigrants, English emigrants. The few thousands who come here with the distinct purpose of going west are as a drop in the bucket.

I don't know why, but poor people hate
the country. They would rather stuff
and suffer in indecent conglomeration, in a dirty dive in New York than spread themselves in comfort and live in plenty away from the hot bed of vice, this nursery of vexation and poverty.

Jean Paul Richter: Fate manages poets as men do singing birds. We shroud the cage of the singer and make it dark, until at length he has caught the tunes and can sing them rightly.

[Waverly (N. J.) Cor. New York Express.] Dickens parties, are the latest craze among the young ladies of this place. One was given not long ago for the benefit of a church here, and proved not only a financial and social success, but also showed in a striking manner how enjoyable an affair of the kind can be made with proper study and care. The largest hall of the city was hired for the occasion. Around the big room booths were constructed, each one representing a work of the author. No two were stell alike in their decorations or are at all alike in their decorations or arrangement, but each was furnished to give a prominent picture of the book represented as nearly as possible. The characters were mostly taken by the young people. They were dressed in appropriate costumes to suit the leading characters of the book taken.

Interest in the entertainment was largely augmented by the fact that each person had carefully studied his or her part that the character was acted out in close imitation of Dickens' most striking close imitation of Dickens' most striking and best known creations. First in order of the several booths was one representing the novel of "David Copperfield." At first glance there was recognized within it David, Dora, Agnes, Uriah Heep, Mrs. Heep, Betsy Trotwood, Barkis, and Peggoty. David and Dora could be seen sitting close together, apparently engaged in their love-talk or discussing the difficulties of household management. In Dora's arms was her management. In Dora's arms was her favorite little black-and tan, over which she could not make enough fuss, feeding it candy most of the time. All these characters were especially well taken, the costumes having evidently been selected at much pains. Uriah Heep's "make-up" was pronounced perfect. Little Emily was the only person notably missing from the famous group. It was said that the young lady taking the

part was indisposed.