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and belt, leaped bareback on a horse,

without a word to alarm the family,

and rode off unseen at a gallop. He

rode to the cornfield, where the native

laborers should have been working.

The green corn waved in the wind de-

serted. Not a man was in sight. He

dashed to the meadows down the val-

ley, where the herders should have

were absent. The great grassy fields

"They have deserted us as soon as

Zulus! Can it be a general rising among

At that thought he trembled, but he

had still vigor enough to ride to the top

of a kopje near by. From the peak he

had a view of much country, and saw

a cloud of dust far away, which he

the Zulus, we shall get them back with

but changed his mind as the boy shout-

with but a hasty glance through his

staggered and fell to the ground struck

in the chest. Piet felt a spasm of hor-

never till now a man, so that his heart

was deathlike. He rode slowly up to

Malula, and found the Kaffir writhing

in a death agony. Piet again dismount-

"I am one, but tonight come the Zulus,

live. For mine there shall be ten

speedy revenge, and the Boer boy, leav-

rode slowly and mournfully homeward.

"Piet," she said, "the Kaffirs have

"I know," said he, and looked into

her son, "he would not have left us."

"He was commandeered," said the

"But," said Piet, in much perturba-

tion, "my father did not think the

blacks would fly. He thought that they,

Basutos, would fight their old enemy,

the Zulus. If these come, what are we

to do? Shall we leave the farm and

The Boer mother pressed her lips

"That was not well said, my son,"

she answered. "Oom Putter said 'Stay."

As he obeyed his general and went, so

we shall obey him and stay and fight

It was a Roman speech. Even as the

words came from her mouth she

looked round and saw Piet, a well

grown boy of 15 years; Greta, a child

goodly garrison to defend the hearth!

But she saw that hearth, she saw the

dear walls her husband had built to

bring her home as a bride, she saw the

fields he had tilled and the barns he

had raised, and seeing them she would

have fought to the last scratch of her

nails, like a wildcat, rather than give

"Besides," said she hopefully, "what

could the wretch Malula know that we

don't? The Zulus cannot be near, and

if they are, the farmers have out their

scouts, and they say the English from

Natal are also ready. Before they reach

our farm the Boers must meet them,

and surely the savage shall be strick-

Nothing more was said about desert-

her work quietly, but Piet began to

roomy and the garrison a most pretty

of 11; little Pretorius, and the baby-a

Boer wife. "It was his duty. Country

Here his troubled mother met him.

the nearness of the Zulus.

first-always, my son.'

trek to Van Boeven's?"

with a frown of pride

till he comes.

them up.

his own tongue:

deaths!"

left us."

"Never mind," said Piet; "if we beat

guessed was made by the stolen cattle.

were silent as were those of corn.

the Kaffir tribes?'

interest.

been with the cattle. Here, in spite of

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Now the third and fatal conflict for the Persian And the Moslem's flery valor had the crowning

san, the last and boldest the invader to Captive, overborne by numbers, they were bring-

Then exclaimed that noble captive: "Lo, I perish Give me but one drink of water and let then ar In his hand he took the goblet, but awhile the

Seeming doubtfully the purpose of the foeman to

Well might then have paused the bravest, for around him angry foes, With a hedge of naked weapons, did that lonely "But what fear'st thou?" cried the caliph. "Is t, friend, a secret blow?

Fear it not! Our gallant Moslems no such treach-"Thou may'st quench thy thirst securely, for thou

Thou hast drunk that cup of water. This reprieve is thine—no more!" Quick the satrap dashed the goblet down to earth

with ready hand, And the liquid sank forever, lost amid the burn-"Thou hast said that mine my life is till the wa-

ter of that cup drained. Then bid thy servants that spilled water gather up!' For a moment stood the caliph as by doubtful

Then exclaimed: "Forever sacred must remain a monarch's word.

"Bring another cup and straightway to the noble Persian give.

Drink, I said before, and perish! Now I bid thee -Richard Chenevix Trench.

A WOMAN'S FIGHT WITH ZULUS. An Incident of Boer Life In the

By P. Y. BLACK.

The fires on the hills were the warning. The farmers were commandeered -that is, every ablebodied man between 16 and 60 in the district was called to take his horse, his "biltong" or dried beef ration, his rifle and ammunition, and proceed at once to the rendezvous, thence to proceed against the fierce and warlike Zulus, who had his first duty was, but first he called to clucking about him in their search for Second door above him Piet, his son, and solemnly spoke railroad. to him.

food, and he had an idea. All day he worked busily, leaving his mother to the children, and by "Son of mine," said the farmer solnightfall he had prepared a fort to dier, "you are not yet man tall enough withstand a siege. Two or three times to face the Zulu impis in open field, during the afternoon he had slipped but to your care I give mein vrouw and off to the top of the kopje, where he your little sister Greta and Pretorius, | could look afar, but each time he came | in the moonlight and surrounded the your brother. You must, if need be, back, having seen nothing but the roll- henhouse and came at it from three play a man's part, for, since the two | ing veldt. They had supper, and again | sides. Now, indeed, the besieged were gold prospectors left the farm at the now with a grim face. sign of war, there is none to take com-

mand of the Kaffir servants but you." west I heard the war song of the Zulus. and even her mother had taught her to Then Piet said without bravado: It came faintly with the wind. In the use it. She took position, a white faced "You may trust me, father, for, direction also of Van Boeven's farm heroine, at one side, and her mother though I be not a man, still I am a So the farmer rode away, and Piet, his barns."

miles round, missed it. He was star-In that land of few dwellers space is tled, for it is almost criminal to meddle not of much consideration. The farm with another man's glory—his rifle—and buildings were quite widely scattered, ne sought Pretorius to see if that ambiand Farmer Putter had built his cowtious youth had taken it down. Pretobyres and pigpens and so on a proper rius had it not, and Piet ran out to call distance away from his house walls. Malula, a native servant, with sudden All the afternoon Piet had been marching, laden with packages and bundles, Malula did not come at the call, and between the house and the outbuild-Piet, with a pale face, thought for a moment, and then, taking his old gun | ings. Now, when it was dark, he put

> windows and doors were stoutly bar-"Where are we going to sleep?" the children asked, accustomed to rise and lie down with the sun, and Piet answered cheerfully, "In the chicken

out all the lights of the house, and the

The children, at first astonished and incredulous, were delighted when they himself, tears sprang to his eyes, for discovered that their brother meant what he said, for the sight of the the cattle were gone, and the herders chickens feeding had given the boy the necessary idea. If the house were too big, the coop could not be accused of that fault. About the rocky kopie my father's back was turned," cried stones were plentiful and more conven-Piet in dismay. "And they were not ient than wood. Therefore, Piet had aided his father in building a solid affair to shelter the many fowls. It was stone and high and roomy. Piet, during the afternoon, had made on each side, by careful removal of stones, loopholes and carried to the henhouse the more precious articles in the house, with all the ammunition and guns. Now the chickens, squawking, were ruthlessly turned out, and the little family went in, the youngsters gig-Then he dug his heels into his horse's The door, which Piet had ribs and dashed down the hillside. He strengthened, was closed, and the garri-

had seen, half a mile away, a black figson prepared. Vrouw Putter was not ure moving swiftly across the veldt, without experience in war's alarms. and the sun glanced from something she looked round with a brave smile. borne on its shoulder—a gun, Malula. "Well, done, Piet," she said, and Before the traitor servant was aware calmly began to examine the guns, of pursuit, Piet was within 400 yards while at the same time quieting the of him. Then the Kaffir heard the children, who, now in the dark and dishorse's hoofs and turned. For a moturbed by such preparations, began to ment the black seemed inclined to run, be afraid. Again Piet slipped away to the kopje, and when he came back he ed to him angrily. Malula deliberately said, "Flames are rising from the Van raised the stolen rifle to his shoulder. Boevens', and the war song is coming Piet threw himself from the horse as

bullet whistled over the vacant saddle. The boy, already a hunter, replied. "Loud!" the vrouw asked briefly. "Not very," her son answered, piling rocks against the door. sights, and Malula uttered a howl and "A detached party," said his mother

quietly. "If the Lord wills it, we will protect our own." ror. Deer a-plenty had he shot, but And she made them all kneel down and pray and then sing a psalm. for a flash stood still, and his own face

\* \* \* \* \* \* \* the dry season and chilly. White clouds ed, and attempted to offer aid, but the savage repulsed him. With a look of leaving the veldt in darkness, then hate he glared at the boy, and cried in passing on and flooding the land with silvery beams. For a long time all was very still. At last Piet, peering out of his loophole to the west, saw a shadow and no white thing on the farm shall among the shadows, and this shadow moved and glided, and came swiftly up the slope on which the chicken coop So he died, glorying in the hope of a stood between the house and the trees by the river. It was followed by aning him, recovered his new rifle and other, and another, and another, and another, coming on like wild ducks in a V or wedge, and from the heart of the shadows came a low hum-the song

of the impis. her brave face, and told her what had "How many?" the mother asked, as the moon shone out, and Piet told her happened and what Malula had said of there were about 20, with shields and "If my father had known it," said assagais, for in those days firearms were not common among the Kaffir

tribes as now. "A raiding party," said Vrouw Putter, and took command. Piet was eager to fire at once, but she forbade. The children were very quiet, though trembling. The savages came on and halted, and came on again, now silent and apparently puzzled at there being no sign of life about the house. As the coop stood it could not be readily discerned in the shadow of the slope. Again the Zulus advanced.

"Mother," said Piet, "if they get close to the house they will fire it." She nodded, but waited until the savages were only 50 yards away then-"Fire!" she whispered, and from her own loophole and from Piet's at the same instant streamed a flame, and the Zulus gave one great cry of rage and astonishment, as two of their number threw their arms high and fell, their shields clattering beside them. At once little Greta and Pretorius did their part, and with incredible bravery in such infants forbore even to tremble, but handed up fresh guns, while the two defenders passed the empty ones down to be loaded by these small but trained fingers. The Zulus, however, did not fall back. Furious at being taken by surprise they dashed at the little fort, and a shower of spears came clashing against the stone walls. Crack! again went the guns, and again a howl of pain resounded through the night. The Zulus were almost in touch of the fort, and were pressing onward, one on top of the other, with their ferocious yells,

when a tall man among them with an iron ring on his head, sign of an induna ing the homestead. Vrouw Putter went | chief, shouted a command and at once his warriors fell back. prepare. Now, the farmhouse was "Mother," cried Piet, as they seized fresh rifles, "don't let them think that one, and, puzzle over the matter as he we are so few. Greta and Pretorius, might, the boy could not see how its load as fast as you can. Mother, let us

rough stone walls could be protected at | fire continuously and, thinking we are once on all sides if the attacking force numerous, they will retire." was to be a large one. His mother Vrouw Putter nodded consent, and was about as good a shot as he, and at once these two valiant defenders of even Greta could discharge a gun at a | hearth and home began from the half pinch, but two or three guns could not | dozen firearms at their disposal to pour protect so rambling a building. Piet | bullets into the retreating crowd of came to that conclusion with a feeling | naked blacks. They could not tell what akin for a moment to despair, until, at actual effect their missiles had, save again raided the Transvaal. Farmer last, as he stood in the broad yard look- for an occasional cry from the war-Putter saddled up and hurried off, as | ing at the house, the chickens came | riors, but they hoped that so quick and withering a fire would deceive the party. In this manner, however, they used up a good deal of ammunition from the two boxes of cartridges Piet had carried to the chicken coop.

With hardly a pause, the induna gave

his savages their instructions, and sud-

denly they ran apart from one another Enquirer. Piet slipped away and came back, but | hard put to it, but never quailed. Greta took the lightest rifle and, little girl "Mother," he whispered, "from the though she was, her father and brother the skies are red and if I go at dark I and Piet in their old places. Down tions," writes Franklin Fyles in The fear I shall see the flames rising from came the Zulus, casting spears before Ladies' Home Journal, "or if the manthem, and sheltered by their long, ager for any other reason does not dethus promoted to command, withdrew The mother gathered her baby tight tough bullhide shields. Crack! crack! sire to put it on the stage, the money into the sitting room, and almost at in her arms for a moment, and then crack! swiftly the rifles rang out, and paid is forfeited after a certain lapse Farms bought, sold and exchanged. Money once his trouble began. His first care quietly asked her eldest:

o loan on first mortgage.

was to clean and load all firearms.

of time, and the ownership reverts to the author.

umphant, as a yell came from the induna himself

"I aimed for the chief and got him!" cried the boy, and indeed the induna seemed badly hurt, for he limped back, supported, and again called off his \$10,000." soldiers. Piet ran to his mother and helped her bandage the wounded arm. "It is nothing," she said bravely, and added more softly, "nor my life, either, if children and home are saved." Suddenly little Pretorius cried out in

"Piet," he said, "there are no more cartridges!"

It was true. One box was empty, and the other covered box did not hold ammunition. Piet looked and despaired Two gold prospectors had been staying at the farm who used dynamite in their work. They had gone off at sign of trouble, but had left some tools and things behind. In this box which Piet had carried off for ammunition were instead some sticks of dynamite. "I - have - betrayed - my father's

trust!" cried Piet. "My mistake has been our ruin!' And he flung himself in despair against the wall. But his mother, finding nothing but empty guns, kneeled quietly down and prayed, her babies about her. She had done all she could.

The rest lay with a higher power. For a moment Piet was crazy, and then recovered himself. He looked through his loophole. The Zulus were in a group quite a hundred yards away, almost indistinguishable in the night. Even as Piet looked they moved and he knew they were about to attack again. With a shout of rage the furious boy suddenly stooped to the dangerous box he had carried from the house, and then threw down the rocks from the door and burst out. In his hands he carried two sticks of dynamite, carried such deadly things in his hands that a stumble meant destruction. Yet he dashed ahead through the night yelling. The Zulus turned on him in amaze, thinking him mad, and greeted him with a shower of spears. Unstricken, Piet ran to within 50 yards of them, and then, one after the other, he threw at them with all his might the dynamite. There was a fearful concussion, which dashed the boy to the earth, a roar as of artillery, a medley of fearful shrieks from the unhappy Zulus, and all was still. Vrouw Putter and the children came out trembling, and found Piet insensible, but of the Zulu raiders no trace, save scattered limbs, where great hole. The dynamite must have

ploded with fearful effects. That happened long ago. Piet is today a man and owns the farm. His father is dead, but the brave old mother lives on with Piet and his wife. Many changes have taken place on the lonely farm on the yeldt, but one building re mains unchanged, and reverently pre served. It is the chicken coop, which is known by the children for miles and life hand in hand?" miles as "Oom Piet's Fort."-New York Evening Sun.

An Invalid's Luck In the Woods. "Speaking of deer shooting," said the local enthusiast, "reminds me of the story of the man up Bethel way. He had a pulmonary trouble that had reduced him somewhat, and he was doubtful if his strength would permit him to make the journey. His physician told him to go ahead, but not to tramp much. In camp, where he arrived much exhausted, his friends told him to make himself comfortable while they went out and got him some veni-

"He sat about camp alone until about 10 o'clock and then went in and took his rifle out into the open. Here he sat down on a log and thought of his unhappy fate. The sun was warm and bright, and he moved out into it, rest ing his rifle against the stump of a pine. He then lit his pipe and ruminated. A rustle in the brush aroused him. Looking up, he saw a buck, with branching horns, about 40 yards away. He reached over without moving from his seat, took the rifle, rested it on a prong of the stump, drew a bead on the deer and fired, and the buck fell dead. "When the hunters who went ou after venison for the invalid came home, he said, 'What luck?' 'Oh, we'll have deer meat for you before we go home. Didn't get any today, but we saw signs.' 'How's this for a sign?' said the invalid, and he led them up to a 600 pound buck, and they broke the profound silence to remark, 'Well, I'll

be darned."-Lewiston Journal. General Hickenlooper and his family make the evening dinner a source of mental as well as of physical nutri tion, in which exercise the general has usually the best of it by presenting puzzling and difficult problems. The other evening the youngsters turned the tables upon him by presenting the following legal proposition:

A French beggar died and left one child, a son, and a considerable estate. The son, in order to inherit the estate, was required to prove a kinship to the deceased. What kinship did he prove? The general promptly replied the kinship of father and son.

The children said the answer was wrong; the parent was a woman. This tickled the general, and he decided to pass it along, so the next day, while taking luncheon with a friend, he propounded the following:

A French beggar woman died and left a son and an estate, and the son in order to inherit the property was required to prove kinship to the deceased. What was the kinship between them? The friend promptly replied, "Mother and son.

"Well," said the general, "you guess better than I did, for I answered father instead of mother."—Cincinnati

Dramatists of established reputation write plays only upon order. Their ordinary prepayments are \$500 upon the delivery of a scenario and \$500 more upon the completion of a play. "If the finished work does not realize expecta-

"Are the guns cleaned and loaded?"
These hung on the walls, and some were old fashioned and without amprove, we must leave the house. It is too big and rambling for us two to protect."

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The dear and load an free first of fiftle Pretorius were busy on the was in a stenographer for \$3 a week," replies the manager decides to produce the piece the author receives a way of making little pigs out of clay is too big and rambling for us two to protect."

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tne amount of money taken in. More than one native drama has earned \$100,000 for its author. A dozen have yielded \$50,000 each, three times as many \$25,000 and a goodly number

THE WAY TO PROPOSE.

What the Maiden and the Matron Had to Say About It. "I never could accept a proposal from a man unless the conditions were just right," said the romantic maiden thoughtfully.

"Of course not," replied the matter of fact matron. "He must be the right man in the first place, and he must propose in the second. Those are the conditions that must be always just right before any sensible girl will think of marriage.

"Oh, I don't mean that," returned the maiden. "He must know how to propose. Do you know, I believe if I were really in love with a man and he didn't propose properly I should reject him." "When it comes to proposals of marriage," replied the matron, with de

cision, "any way is the right way." "Oh, no, it isn't," asserted the maid en. "The surroundings must be appro priate. Everything must be in harmony. If my Prince Charming proposes to me in the house, he must be in a dress suit, and he must be earnest but dignified. There must be a certain ease and elegance of manner, and his words must conform to his actions. If he proposes to me in the woods or on the lawn, he may be in negligee attire, outing costume or something like that, and he may then be more impassioned and vehement in his declarations. But I never could accept a man in negligee costume who proposed in the house.

"Don't you be too sure about it," returned the matron. "Oh, but I am," said the maiden. "I have figured it all out very carefully. The scene must make a perfect picture. It would just kill the romance if it didn't, and I couldn't possibly accept him. And his words and tone! Both must breathe love and yet be in conformity with all the surroundings."

"I've known lots of girls who thought that," said the matron reflectively. "And it didn't happen that way?"

"N-o; hardly." "But in your case?"

The matron sighed. "I had the same idea," she said at birds twittering, the sun shining It was a fitfully moonlight night in the earth was thrown about, leaving a brightly and all the world joyous as parture. He made a second story job pursued the moon after hiding it and struck fairly in their midst and had ex- throbbing with love into my ear. Or in without a bit of trouble. It was else I saw him sinking on one knee in front of the divan upon which I was sitting and looking me straight in the eyes with a long, lingering look of love, while he said: 'Oh, adorable one, be mine! Say that this is not to be a world of Stygian darkness for me, but that the sunlight of true love shall shine ever brightly as we go through

"Oh, beautiful! Lovely!" cried the maiden. "That's just the way I've pictured it. And when your Prince Charming did come what did he say?"

The matron sighed again. "He was taking me home under an umbrella in a rainstorm," she explained. "I was wet, and he was wet. My hair was stringy, and there was mud on his trousers, and we were altogether two of the most unprepossessing looking mortals you ever saw. When he was about to leave me at the door, he suddenly exclaimed, 'Say, I'd like to carry that umbrella over you all the

"'What?' I said in some surprise "'Oh, to put it in plain words,' he said. 'let's get married. How about

"How dreadful!" exclaimed the maiden.

"Wasn't it?" "Such an inappropriate place and time!'

"Yes. indeed." "And such prosaic words!" "Most prosaic." "Oh, I couldn't accept a man under those circumstances.

"If he was the right man, you would,

nevertheless. "Oh, I couldn't do it possibly," protested the maiden. "I'd feel that I'd lost half my life. Why, in a case like that he couldn't even fold you in his arms and all that when you said d"-"Wait a minute," interrupted the matron. "Not so fast. You'll know a lot more about men than you do now when you accept one, no matter how, when or where it may be. There are some features of the occasion they never overlook, but don't you build your hopes too high on everything else be-

ing in harmony."-New York Sun. A Lively Streak of Mouse. Several persons standing in front of show window on Fourth street watching a procession of Japanese mice in a cage as they ran in at one door of their sleeping apartment and out at another with lightning rapidity became involved in a dispute as to how many of the animals there were. One said there were only two mice, while

others thought there were at least They were very active, curious little animals and, instead of being of the proper mouse color, were black and white, marked in large blotches like Holstein cattle or old fashioned swine. The holes into and out of which they ran were close together, and they chased around so swiftly that it was impossible to count them, for sometimes there was a mouse at each hole and sometimes one outside and the others | ed in to work. inside, and sometimes it appeared as if

there were just one long mouse in a

circle revolving on a pivot, with noses and tails at intervals. The mad race was kept up for some time, and finally all the mice disappeared as if by magic. One of the spectators went into the store and asked how many mice there were in the cage, all died down, he dropped his pick and along the curled rims and downy lobes stating that he and his companions had stole silently away. There was rum in is a creature of sympathetic and renot been able to decide, as they moved too quickly to be counted. A clerk said | sleuth pals got him, and he told chestily there was only one mouse, and it was of the neat way he had given the cops impossible to count it except when it the slip. So many of the Chicago was asleep and, seeing a look of in- crooks are adopting similar tactics credulity on the countenance of the caller, raised the top of the cage and showed one little black and white mouse nestling on a piece of cotton in | Star.

a corner.-Portland Oregonian.

which some high personage went on board with a special silver "standing cup" or "flaggon" of wine, out of which he drank, naming the ship, and poured a libation on the quarter deck. The cup was then generally given to the dockyard master shipwright as a me-

When did the present usage of naming and baptizing a ship before she is sent afloat come in? I trace the last explicit mention of the old method to 1664, when the Royal Katherine was launched (see Pepys). The first mention of smashing a bottle of wine on the bows of a British man-of-war that I have found is in a contemporary newspaper cutting of May, 1780, describing the christening of H. M. S. Magnanime at Deptford, but nothing is hinted that it was then a new cus-

tom.-Notes and Queries. THE HEADY BURGLAR

METHODS HE USES TO PUT THE PO-LICE ON THE WRONG SCENT.

wo Cases Where Coolness and Presence of Mind Were More Effective Than Fleetness of Foot In Evading the Officers of the Law.

"The crooks of Chicago don't believe in the running game in attempting to escape when caught at work," said a Chicago detective who was in Washington last week, "and I'm rather inclined to believe that they've got the sensible end of it. A man who starts to run away from one or more policenen, no matter whether he is swifter of foot than a deer, is bound to be collared nine times out of ten, whether he makes his dash at midday or in the middle of the night. He has to take the big chance of being headed off by other cops, and he has to take chances on the blind alleys that he's liable to run into. The crook, caught red hand ed, who keeps longest out of the clutches of the police, is the man who uses his head and who doesn't run. To

illustrate: "A few months ago a well known Chicago housebreaker, who has put in numerous hefty stretches at Joliet, decided to crack a crib on Prairie avenue, one of the swagger houses of the town. He found that the whole family occupying the house were going to the theater on a certain night, and he last. "I pictured some quiet nook, the figured on all of the servants remaining below stairs after the family's dehe poured well rounded sentences of it, climbing up a porch, and he got really something easy, and the fellow simply got pockets full of jewelry. The thing was passing off beautifully when a maidservant walked in on him while he was ransacking the dressers in one of the ladies' boudoirs. She let out a scream and went a-kiting down the steps to where the mensery ants were. The crook sloped for the front door on the second floor and slipped down the same porch stanchion that he had used in climbing up. He was pretty quick, and he was a couple of doors away, on the sidewalk, before

a lot of servants burst out of the house and began to yell for the police. Now, if that crook had started to run there is no manner of doubt that he would have been headed off, and he would have stood more than an even chance of being shot into the bargainif not by a cop, then by some citizen or other, for since the reign of footpad terror in Chicago a few years ago a majority of the citizens who stay out late o' nights pack guns around with them. Well, this thief didn't do any running stunt at all. There was an undertaker's wagon standing in front of a house about five doors away from the one he had robbed. No one was in the wagon. The crook saw his chance. He stepped aboard the wagon in leisurely manner, gave a cluck to the horse and started to drive off at a lazy trot just as a couple of officers charged

around the corner. He pulled the wagon up to talk to the cops. "'I guess somebody's been killed down in that house, the way they're

yellin,' he said to the cops. "'Have you seen any one running by here?' the policeman asked him. "'Well, just as I hopped aboard the wagon there was a duck chased out of that house and screwed down the other way,' replied the thief, and the police men took up their lope and started for the robbed house. The thief drove down Prairie avenue with all the leisure in life. He abandoned the wagon after going a mile, and took a down town car. I nailed him a couple of months later when he was drunk, or suspicion of having a hand in a certain job, and he was boastful enough to own up to it and to tell me how he'd got away on the occasion I've told you

about. "Still more recently there was an other well known Chicago second story man caught in the act of going through a house on one of the prominent boule vards. The butler came in on him, and he punched the butler a swift one and backheeled him. Then he walked swiftly out of the house and down the steps, a number of the other servants meantime appearing at the basement door and howling. Down in the next block a big gang of all night men were engaged in putting in new sewer pipes The crook didn't take up any sprint but he just made for the scene of the sewer pipe operations at a good walking clip. He was got up pretty roughly, and he jumped into the first ditch he came to, after having caught up a pick that was lying on the brink, and start-

"There was a Swede in the pit there with him, but the Swede had the proper Scandinavian stolidity, and he didn't pay any attention to his new digging companion. The crook plied his pick there for an hour, while cops plowed around all over the street looking for the robber. When the excitement had this one's head, too, when one of my nowadays that it is rare for a Chicago policeman to get a run for his money, in the half literal sense."-Washington

A Pig For an Emblem. The emblem of the county of Sussex,

of matches. Across his forehead is written the Sussex motto, "He won't be druv." So, you may have inferred. a pig in the county is not looked upon as a particularly desirable citizen.

The Passing of the "Hayseed." Who does not know him, with his goatlike beard, his wispy hair, his "galluses" of homely cut, his trousers evolved by the seeming aid of a buzzsaw, his voice of an impossible nasality, his speech uncouth, his gestures ungainly, his greenness amazing? Who has not seen him on the stage of the vaudeville farce or outlined by the

overworked caricaturist? No one. We are familiar with him from absurd hat to ludicrous footwear, and have been for years. Who sees him on the streets of northwestern cities to-

day? No one. In a modified form he exists in that part of the nation which Bostonese are wont to call "way down east." He also exists to some extent in the New England that is nearer Boston than Maine, while from New York and New Jersey he is not altogether absent. West of a line drawn north and south through Chicago he is rare—at least as

an indigenous variety. The passing of the "hayseed" is desirable. As the farmer becomes more like him of the city he and his children will care less for the so called delights of metropolitan life, will recognize his innate and indestructible independence and will be better satisfied with his lot.

-Minneapolis Times. What President Was This? One day a president of the United States sent for me. He had been elected to that high office, but had not yet been installed.

"I hear," he said, "that you have just come back from Washington."

"Did you go to the White House? You did? Well, please sit down and tell me all about it. What sort of a house is it? How is it managed? How many rooms are in it? Whereabouts does the president do his work? And how did you get in there-how do visitors manage to see the house while a president and his family are living in

"Why," I exclaimed, "you have often been to Washington! Have you never

visited the White House?" "No," said he, "I have only seen the outside of it. I have never even seen a president or, in fact, any great man I am so peculiarly constituted that if I knew the greatest man in the world could be seen by walking to the corner would not walk there. But now that I am about to make the White House my home, I should very much like to hear all that you can tell me about it."-Julian Ralph in Saturday

Evening Post. A Reflection on the Judge. In an address before the Virginia State Bar association James P. Harrison of the Danville bar told this story of an eminent judge in Virginia, who sat on the bench with his feet up before him, showing his soles to counsel and audience: "The defense had offered a little negro as a witness for their client, and the commonwealth's attorney challenged the witness as too young to testify. When the pickaninny had been sworn on the Holy Evangelists, he was asked by the common wealth's attorney what he had done.

"'And what will happen to you now if you tell a lie?' the lawyer roared. "'My mammy, she'll whip me.'

"'Is that all?' insinuated the defendant's attorney. "'No. sah. De debble, he'll get me.' "And then the judge took his feet down, and leaning over the bench with menacing finger said, 'Yes, and I'll get you, too, sir!'

"When quick as a flash came the boy's ready reply, 'Boss, dat's jess what I done said.' "-New York Sun.

What Women Don't Know. "One of the mistakes of women, said a woman's lecturer the other day, "is in loving too much. They can never make a mistake in loving, but they ought to be careful in picking out the man. They are rather apt to do it on the grab bag principle. Another of the mistakes of woman is not knowing how to rest, and still another is not knowing how to eat. What women don't know about both has built 10,000 hospitals. Consider the way of man and be wise. Women worry too much. They are misers to jollity, and they nearly always die leaving a large ac-

count in the Bank of Merriment." A Fire In Japan. A fire in Japan is exciting. The Japanese seem to lose their heads completely in the presence of the fire demon. The people move from the houses where the fire breaks out into the next, then to another, and so on, until the fire is over, the united families moving from house to house with great nonchalance. A man dancing on his roof with a paper fire god is supposed to avert the danger, and no man is more surprised than he when, in spite of the fire god, the house ignites, and in a moment roof and man fall together. In three days the houses are rebuilt

and all traces of fire removed. A Delusion and a Snare. "Friends? I should say so. Never suspected that I had so many. Have to let them in one door and out the other. Best lot of fellows you ever saw. Give 'em a big stag party to-

night." Then the misguided youth sat down and drew a check against the generous legacy he had received within the month and resented an insinuation that his finish was visible.-Detroit

Free Press. A woman with pale ears can be safe-Iv set down as one whose heart is hard to reach, while she whose ears are pink

sponsive temperament. Up to Date Bobby. Robert has positively declined to learn to spell. Womanly intuition admonishes Robert's mamma that Robert will doubtless say something very bright if pressed, and she accordingly

argues with the boy. "All great men learned to spell when they were little boys," she says. "Well, that was before you could hire Down to Charles II's time it was cus- | England, is a pig—a pig with amazing | a stenographer for \$3 a week," replies

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Editor and Proprietor.

Thursday, Nov. 30, 1899

THE British troops recently suffered heavy losses in an engagement with the Boers. England will pay dearly for victories achieved in the Transvaal. The Boers will fight to the bitter end against what they believe to be a cruel and unjust invasion of their rights.

Some time in the future when college students who kill each other by hazing or other methods are hung like all murderers should be, boys at school may not be tortured to death, as was Martin V. Bergen, aged 12, in the fashionable Preparatory School, at Princeton,

MR. SIBLEY, the uncompromising advocate of free silver a year ago, who defeated Charles W. Stone for Congress, has changed his views in relation to Bryanism, and now tration. declares that "free silver is no President McKinley's policy in prosecuting the war in the Philippine Islands.

the Dewey house fund and then postpone indefinitely the appointeagerly grasped the first opportu- ment of a civil governor for Cuba, nity to prejudge and condemn the owing to representations which hero of Manila, do not represent were made to him of the inadthe common sense of the American visability of such an appointment dogs have been presented to the people. They belong to the silly, sensational element of Society that is usually conspicuous in its slabberings over heroes false and true. The article on this page from the Philadelphia Bulletin sizes up the by the lamented death of Mr. Hobart. paid out \$200 balance from last hero gift-enterprises quite accur- In case of the removal, death, or inately and tersely.

If the vast sums of money exsatiate ambitious appetites could be devoted to the development of the arts of peace, to the intellectual and moral improvement of the human race along lines of natural progress, the ultimate destiny of mankind would not be so densely problematical as it is in the present

But, though "war is hell," men want war : some of them want hell here and hereafter for their enemies.

ELLERY P. INGHAM, former United States District Attorney, and Harvey K. Newitt, former Assistant United States District Attorney, convicted of conspiracy to bribe United States Secret Service Agent William J. McManus in the interest of the men concerned in the Kendig-Jacobs counterfeiting conspiracy, were on Friday morning sentenced to pay a fine of \$1 each and the costs of their prosecution and to undergo imprisonment for two and one-half years in the Eastern Penitentiary. The sentence is generally accepted as being a righteous one.

JAMES MCMANES, the veteran political leader and well-known financier of Philadelphia, died Thursday. When the People's Bank, of which the deceased was President, closed its doors and Cashier Hopkins took his own life, there was a shortage of about \$400,000. This sum Mr. Mc-Manes promptly made good out of his private fortune, so that every creditor of the bank was paid dollar for dollar. Such a shining example of integrity and honor is a lasting monument to the memory of the gifted individual who rose from bobbin boy to millionaire.

Dr. SWALLOW, the preacher politician of Harrisburg, recently issued a circular letter to the Bishops of the Methodist Episcopal church, in which he bitterly arraigns President McKinley upon the charge of having served and drunk wine in the White House. Notice has been taken of this particular outbreak of fanaticism, and it is vigorously contended by those who ought to know that neither the President nor Mrs. McKinley indulge in wine of any brand whatever.

There may be as much intemperance in babbling and in attending to other people's business as there is in wine drinking.

Public funeral services over the body of the late Vice President, Garret A. Hobart, were held at Paterson, N. J., last Saturday. President McKinley and the members of his Cabinet, the Judges of the United States Supreme Court, nouncement of her intention to was. In other words, the sunand other distinguished officials at make young George Dewey the sole that is, a sundial-is only correct Washington, attended the funeral heir to her large fortune shows to on a few days in each year, and Mr. Hobart was the sixth Vice President of the United States to die in office. The others were son iu all this for those who are in- as far as a whole quarter hour fast George Clinton, of New York, in clined to go off half-cocked. Mr. or slow. These variations of the 1812; Elbridge Gerry, of Massa- John R. McLean, Admiral Dewey's sun from uniform time caused no chusetts, in 1814: King, of Alabama, in 1853; Henry Wilson, of Massachusetts, in 1875. diana, in 1885.

## WASHINGTON LETTER.

From our Regular Correspondent. session of Congress, all speak of his recess. He did not say how much the large disk of the sun can not be located so perfectly as can the large disk of the

器 THE INDEPENDENT 総 friend and associate, Vice President Hobart. He has done little except to receive callers since the news was received, because when alone his grief has unfitted him for work; and he is also much worried about Mrs. Mc Kinley, who has not recovered entirely from the shock

given her by the news. Secretary Long has decided to recommend legislation at this session of Congress providing for eighteen new warships, six cruisers, three armored and three protected, and twelve light draft gunboats. The waters. No battleships or torpedo boats will be asked for, because a number of both classes of boats are now under construction.

Senator Deboe, of Kentuckey, who was in Washington this week, greatly interested the politicians by positively asserting that the legislature just elected would be anti-Goebel and anti-Blackburn. If and he says he has it means the elec-Senator Lindsey's re-election. standard policies of the adminis-

week, on affairs in Cuba, and afterwards expressed themselves as being pleased with the President's of this. ideas. Before the President saw THOSE who contributed toward the delegation he had decided to

President until after next inauguration day. The law provides no will be paid this year. In addition method of filling the vacancy left to this \$684 the Commissioners ability of the President, there being no Vice President, the following members of the Cabinet, in the pended by the governmental powers order named, are eligible to the of earth in maintaining militarism to Presidency until a new one has been elected: The Secretary of State, the Secretary of the Treasury, the Secretary of War, the Attorney General, the Postmaster General, the Secretary of the Navy, and the Secretary of the Interior. This law of succession was agitated after the its favor because only the life of to buy a home for Schley lapses enone man-President Arthur-stood between the U.S. government and what might have been anarchy, but it was not enacted until after the death of Vice President Hendricks. Nov. 25, 1889, left the country in the same sort of predicament. It was because of the absence of any law providing for a successor that President Cleveland did not go to Indiana to attend the fuderal of Vice President Hendricks; although the railroad authorites promised every possible precaution to prevent accidents it was decided not to take any chances, and only the Cabinet

attend the funeral of Vice Presi-

That public favor is fickle and was shown by the shower of adverse criticism that was this week poured upon the head of Admiral Dewey, who was so recently a public idol. And it has already been Admiral's intention. The whole tempest in a teapot was caused by was supposed that he intended the drawing the pay of the Government house as a gift to his wife, whereas it is now known that it was merely the first step towards placing the title of the house in the name of George Goodwin Dewey, the Admiral's only child, in a way that would make it legally unassailable. The last step was taken when Mrs. Dewey placed a deed on record making young Dewey the owner of the house and its contents. Had the bitter criticisms been withheld a few days they would never have been made, and a brave man would keep with the sun around the year have escaped the mortification of would have to be nearly as bad as feeling that be no longer had the Sam Weller's. The farmer may esteem of his fellow countrymen\_ safely decide when to go in to dina mortification he will remember to ner by the sun, but if the mariner his dying hour-and Mrs. Dewey was as confident that the sun H. B. LONG & SON, would have escaped the humiliation | marked always the correct time as of being charged with trying to de- the farmer is he would be sure to

Washington, D. C., Nov. 24, '99. parted from his rule of making no curately known, correct time might The President's callers, who are growing numerous owing to the nearness of the opening of the nearness of Congress all speak of his recess. He did not say how much

PENNSYLVANIA ITEMS.

about 2,500 population which is almost wholly upon the stars for without a high school, and a move- obtaining accurate time. It is the

a bee tree on Shintown run, in Clin- been established with the greatest ton county, which was the most accuracy by the most careful obprolific ever found in that section, servations at a number of the From a 10 foot cavity the men se-cured 122 pounds of first class If a star's exact position is known,

The parents of Altoona school children will thank the School Board of Altoona for its action last the place. The data regarding these week in refusing to allow traveling stars are all published in the nautilatter will be for use in Philippine artists take photographs of the cal almanacs, which are got out by children at their school houses. The pictures once taken it was next to mpossible for parents to decline to purchase copies of them for the children, who, naturally, wanted one to preserve. When there was a demand on the family purse once a year for a high-priced and inferior photograph the parents objected, and they are warmly supporting the School Board for its action.

The girls of the Lehighton shirt Senator Deboe has that straight, factory are as big-hearted as they are industrious, and a few days ago tion of an administration Senator demonstrated it by a graceful act of to succeed Senator Lindsey perhaps | charity. They contributed from their wages sufficient money for the Senator Lindsey is a democrat, but purchase of a wagonload of groceries he supports the expansion and gold and other provisions for an aged widow, who was without the necessaries of life and the money to buy them. With kindly spirit they A delegation of prominent Cubans | made no elaborate exhibition of longer an issue." He also endorses had a talk with the President, this their contribution, but presented it an as unobtrusive manner as possible, and the thanks they re-

Fulton county farmers must either pay a higher tax on their dogs, porch, or forego recovering sheep damages. Thus far this year fiftyfive claims for losses of sheep by County Commissioners. They ag-The U. S. will have no Vice gregate \$684. This has exhausted the dog tax fund, from which damages are paid, and no further claims thus cost the county about as much as the whole pack of them is worth.

No More Alms or Gift Houses.

From the Evening Bulletin. of contributions for the Schley house fund. This outcome is not a people, make a grandstand play of This is not because Schley tion; for his record is that of a gallant and efficient fighter. But it is time to put a stop to the practice small part of it didn't suit him. of bestowing alms on officers of the United States navy who have won prominence by their achievements. This country treats its officers, both in the army and navy, with signal liberality from the material point of view. Beginning with their enrollment at West Point and Annapolis, it educates them, feeds them, pro- vives the interest and adds to it, vids them with quarters and gives In Appleton's Popular Science went to the funeral. No such care breaks down or is incapacitated by being necessary now President Mc- old age from active exertion must and Its Ruins, the proofs, from Kinley and his entire Cabinet will rely on his savings or the charity geographical, topographical, and of his friends and family for a archæological data, in favor of her here at such unusual prices. Nothing about dent Hobart, at Paterson, N. J., go- similar circumstances is always sure principal settlements was on Charles hand and put on by hand. That's why they ing on a special train and returning of a comfortable livelihood. From River, Massachusetts. to Washington the same dayhis entrance into the military or naval academies until his death, he is relieved, properly and justly, from those anxieties regarding the public opinion a hair trigger affair future which must breast the great majority of his fellow-countrymen. This fact makes all these housebuying schemes at public expense decidedly inappropriate. Promotion and honor, the thanks of Congress, the presentation of swords shown that the clamor was based and medals and the admiration of upon incomplete knowledge of the the nation are the rightful due of commanders who perform distinguished services in times of special stress and danger. But it is neither the transfer of the house given to seemly nor just that men wearing Admiral Dewey to his wife. It the uniform, eating the bread and

The Stars as Time-Keepers.

should be made the objects of pub-

From How Standard Time is Obtained, by T. B. Willson, in Appleton's Popular Science Monthly for December. Probably the majority of people suppose that the observatories obtain the correct time from the sun. When the average man wishes to give his watch the highest praise he says, "It regulates the sun," not beprive the Admiral's son of the beat times two or three hundred property, a charge which the an- miles from where he thought he have been baseless. There is a les- during the intervening times gets William R. brother-in-law, seems to be entirely end of trouble between the astrono brother-in-law, seems to be entirely alone in the belief that the critialone in the belief that the critialone in the belief that the critiand Thomas A. Hendricks, of In. cism of of the Admiral was in- fore it was discovered that sun time spired by politicians who feared is subject to such irregularities him as a possible Presidential candi- The better the clock, the worse it often seemed to go. But as the Speaker-to-be-Henderson has de- variations in sun time are now ac-

single point which a star makes. Indiana is one of a few towns of For this reason astronomers depend ment is on foot to supply this want. method of doing this which we pro-Tuesday the Kepler Brothers cut hundred stars whose positions have pose to describe. There are several it can readily be calculated when it will pass the meridian of any given place—that is, the instant it will cross a north-and-south line through several different observatories for the use of navigators and all others who have uses for them. These stars are known as "clock stars."

American Post Office at Paris

Exposition. There will be a model American post office at the Paris Exposition. Arrangements have been made with 9no. the French postal authorities where by mails for Americans in Paris will be sent directly to this office nstead of going through the reguar channels. The post office will be fitted up with all of the modern postal appliances.

Extraordinary Operation. An extraordinary operation was performed a few days ago at Belle- Friday Next, Nov. 24th. vue Hospital, New York city. A messenger boy lost his nose and his right eye in a trolley car accident ceived were all the heartier because last June. In order to save his life the doctors allowed his wounds to heal; finally it was decided to perform an operation which should give the boy some relief from the keep them chained to the back disfigurement of his face. A gutta

Running a newspaper is just like running a hotel, only it is different. When a man goes into a hotel and year. Fulton county dogs have finds something on the table that he don't like he noesn't kick all the fat into the fire and tell the land- HARDWARE, CARPETS, OIL CLOTHS, lord to "stop his darned old hotel." says an exchange. He just pushes It is said that the discussion that dish aside and wades into some awakened by the transfers of the other brand of eatables. But it is Dewey home in Washington has different with some newspaper readhad the effect of stopping the flow ers. They find an item they don't like and without stopping to think that it may please a whole lot of paper is still published," you know. is unworthy of honor and distinc- The press still grinds on, however. and new subscribers line up in the place of the dyspeptic who stopped his source of information because a

founded their settlements during FUR SCARFS. their voyage to America of nearly living question with us, and each new speculation on the subject rethem good salaries as long as they Monthly for December Miss Cor-The civilian worker who nelia Horsford will present, in an illustrated article entitled Vinland maintenance. The officer under father's theory that one of their them that is not best. Collars made by

> Estate of Leonard Smith, late of Upper Providence township, Montgomery Co.. deceased. Notice is hereby given that letters of administration upon said estate have been ground to the understand the been granted to the undersigned, and that all persons indebted to the estate are re-quested to make prompt settlement and those having claims against the same to pre-sent them without delay to

SUSAN SMITH, Administratrix, r her attorney Arcola, Pa. Geo. W. Zimmerman, Collegeville, Pa.

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IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PA.—On the second day of October, 1899, was presented the petition of Jennie Colmer of the city of Philadelphia, representing inter alia. that there is of record in the office for recording of deeds, a mortgage given by Abraham Custer to Andrew Hyde, dated March 5, 1842, securing the payment of four hundred dollars, upon messuage and one acre and sixty perches f land, in Lower Providence Township, said ounty, bounded by a public road, lands now r late of John Casselberry, John Rosen, nd others, in Mortgage Book No. 23, page 68. That no satisfaction of said mortgage ppears of record, that the petitioner is the oner of said premises, that she believes nat said mortgage was paid many years ago hat no payment of principal or interest has een made for more than 21 years; that said nortgage has never been assigned, she therere prays the Court to direct that satisfac-on be entered of record. Notice is hereby wen to Andrew Hyde or his legal represen-

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### CHURCH SERVICES. Episcopal service at St. James', Evansburg,

every Sunday at 10.30 a. m. Sunday School, 2 p. m. Also a service at Royersford at 3.15 p. m. Rev. A. J. Barrow, rector. On and after Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 30,

morning service will be resumed at St. Paul's Memorial near Oaks. Services at Union church near Audubon discontinued for the winter and spring. Throughout the year at St Paul's Memorial at 3.30 p. m; during the winter and the month. All welcome. Benj. J. Douglass,

S. L. Messinger, pastor. Sunday School at 9 | creamery at Shannonville. a. m. Preaching every Sunday at 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Prayer meetings: Junior Endeavor, Sunday, 2 p. m. Y.P. S. C. E., Sunday, 6.30 p. m. Congregational, Wednesday, 7.30 p. m. Singing class, Monday, 7.30 p. m. Cate chetical class, Saturday, 2 p. m. All are cordially invited to attend the services. Thanksgiving services will be held on Thanks-

giving Day at 10 a, m. Evansburg M. E. Church, Rev. D. C. Kanffman, pastor. Prayer meeting this (Thursday) evening, at 8 o'clock, at the home of J. Warren Rosenberger, Yerkes. Sunday: Sunday school at 9.30 a. m.; Epworth League at 7.30; at 10.30 pack. The building is to be 16x20 a. m. and 8 p. m. special Missionary services | feet and two stories high. will be held, consisting of music, recitations, and addresses. The eongregation will be supplied with printed programs containing all the hundred acre farm of Mr. Hallowell music and responsive readings, so that all can in Upper Providence, south of take part. A silver offering will be lifted at

Lower Providence Presbyterian Church, Rev. C. R. Brodhead, pastor. Sunday School, 9.30 a. m. Preaching, 10.30 a. m. Y. P. S. C. E., 7 p. m. Preaching, 7.30 p. m.

Lower Providence Baptist Church. Preaching services 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m., every Sunday, Rev. Wm. Courson, pastor. Bible school, 9.30 a.m. Prayer meeting, Wednesday evening at 7.30. Shannonville Mission, every second Sunday evening at 7.30; Bible school Sundays, at 2.30 p. m.; prayer meeting, Tuesdays at 7.30 p.m.; Rev. S. O. Perry, pastor. Trinity Church.—Wednesday evening, prayer

service, 7.30 o'clock. Saturday afternoon, catechetics, 1.30 o'clock. Sunday: Sunday School, died Thursday morning, in her 9 a. m.; preaching, at 10 o'clock; the Junior C. 92nd year. Death was due to blood E. prayer service at 2 p. m.; the Y. P. S. C. E. prayer service at 8 o'clock. The pastor will conduct a preaching service at Skippackville church at 2.30 o'clock, Cate- a dinner bell, a few day previously.

chetics at 1.45 o'clock. Augustus Lutheran Church services next Sunday, 10.30 a. m.; evening, 7.30. Sunday School, at 8.50 a. m. Luther, League, 6.30 p. m. Christmas Services by Sunday School December 23, at 7.30 p. m.

### HOME AND ABROAD.

From Sunday's Philadelphia Press.

THANKSGIVING. If in the midst of life there steal Desires to see our sinful greed.

To make us mindful, quick to feel A weak and wanting brother's need: If in our hearts loves' purpose lies, Let simple, earnest thanks arise

If in the heat of strife and gain, O'erpowered by the world's success, We are not seared beyond the pain Of those less fortunate, oppressed: If in our hearts we sympathize, Let simple, earnest thanks arise.

If visible a soul's distress. We heal the wound or stay the tear; Or in the whirl of time redress

A human wrong : To us most dear Not wealth, but brave deeds' sacrifice-Let simple, earnest thanks arise. FRANCES GAYNER MOSER.

November 21, 1899.

\* -It is well to feast

\_If feasting is not gluttony,

-But it is better still

-To give thanks, to feel thankful

-For some reason or other,

-Not Pharisaical

fulness towers high above groveling | Schwenksville. ingratitude.

-Since there is much ingratitude among men, genuine thankfulness

to be thankful for by putting forth a little effort in the right direction.

-Let us do it, and be thankful. -The Y. W. C. T. U., of Yerkes, will meet next Saturday evening at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. James

G. Detwiler. -Four slander cases were tried

-If law and plenty of it be a cure for slander, then slander cases should multiply rapidly for a season

-Our congratulations to the Perkiomen Ledger. May it live to be ten times ten and be happy all

-The Port Kennedy Concert two members.

-Turkeys are reported plentiful and cheap, but the cost of the aver- succeeds Professor S. M. Hoch, who age Thanksgiving dinner this year will be about the same—as usual.

-Mrs. Henpeck-"It cost a great deal to keep me in the country all summer.

Henpeck-"Yes, my dear; but you know I never begrudged the money."-Life. -Aged Mrs. Margaret Hilton of Pottstown, was seriously injured

Monday by falling down a flight of tion, Saturday, numbered 47,133.

-Visitors to the Export Exposi- bolt, inflicting terrible wounds, and

## How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by taking Hall's Catarrh Cure. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Props., Toledo, O.

-B. P. Kern, of Upper Provilence, is in Virginia selecting a large lot of turkeys for the holiday trade. See adver. of sale in another

James, a nine-year-old son of J. F. Brenton, residing at the tinplate works below Norristown, nearly strangled to death Tuesday morning from swallowing a copper

-James McClain, a storekeeper at Port Kennedy is under bail, charged with illegally selling liquor. -Norristown raccoon hunters are

reported to have shot a twentypounder along the Perkiomen one night last week. Some folks entertain doubts as to the weight stated.

-Jerry Horn has relinquished his position as flagman at the railroad crossing on Main street, and spring at 10.45 a. m. Sunday School service at 2.30. Holy Communion on the first Sunday in hails from Valley Forge.

-Albert Crawford is building an St. Luke's Reformed Church, Trappe, Rev. | ice pond in his meadow near the -Neighbor M. O. Roberts would

his guinea pigs the other night. -John Minnick, of Bridgeport has sold his twenty-five acre farm

Eli Dyson for \$2750. -Operations have been begun on the new fire engine house at Skip-

in Lower Providence township to

-Arthur G. Ash has sold the one Trappe, to Henry E. Dotts of Limerick, for \$5,000.

### W. C. T. U.

The W. C. T. U., of Collegeville. will hold its regular monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. Krusen. next Tuesday afternoon, December at 2.30 o'clock.

Died of Blood Poisoning. Mrs. Jane Supplee, widow of the late Joseph Supplee, of Worcester, 92nd year. Death was due to blood poisoning caused by a slight injury to one of her fingers while ringing

### Norristown Markets.

Saturday's quotations: Turkeys were abundant; price 16c. per lb.; 20c. bundle; grapes, 10c. lb. 10c. quart.

Pomona Grange Meeting.

Pomona Grange, No. 8, of Montgomery county, will hold the next quarterly meeting on Thursday, cember 7, at 10

### M. E. Church Supper.

The supper given under the dihall Saturday evening, was well "Come Where the Lindens Bloom," attended, and the pleasant affair The stewards, on behalf the congregation, return thanks for the liberal patronage received.

Wedding Anniversary Celebrated

-The sense or feeling of thank- Line Lexington, Gratersford, and competitive examination.

Everything Put Up Will be Sold. get the date.

## Trolley Wire Thieves.

About 800 feet of feed wire were stolen from from the lines of the Schuylkill Valley Traction Com- Future Weather Conditions Depany in Norriton township, Thursin the Chester county court, last day night. The loss will approximate \$300. Thus far the thieves have not been apprehended. The watchman whose duty it is to keep on the lookout for wire thieves was not in the vicinity when the theft occurred.

## Elected Principal of a High

School. of Principal of the High School of on the way here. Talking about it students and their friends during West Conshohocken, at a salary of is enough to make one feel chilly. \$85 per month. Professor Johnson has accepted the chair of assistant professor in English language and literature at the Pennsylvania Military College, Chester.

## Priest Attacked by a Vicious

Boy. Father Candmas, governor of the Catholic Protectory at Fatland, Lower Providence, was attacked by a sixteen-year-old inmate, Satur. day. He beat Father Candmas over the head with a heavy iron would have killed the governor had not the cries of the wounded man attracted attention and assistance.

### Chamberlain's Pain Balm Cures Others. Why Not You!

My wife has been using Chamberlain's We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him Chency for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any nine years. We have tried all kinds of mediple everywhere take pleasure in relating

### Annual Supper.

The Ladies' Aid Society of Trinity Reformed church will hold their The ladies will, as is their rule, social events of the season.

Apples Rotting. Notwithstanding the enormous 1899 crop of apples, there may be a shortage in the fruit before the first of the year 1900. It is estimated that the loss throughout the country resulting from apples rotting has passed the \$1,000,000 mark. In many instances the consignments will not net freight charges.

Hundreds of Turkeys. tracted considerable attention.

### Another Train Jumper Fatally Injured.

Charles Franklin Beckler, a 14 year-old son of Joseph Beckler, of Pottstown, while attempting to board a moving eoal train near Sanatoga Monday afternoon, fell under the wheels and had both his legs horribly crushed below the knees. He was taken to the Potts-

Large Steel Stack.

## Admitted to the Philadelphia

Tyson Kratz Esq., of Norristown, been retained by the new proprietor was on Monday admitted to the chickens, 15 and 16c. per lb.; eggs, Philadelphia Bar, having passed the 32c. per doz; butter, 35c.; celery, examination before the Board of Examiners of the Bar. He is a oranges, 20 and 30c. doz; apples, member of the second year class of 15c. half-peck; bananas, 15c. doz.; the Law course of the University peas, 25c. half-peck; cranberries, of Pennsylvania and will continue in said course at least until Spring, having been awarded a scholarship in the Law Department.

Hall, Ironbridge. Business of the of the Zwinglian Literary Society, Grange will be transacted, officers Friday evening, were excellent. will be elected, and topics pertain. Miss Edna Albert sung a selection Professors Gummere and Meier; ing to the farm and household will from the opera "Mignon," giving Violin solo, Air varie No. 5, Miss na, as an enchore. Mr. Percy Fell, of Norristown, sung Schumann's Air varie, No. 6, Professor Meier; well known and ever popular "Two Male quartette: "Welcome, Pretty rection of the stewards of the M. Grenadiers," responding to a merit- Primrose," Messrs. Haines and E. church, Evansburg, in Kohn's ed enchore with Dudley Buck's Kochenderfer, Rinker and Rice.

## proved to be a financial success. Now a Bookkeeper in the Navy

Department. H. C. Brunner, of Trappe, some time ago resigned his position as Principal of the Commercial Department of the Schissler College, A surprise was tendered Mr. and and has since accepted a position ery, Wednesday evening of last partment of the U.S., at League week, in honor of their twenty-third Island, near Philadelphia. Mr. wedding anniversary. It was at- Brunner did effective work at tended by about one hundred per- Schissler College, and he will sons from Skippack, Evansburg, doubtless meet with success in his Souderton, Ironbridge, Colmar, new position, which he won in a

## Their Golden Wedding.

Fifty-one years ago Sunday A public sale at which everything | Ephraim Glase, and Elizabeth, his should be cultivated and strength- is sold that is put up, regardless of wife, were married by Rev. Conrad price, is a rare thing. But such a Miller, the pioneer Lutheran clergysale will occur at Phænixville on man of Pottstown. They celebrated -We can all discern something Thursday, Dec. 7, at 1 o'clock p. m., their golden wedding Tuesday, the at the old market house. Benja- event having been postponed a year min's sale is a sale that you do not ago on account of a blizzard which want to miss; everything sells that is put up. See adver. Don't for grandchildren, and two greatgrandchildren were present. A remarkable fact is that the family circle to the third generation is unbroken, there having been no

termined by Weather Prophets. The weather prophets prophecy as follows: The goose bone is Trappe, this week. nearly all white this year and the result will be that the snow will lie phia, is visiting her parents, Dr. on the ground from early Decem- and Mrs. J. W. Culbert. ber until late in April. A long, cold winter, filled with blustering storms, is ahead. There are other signs that confirm this. Corn husks are unusnally thick and woodchucks Professor Ralph L. Johnson has and chipmunks are already fat Saturday by a score of 18-0. resigned as an instructor at Ur- enough to kill. Certainly, we all Band has reorganized with twenty- sinus College to accept the position know now what sort of a winter is, tions given by the faculty to the

## Claim Dismissed.

Judge Swartz handed down an James Lees Lodge, No. 25, Order of St. George. The Judge decided rendered: Reading, G. E. Oswald; husband of the woman was a mem-Harris contended that she wanted Rinker; vocal solo, Mr. Percy Fell; the money to start up in business. Zwingli Review, Miss Bertha Moser.

It will not be a surprise to any who are at

### Team Struck by an Express Train.

The team of Philip Fladle, of annual supper on the eveing of De- near Shawmont, was struck by an cember 9 in the old school house. east-bound express train on the Reading Railroad at 8.10 o'clock spare no effort to make the enter- Monday morning at the crossing prise a success. Furthermore, the a short distance above Shawmont occasion will be one of the leading station and completely pemolished, the horse being ground to pieces. The driver, Jacob Metz, was thrown about twenty feet in the air and landed at the bottom of the embankment. Some of his bones were broken, and he was severely injured

## Rev. J. W. Meminger at

Trinity Church.

Rev. J. W. Meminger, the fluent pulpit talker of Lancaster city, addressed a large congregation in Trinity Reformed church, Sunday Murray Moore shipped four car- evening, and was listened to with loads of turkeys, chickens, ducks, close attention. One of the leadgeese and shoats to this market last | ing thoughts of the discourse was week. On Thursday at Beckman's that the most perfectly rounded hotel, Trappe, he sold about 400 character is obtained not by holdturkeys and 150 shoats, and has ing up one ideal by which to mould about 400 turkeys more and a lot of one's life, but by a diversity of shoats that he is now disposing of ideals. All the different epochs in like to locate the dog that killed at private sale. The unusually history stand for particular stages large droves of turkeys driven of advancement, and yet all have through this place last week at- developed in harmony. The more diversity of personality the more likely are all the different accomplishments in life to be attained. The personalities of the four great disciples-Peter, Paul, James and John-were specially referred to in

### Opening at Perkiomen Bridge Hotel.

the presentation of examples.

town Hospital, where he died about day evening of last week was at- away. Mr. Auer had the misfor- Gristock. a number of whom came from Phil- valuable horse. adelphia and Norristown, The A large steel stack manufactured Burgess, Chief of Police, and other by Newbold & Sons' Company, of official dignitaries were among those Norristown, for the United States from the Hub. Philadelphians, government, is now on its way to with harp, violins, cornet, and flute, the Philippine Islands. The stack discoursed excellent music, and the is of huge dimensions, and was con- formal opening of the old hotel unstructed for the new ice plant which | der its new management was a pleasthe United States government has ant social event to all who partici- Presbyterian church on Sunday under way at Manila. The stack pated. The work of improving the was shipped in parts. It will be interior of the building has been one hundred feet in height, resting started. The new carpets and linon seventy-five feet of solid ma- oleum are being furnished by J. L. Bechtel and the painting is to be done by I. P. Latshaw. As is generally known, the popular clerk Thursday at 10.30 a.m. James Rapp, who has given efficient Joseph Stancliffe Kratz, son of C. service at the hotel for years, has

Musical Recital. The musical recital given in Bomberger Memorial Hall, under the direction of Professor Theodore F. | week at 730. Meier, Tuesday evening, was an enjoyable event. The proceeds will be devoted to athletics. Following is the program which was rendered, several of the numbers being engram rendered at the open meeting Meier; Flute solo, Heimweh, Mr. R. hotel floors, and carpet. "Adagio," from Sonata Pathetique, mud every time. "Ave Maria," set to the famous In- Lillian Lutes; Piano duet, Norwetermezzo from Caveleria Rustican- gian Dance, Misses Marion Spang- bidders. ler and Mabel Hobson: Violin solo,

## PERSONAL.

Mrs. P. C. Mensch and Miss E. cember. Vertrees Watkins, of Ursinus College spent Saturday in Philadel-Miss Mary Harbaugh, of Waynesboro, was the guest of Professor Mrs. Henry G. Hunsicker of Cream- as bookkeeper for the Navy De- and Mrs. A. B. Hess, last week.

George A. Kercher, of Philadelphia, and J. Frederick, of Royersford, were in town on Monday.

Misses Amanda G. Cullen, and Etta E. Watkins, of Phænixville, and Miss Emma Bauman, of Germantown, visited Messrs. Dan and Ed. Kelley, at Ursinus College on

Monday. Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Wismer and family and Mr. and Mrs. J. Fry, all of Gratersford, were the guests of

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Lachman on Warren Essig, of Pottstown, vis ited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Howard Richard of Spring City, called upon friends

about town on Sunday. Revs. J. F. Kramlich of Royersford and Geo. Kerschner of Falls of Schuylkill, Rev. and Mrs. Kurtz of Pottstown, and Rev. and Mrs. N. E. Miller of Phoenixville, visited Rev. and Mrs. W. O. Fegely of

# Miss Nellie Culbert, of Philadel-

URSINUS COLLEGE NOTES. The foot ball team defeated Lebanon Valley College at Annville on

The first of the monthly recepthe winter will occur on Thursday

A more successful open meeting opinion, Monday, in the equity pro- than that of the Zwinglian Literary ceedings brought by Mrs. Annie Society, last Friday evening, was Harris, of Norristown, against never held at Ursinus. The following program was exceptionally well that Mrs. Harris was not entitled to Recitation, Miss Mary Markley; the money collected by a committee Music, College Quartet; Debate, and the case was dismissed. The Resolved, that England's stand against the Transvaal is justifiable. ber of the lodge, and when he died Affirmative speakers, Kirter and Mrs. Harris and her children. The Albert; paper on the experiences committee decided to invest the of a book agent, E. M. Hershey; you give you will receive credit for in your money and allow her \$10 a month. Recitation, Alma Clamer; violin own name, as this will be a general donation took the matter into court. Mrs. and Gummere; Oration, R. A. many will accept this invitation.

> "He plays well that wins." Hood's Sarsaparilla wins the victory over disease because it possesses genuine curative power,

### YERKES and VICINITY.

Mrs. A. G. Gotwals and Misses Frances and Jennie Colehower spent Monday afternoon with Mrs. died suddenly of capillary bron-P. H. Colehower.

Trappe, visited D. W. Favinger and Mennonite cemetery, Skippack. family, on Sunday.

J. M. Hendren, who has been sick with tonsilitis at home in Roxborough, expects to be able to return to this vicinity soon.

spent Sunday at Locust farm.

in visiting, feasting, and hunting, ville. Funeral was held Sunday

Quite an interesting program was resented at the meeting of the Crescent Literary Society, Saturday evening. A large number of visitors were present, among them being Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mills morning. Two weeks previous to of Philadelphia; Mrs. Horace Ash. his demise he suffered an acute at-Plush of Arcola, and Chester Kratz, of Philadelphia.

### FROM FAIRVIEW VILLAGE and VICINITY.

A cow belonging to Alvin Youum on the Zimmerman property fell into a well last week. The animal much injured.

While driving up the pike at Fairview on Wednesday evening of engaged in the coal and lumber per day should be able to build a last week John Auer ran into a carriage coming in the opposite direction, upsetting his vehicle. The Proprietor Bowers' opening at horse began kicking, demolished tended by about 150 persons, quite tune several weeks ago to lose a

Horning near Eagleville.

Nineteen persons were admitted to membership at the Providence last, as a result of the week's reviagingly for the pastor.

# held at the Baptist church on

AROUT. A series of revival services began in the United Evangelical church last Sunday evening. Services every evening during the

this place, Sunday.

A. Rinker; Duet, (violin and guitar) when packed down, it's better than The combination sale at Spang's hotel on Saturday was attend by a

large crowd of spectators and H. V. Keyser is placing additional

wedding took place in the upper end Saturday evening. Mrs. H. V. Keyser is suffering the darkest Africa for the Phonix from lead poisoning. Her many foot ball team; and it was said friends wish her a speedy recovery. Mrs. O. H. E. Rauch and daugh-

parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Royer. Isaac Longstreth is having an ten passenger coaches to convey engine and chopping mill placed in the lovers of the game from Phœ

ter spent part of last week with her

urday and Sunday. Frank Casey is on the sick list.

The regular monthly meeting of couragement and propose to tackle the Phænix team if the weather Jos. C. Johnson, the Temperance Society will be the Phoenix team if the weather postponed until the first Thursday holds. evening in January, or until the

revival services are over. H. V. Keyser is still nursing a very sore finger. Peter McNeil of Kimberton, Chester county, has rented the

### into the same on the first of December. Large Contribution for Charity

Hospital. The committee of Trinity Reformed Church, this borough, subshows that the members and friends of Trinity church have generously contributed towards the support of

a worthy charitable institution: COLLEGEVILLE, PA., Nov. 28, 1899. To Contributors :- We have this day sent to the Treasurer of Charity Hospital eighty-four dollars and thirty cents. Acept our thanks in behalf of the congregaion for your liberal contributions, and may evening, December 7, in Olevian the blessings of God rest upon you all for the aid given the Institution to carry on its

grand work. MRS. F. M. HOBSON, MRS. JOS. C. LANDES,
MRS. JOHN S. HUNSICKER,
Committee. MISS SARA CASSELBERRY,

Since quite a number of the friends of Charity Hospital have expressed a desire to visit the Hospital we extend to all such a cordial invitation to accompany us on Tuesday, December 5, taking the 1 o'clock p. m. \$595 was collected. The money Matterness; negative, Ehret and sand return for 25 cents. Those so disposed can take with them any canned or dried trolley car from Collegeville. You can go fruits, jellies, apple butter, etc. Whatever The woman was not satisfied and and guitar duet, Professor Meirer not credited to the church. It is hoped that MRS. FRANK M. HOBSON.

## Used by British Soldiers in Africa

C. A. Snow & Co., Patent Lawyers, oppodate of Nov. 4, 1897. from Vryburg, Bechuanaland, he writes: "Before starting on the Nothing like keeping up with the Nothing like keeping up with the bligation made by their firm.

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### DEATHS.

Maria H., daughter of Christian and Laura Hunsicker, of Creamery, chitis Friday night, aged two years and six months. The funeral was to go to Pawling and Perkiomen Mr. and Mrs. David Reiner, of held yesterday. Interment at lower Junction.

Charles Sturm, who was a clerk in the store of McNoldy & Prizer, Schwenksville, died of typhoid pneumonia, Thursday morning aged 23 years. His death occurred Messrs. Joseph and Edwin Kratz in Philadelphia, where he was taken ill about three weeks ago, while on a visit. He was a son of Mr. and Thanksgiving Day will be spent Mrs. Ernest Sturm, of Schwenks- Coon Haven repaired. in this vicinity; also in giving afternoon. Interment in the Schwenksville cemetery.

Harry E. Gristock, of the firm of W. H. Gristock's Sons, aged 24 years, 11 months and 9 days, died at his home in this borough, Friday esteemed by a wide circle of friends it, even if it is a honey do to his was easily brought out and not sorrowing mother and brothers and The only objection we offer is he the fall of 1897 the business was enough for the land to build on.

The Mite Society of the Provi- vices at the house comprised a peak of popularity, if you are not dence Presbyterian church will prayer by Rev. Wm. Courson, a evenly balanced, down you go; and meet on Tuesday evening, Decem- brief address by Rev. J. H. Hen- though it is hard to climb the hill, variety and beautiful and elaborate hase'n the public don't you know. in design, and included a vacant chair from Economy Lodge, I. O of O. F., of Evansburg; an anchor val services. This speaks encour- from friends and former schoolmates; a pillow from the brothers Thanksgiving services will be and sisters. At the Lower Providence Baptist church the services were continued by music by the choir, reading of the Scriptures by Dr. Hendricks, prayer by Rev. S. O. Perry, and a funeral discourse FROM TRAPPE AND ROUNDwell suited to the sad occasion by the pastor Rev. Wm. Courson. In addition to the usual religious exercises at the grave the funeral rites of the Order of Odd Fellows were pronounced by Wm. White and Henry Kulp, of Economy Lodge, Mrs. Charles Funk and friend, of Evansburg, of which the deceased thanks for life, for health and Royersford, visited his mother at was a member. About 60 of the strength; that you have your his place, Sunday.

members of the Lodge attended in friends, as well as enemies, for the but one season. About 10 tons of timothy friends, as well as enemies, for the but one season. About 10 tons of timothy friends, as well as enemies, for the but one season. About 10 tons of timothy friends, as well as enemies, for the but one season. About 10 tons of timothy friends, as well as enemies, for the but one season. About 10 tons of timothy friends, as well as enemies, for the but one season. About 10 tons of timothy friends, as well as enemies, for the but one season. About 10 tons of timothy friends, as well as enemies, for the but one season. About 10 tons of timothy friends, as well as enemies, for the but one season. About 10 tons of timothy friends, as well as enemies, for the but one season. About 10 tons of timothy friends, as well as enemies, for the but one season. About 10 tons of timothy friends, as well as enemies, for the but one season. About 10 tons of timothy friends, as well as enemies, for the but one season. About 10 tons of timothy friends, as well as enemies, for the but one season. About 10 tons of timothy friends, as well as enemies, for the but one season. About 10 tons of timothy friends, as well as enemies, for the but one season. Good Music.

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### FROM OAKS.

We are enjoying very fine weather for this season of the year, and break up the practice of drinking some folks say this weather is very unseasonable, unhealthy, and we no employe will be permitted to be should have colder weather. Well, off on pay day, or two days there- DAY, DECEMBER 7, 1899, at the residence H. V. Keyser is placing additional desks in Bechtel's and Pennypack- I suppose so, but just as many people get sick, and just as many people die, even should the weather be otherwise. We do not see any difference. For ourself we are really thankful it is so, for it is just frosty enough in the morning to make us

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Should have colder weather. Well, I suppose so, but just as many people die, even should the weather be otherwise. We do not see any difference township, half-mile west of Trappe, the following personal property: Two horses, excellent who should be steady and sober, it should be railroad men.

Literary.

Literary. get around lively. It is fine, very fine weather for foot ball games, and Conshohocken appears to be even if you cannot add one cubit to your stature, those who returned from the game had some very long faces on them, and were down at the mouth. It required a train of nixville to Conshohocken on the Samuel Star and wife and sister Pennsy R. R. to witness the game, visited friends and relatives in and the railroad company made a Roxborough and Philadelphia, Sat- comfortable pile if no one else did. New York. We did not hear of anyone from Oaks attending the game, but heard the Oaks team had taken en-

Some of our young bloods who thought they would have some fun with an old fellow who had a lonely road to travel to his home the other night, agreed to play the hold up game on him. They started out, discharged several pistol shots in easy terms. For further information apply Dayid Yeager home and will move the air by way of "skeering" him, to or address but the old fellow did not "skeer worth a cent;" but it aroused the neighbors who live on the suburbs, who propose to inquire into the matter, and the young fellows now fear the entertainment will conclude with the "laughable" comedy mit the following report, which of how we skeered the old fellow in

some Justice's court. Mr. I. R. Weikel celebrated his sixtieth birthday on Saturday. He does not look that old and appears apply to to be as young as ever, even if he is no "spring chicken" any more. Sometimes Mr. Weikel's birthday comes on Thanksgiving day; that For sale.

Rev. Mr. Meyers preached at Green Tree on Sunday, morning and evening.

The new bride and groom, Mr.

and Mrs. J. Bowers (nee Kulp)

were in attendance at church Sunday evening. John E. Brower, reported sick, is still able to be about. Mr. Eugene Mayberry, an attendant at the Asylum, and Mrs. Jacob

Mrs. George Hallman went to Port Providence on Sunday. Mr. Higginbotham is still confined to the house with a bad knee, and there is danger of a stiff joint. He enjoys the best of health, and if it was not for the injured knee,

Dettre of Norristown, visited Oaks

and Green Tree on Sunday.

also one at the other end of the DUBLIC SALE OF 20 trestling. "All persons except employes are forbidden to cross this ridge." Go around by Pawlings AND 200 INDIANA COUNTY HOGS, bridge or Phænixville if you desire

Mr. Himmelburger is now Superintendent of the Perkiomen and East Penn Railroads.

Rahns killed the mad dog that came down from Grater's Ford on Friday evening.

The Reading Railroad Company is having their tenant house at 1500 CHOICE FAT TURKEYS.

The scholars of the Green Tree school propose having a Christmas entertainment, which is to eclipse anything heretofore undertaken. Thanksgiving services at Green Tree, and an effort will be made to organize a Sunday school to continue through the winter.

When we went to school and any enfelter, Mr. and Mrs. Edward tack of Bright's disease, and his boy would give another any article. condition from the start was criti- and then take it back again, it was cal. All efforts to check the pro- thought to be an act inexpressibly gress of the disease were of no mean. A gift is a gift, but it is no avail; the ruthless hand of the gift, without freedom to do with it messenger of death could not be as you please, is absolute. Adstayed. The deceased was an ex- miral Dewey can do with the house emplary young man beloved and given him as he sees fit to do with who deeply sympathize with the new bride. Whose business is it? sisters. As is generally known, the should not have accepted the gift departed one was a son of the late under any consideration. A per-Wm. H. Gristock who was for years son receiving thirty-seven dollars business in this place, being associ- brown stone front anywhere, even ated with G. Z. Vanderslice. In here at Perkiomen, if he pays transferred to W. H. Gristock's When he sailed into the Philippines

Perkiomen Bridge Hotel Wednes- the wagon and, freeing himself, ran Sons-Frank H., and Harry E. he little dreamed on his return home, he would have to wade into The funeral was held Tuesday the Phillistines. But such is life. afternoon at one o'clock. The ser- When once you reach the highest ber 12, at the residence of Lewis dricks, D. D., and two selections by its easy coming down, if you roll the Ursinus College Quartet. The down. But the Admiral is only refloral tributes were profuse in producing the tricks of school days, The latest reports from the Transvaal, delayed in transmission, there-

fore not copyrighted, is to the effect that a shell from the Boers artillery struck and exploded in Ladysmith's bedwoir, hanging a new lot of bangs just received, bang up against a table of cosmetics and perfumes. It was most fortunate there was no one in the room, Ladysmith had just stepped around to see Ladybrowndunnerbest, just in from Pietermaritzdoedemder-Thanksgiving Day again. Ye who have increased your store, give

thanks; and who have naught, give

made to run all freight trains, ex- J. G. Fetterolf, auct. cept the local freight, through to G. W. Zimmerman, clerk.

Port Richmond. Supt. Himmelberger proposes to PUBLIC SALE OF and getting drunk on pay days, and

Literary.

The Popular Science Monthly for December fully maintains the excellent and deserved reputation attained by that most instructive and useful periodical. The December number is made up in part by the following contributions: Exact Methods in Socious Chine, feed cutter with new knives, windmill, cornsheller, Deering mowing machine, horse rake, hay rope and pulleys, 2 polymerake, hay rope and pulleys, 2 polymerake, hay rope and pulleys, 2 market wagon, top buggy, backboard, two sleighs, double and single harness; log, cow and other chains, wheelbarrow, rakes, shovels, forks, hoes; scalding tub, grindstanding the proposed properties of the proper the American Newspaper-W. L. Hawley. How Standard Time is Obtained-T. B. B Willson, M. A. Agricultural Education in Foreign Countries-W. E. DeRiemer, M. A. Electricity from Thales to Faraday-A. Electricity from Thales to Faraday— Ernest A. Lesueur. Send for copy, price 50 horse cover nearly new, lot chicken manure. 2 threshing flails, double and single trees, cents, to D. Appleton & Co., 72 Fifth Ave.,

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POR SALE.

A new house, barn, and all necessary outbuildings, besides about one-half acre of ground, at Evansburg, belonging to the estate of the late Daniel Buckwalter, deceased.

This property is located, about one half mile S. H. ORR Skippack, Pa.

In the borough of Collegeville: A dwelling house, with 7 rooms, blacksmith

shop, wheelwright shop, stable, and 2½ acres of good land. This property fronts on the Perkiomen and

FOR SALE OF RENT.

erty fronts on the Perkiomen and Sumneytown turnpike and extends to the beautiful Perkiomen river, where

is, if the last Thursday of the month should be the 25th.

Four general purpose horses; and one of them can step a mile in 2.30.

GIRL WANTED as cook. Apply in person or by letter, giving reference.
MRS. LEWIS N. LUKENS, 7th Av. & Fayette St., Conshohocken, Pa

A NNUAL MEETING.

The Annual Meeting of the Upper Providence Live Stock Association will be held at Spang's hotel, Trappe, on MONDAY, DECEMBER 4, 1899, at 1 o'clock p. m., to elect officers for the ensuing year. The Board of Managers will meet at 10 a. m. By order of the Board.

JOHN D. SAYLOR, President. JOHN WANNER, Secretary.

Capt. C. G. Dennison is well known all over Africa as commander of the forces that the boxing gloves, and the next we hear we will have an Africo-Ameri-

Extra Ohio Cows.

SHOATS AND PIGS. Will be sold at public sale on MONDAY, DECEMBER 4, 1899, at Bean's hotel, Schwenksville, 20 extra fresh Ohio cows, with calves by their sides, tendent of the Perkiomen and also a few springers, and 200 very fine Indiana county hogs, shoats and pigs, which will be sold first. Come early as we will have a big half day's work. Sale at 1 o'clock p. m. on the minute. Conditions by FRANK SCHWENK.

# DUBLIC SALE OF

600 CHICKENS. 100 DUCKS.

50 GEESE. I will sell on MONDAY MORNING, DE-CEMBER 11, 1899, at Spang's Lamb Hotel, Trappe, 1500 big, fat turkeys, 500 chickens, 100 ducks, 50 geese. Gentlemen, this lot of poultry is of my own selection in Culpeper county, Va, and the turkeys are principally the Mammoth Bronze and are fat ready for Christmas; these turkeys are equally a good as the carload which I disposed o among you last season, as they are shipped from the very same place. Gentlemen, if you think of buying any poultry for Christmas or New Year's, do not fail to attend this sale, as I will not have them appraised; they will positively be add to the property of the pr they will positively be sold to the highest bidder, rain or shine. So bring your coops with you. Sale will commence at 8.30 a. m. Conditions by Frank Peterman, auct. M. B. Linderman, clerk

### DRIVATE SALE OF HOGS!

signed will sell at private sale 150 hogs, weighing from 40 to 250 lbs., at Black Rock Hotel. This is thrifty stock. Come and make your seletions early. WM. GARTLAND.

On and after NOVEMBER 25 the under-

DRIVATE SALE OF Shoats and Turkeys I still have on hand at Beckman's hotel, Trappe, a lot of choice shoats and several hundred fine turkeys that I will dispose of at private sale. Buy your turkeys now and fatten them for the Christmas and New Year markets.

MURRAY MOORE.

## DUBLIC SALE OF

Personal Property! Will be sold at public sale, on THURS-DAY, DECEMBER 14, 1899, on the "Raudenbush Farm," situated on a public road leading from the Mennonite Meeting House to Black Rock Hotel, in Upper Providence to Black Rock Hotel, in Upper Providence township, the following personal property:

Four horses. Nos. 1, 2 and 3, are all first-class farm horses, work anywhere, and are perfectly sound. No. 4 is a brown horse, works on treadpower and is a good single line leader. Three yearling helfers, one Holstein stock bull, 7 hogs. Farm Machinery:

Osborne mower, 5 ft. cut; Osborne hay tedder, Tiger hay rake, farm wagon (3 in. tread), with hay bed, nearly new; express wagon, spindle buggy, two wagon (5 in. tread), with hay bed, nearly new; express wagon, spindle buggy, two fallingtop buggies, nearly new; road cart, plank ro.ler, 2 springtooth harrows, hoe harrows, 2 Hench cultivators, Syracuse plow, Heebner fodder cutter, double set heavy harness, double and single lines, etc.

twenty dollars. HORACE ASHENFELTER

Personal Property!

ology—F. H. Giddings, Ph. D. Vinland in box, maul and wedges, horse dung hook, Ruins—Cornelia Horsford. Development of the American Newspaper—W. L. Hawley. small dung hook, water and feed troughs, scythes and sneathes, 12 ft. ladder, 16 ft ladder, broad axe, post axe, pitching axe, post auger, post boring machine, harness and other cupboards, pair good trestles, lot of grain and bran bags, hay knife, lot of gambrels, 16 ft. hay ladders, hay pole, gum market wagon tongue, neck yokes, rope and pulley, crosscut saw, saddle, 2 scoop shovels, 2 barrels vinegar, 300 bushels of corn on cob, 150 bushels oats, wheat and oats straw, 10 tons timothy hay, 10 tons mixed hay, 1500 bundles cornfodder, 5½ acres of rye in the

Dairy Fixtures, &c.: Deleval Separator No. 2, cream cans, milk buckets, large churn, butter cooler, pans, pots and kettles, butcher knives, lard press, sausage cutter, marble butter slab, etc.

Household Goods: Cook stove and pipe, dining table, 6 Windsor chairs, 2 bedsteads, quilting frames, 2 large iron kettles, 40 gallon farmers' boiler, and many articles no mentioned. Sale at 12 o'clock, sharp. Con ditions at sale by SUSAN AMOS. ditions at sale by J. M. Evans, auct. R. B. Evans, clerk.

## DUBLIC SALE OF

REAL ESTATE! Will be sold at public sale on MONDAY, DECEMBER 11, 1899, on the premises situated on the Ridge turnpike, five miles north of Norristown, one and a half miles south of Collegatillo, the same and a half miles south of

ated on the Ridge turppike, five miles north of Norristown, one and a half miles south of Collegeville; also on the public road leading from Evansburg to Baptist Church, on Ridge Road, in Lower Providence, Montgomery county, Pa., the following described farm of one hundred and one acres and fifty six perches, adjoining lands of Wm. Smith, Philip Stilwagon, Baptist church property, and on the north by the Shippack creek. This land is very fertile, divided into convenient fields with plenty of good water.

FOR SALE.

Four general purpose horses; and of them can step a mile in 2.30.

All good roadsters. Apply to J. H. SPANG, Lamb Hotel, Trappe, Pa.

FOR SALE.

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A house, lot, and blacksmith shop in Upper Providence, one mile west of Yerkes Station. Apply to or address

JOSEPH BRUNNER, Oaks, Pa.

The same outkitchen, large cave with churn house attached. Stone barn, stabling for 6 horses and 25 cows. Straw shed, wagon and carriage house, 51 by 20 ft. Hog sty, corn and slaughter house, hennery, and all necessary outbuildings needed on the premises. This property is worthy the attention of purchasers, as it is particularly located for stock raising and has a large frontage on ises. This property is worthy the attention of purchasers, as it is particularly located for stock raising and has a large frontage on Ridge turnpike, which is very desirable for building sites. The electric cars pass this property, which makes access to Norristown and Philadelphia very convenient. Any person desiring to view this property will call on the owner residing thereon. Sale at 2 o'clock n.m. Conditions on day of sale. 2 o'clock p. m. Conditions on day of sale. M. C. RAMBO.

> NOTICE TO GUNNERS,
> All gunners in quest, of any All gunners in quest of any kind of game, are forbidden to trespass upon the premises of the undersigned, under penalty of law D. H. Casselberry, Lower Providence, Upper Providence, and Skippack.
> H. K. Boyer, Lower Providence and Skip-

pack.
M. A. Fry, Lower Providence.
Samuel Sperry, "
Dr. M. Y. Weber, "

"
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Mr. Young and some friends had been discussing the political outlook in Kentucky at Mr. Young's house in Louisville one night, just on the eve of the Democratic state convention, several years ago. When the party broke up, Mr. Young's daughter, then about 18 years old, now married, who had been an interested listener during the

discussion, spoke up: "Why, my child, they would never

think of me for that office. No one cares enough about me for that." "But, pa, would you accept the nomi nation if it were offered you?" "Why, of course I would; nobody

would refuse the honor." Miss Young said no more at the time, and started in the direction of The Courier-Journal office, Colonel Henry Watterson being an intimate friend of the family. It happened that she met the veteran editor in the street. "Ah, Uncle Henry, will you do me a favor?" the young woman asked im-

"Anything in the world that I can do I will."

"Well, I want pa to be governor of

Colonel Watterson turned back to the office and sat down and wrote a spirited editorial, demanding in the interests of the Democratic party that John Brown Young be nominated by the convention soon to meet. The result was in accordance with the noted editor's wishes. Mr. Young's election being a foregone conclusion.-Chicago 6.55, 10.50 a. m.; 4.35 p. m. Sunday - 4.35 Chronicle.

> More Miles Than You Can Count. Statements as to the distance of the pole star from the earth which have appeared in some of the newspapers lately have been ridiculously inadequate. One of the estimates made is 255,000,000 miles. Now, if one will remember that the sun is 93,000,000 miles away and that its light comes to us in eight minutes, he will see that if the foregoing estimate of the distance of the pole star were right its beams could reach us in about 15 days. It would be only about 2,700 times as far off as the sun.

Light travels 6,000,000,000,000 miles in a year, and even the most modest guesses as to the parallax of Polaris make it 35 light years. Pritchard's estimate in 1887 was 90 light years, but he has since modified his figures. Hence, if one will write 210 and add 12 ciphers thereto he will have the numer of miles which the most conservative authorities believe intervene between the earth and the pole star .-

New York Tribune. Shakespeare's Father. A paper entitled "Shakespeare and Sanitation" was read at the recent provincial meeting of the Incorporated Society of Medical Officers of Health at Stratford-on-Avon. Among other things the author related the following: "It is interesting to find that the name of John Shakespeare, the father of the poet, first appears in the records of the municipality as owing a fine of twopence for having made a dirt heap with his neighbors, Adrien Quincy and Henry Reynolds, in Henly street, and on another occasion he 'stood amerced' in fourpence for failing to keep his

None Better Than All. Miss Gingham-And I suppose they have bargain days in Glasgow, Mr.

McIvor? McIvor-Ma conscience, no! It wad na do ava! Miss Gingham-Indeed! Why,

thought bargain days would just suit your people! McIvor-That's juist it. It would suit them ower weel. If they had bargain days, naebody wad buy onything on the ither days, ye ken!-London Telegraph.

An Unexpected Answer. In the course of an address Dr. Conan Doyle told a quaint experience of his in the Sudan. Wishing to find out whether one of the black soldiers was a Mohammedan or a pagan, he asked him, "Whom do you worship?" "I worship my colonel," came the an-

swer, pat. The lessons of history would suggest

to a Sherlock Holmes that the man was a Mohammedan.

Good and Bad Eels. "So you think that little eels are sweet and that big eels are rank and strong, do you?" said a fish dealer. 'Well, you're off. It isn't the size of the eel that governs his taste. It is his habitation and way of life. But most people think as you do, and throw away the big eel and cook the little one, and then, if the little fellow is strong, they think it is because he wasn't little enough. Nothing could be

"The eel that inhabits a stream with a hard, clean, sandy bottom is sweet and edible, be he as big as your leg or tiny as your finger, for this eel finds food scarce, and he must exercise and keep sober and hustle-else he will starve-and this active career makes him healthy and wholesome. But the eel that lives in the mud, where provisions are plentiful, is unfit for the table, for his life is sluggish, his habits and organs are bad and his flesh, when cooked, tastes and smells of the muddy element. That is why the Schuykill eel is worse than carrion for table purposes, while the eel of the upper Delaware makes a dainty dish."—Philadelphia Record.

The Yankee Joker Abroad. A story on the fraudulent conferring of degrees is told in the London Post, which, while it may not be strictly accurate, is not without interest. It seems that a chimney sweep took proceedings against an Edinburgh man for debt, and in the course of his evidence the sweep mentioned that his name was "Jamie Gregory, LL. D." The following colloquy ensued between the witness and the sheriff:

"What, doctor of laws or letters? And where on earth did you get that distinction?" "It was a fellow fra' an American

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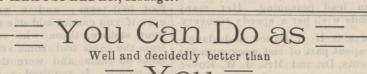
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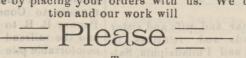
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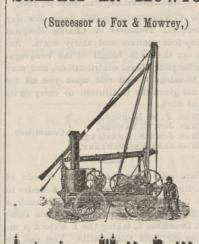
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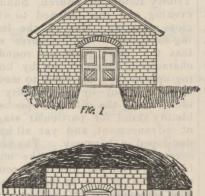
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ROOTHOUSE AND HILLSIDE CELLAR. or cellar, says a writer in the Ohio Farmer in introduction to descriptions and diagrams as follow of a number of these places:

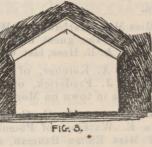
made of brick. As brick is a pretty good conductor of heat and cold, it is necessary in building the walls to leave air spaces. A roothouse should be roof boarded with matched lumber and shingled, underlaid with two thicknesses of good building paper and ceiled overhead with matched ceiling and should have double doors, one pair to swing out and one pair to swing in. Fig. 2 shows the stone facing of a hillside root cellar. This is a large cellar with bins on each side, with an alley between, and is provided with a wide door. Two tight fences of stakes and planks two feet apart, with earth filled in between, or of logs or stout rails used in the same manner make a cheaper front and give better protection against cold than stone.

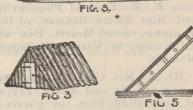
A field root cellar, Fig. 3, may be built by digging in dry ground a trench 5 feet deep and 8 wide. Along each side 11/2 feet below the surface notch and bevel the earth up to the surface so as to form an oblique support for a

Procure for rafters 2 by 8 joists, saw them into lengths of 5 feet and set up a pair, spiked together at the top, every two feet of the length of the building. Nail cheap oak boards on the top of these rafters so as to cover it completely. Cover this roof 12 to 18 inches deep with earth and sod it neatly. drawing the sod on each side to a gutter which will lead away the water of the rains.

boarding and filled in between with the latest style of hives, with the statesawdust. In the gable ends over the | ment that they are no man's private top of the doors it should be supplied with movable shutters for ventilation. In light soils it will be necessary to place a stone or brick or post and board wall against the side of the cellar. Such a cellar will last many years and is thoroughly frostproof. If made 30 feet long, it will hold, being filled only to the eaves, about 700 bushels. It may of course be made wider and higher and have root bins on each side, with a passageway between them. Fig. 4 is a cheap roothouse made of

slabs. Fig. 5 is half of a cross section. To make it frostproof take some rough





ROOT CELLAR AND CHEAP ROOTHOUSE. boards, cut them to the desired length and nail on three 2 by 4 pieces, as shown in cut. Fill in spaces c c with sawdust. The ends must be made double and filled in with sawdust, then put on the roof of rough slabs. It will be tasteful and picturesque in appearance and will answer the requirements of

A New Notion About Black Knot. Two years ago I found some black knot on a plum tree. To remove it by cutting off the limbs would greatly disfigure the trees. The idea occurred to 1899. me to cover it with a plastic salve that would prevent the spores being cast off and thus prevent any further increase. I mixed equal parts of kerosene, lard and resin, melted them together, then applied with a swab, covering completely the enlargement, and in the fall gave another thorough application. In the spring the knots were scraped off easily. Now the bark is growing over the bare spots and will soon cover them. There is no guesswork about this. It does the work,

The Clover Crop. There are few states in which the production of clover does not present a more or less marked contrast to the almost uniformly large production of last year. In the New England states there is a falling off of one-third to one-half; New York reports 71 per cent of a full crop, as compared with 109 per cent last year; Pennsylvania

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increase in the facilities for transpor tation every farmer in the civilize world is the competitor to a certain degree of every other, even in the sale of products consumed at his very door. To be successful he must know more of the business of the world, not only what is being done, but also how it is done. He must have the best machinerv. and to use it to the greatest advantage he must have a large place. The successful farmer will be the broadly and thoroughly educated one.

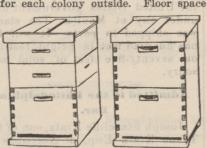
A BEE TALK.

Up to Date Houses and Hives That

Are Every Man's Privilege. There are many advantages in keeping bees in a house. While there are many apiarists who use beehouses exclusively, the majority do not. There are also many different kinds and varieties of houses used. A beehouse need not be an expensive one, and almost any kind of house will answer the purpose. None is better than an old dwelling house, and two or more rooms are the more convenient, provided they have an outside face of one end or side, or both.

Perhaps a two room house with one partition is the best. Such a house with two ordinary sized rooms, say 14 feet square, will give 112 feet of outside surface, but take off 12 feet for doors, etc., and the 100 feet left will accommodate 50 colonies of bees by setting the hives two feet apart from center to center, which will give ample working room. The entrances are cut through to the outside and made to correspond to the entrance to the hives. The hives may be set directly on the floor, but I would prefer them set on the usual bottom boards, nailed to cleats at each end, that would raise the hive some four inches from the floor, this for the purpose of chaff packing in winter. Bees thus kept in a house are very easily prepared for Fig. 1 is an end view of a roothouse winter, and the extra protection thus afforded brings them through the winter in prime order.

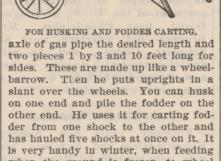
A very cheap beehouse and a very convenient one that I have used and which I make exclusively for bees is a small house 10 feet long, 6 feet wide and 6 feet high. This building accommodates 11 colonies, and the expense does not exceed \$1 per colony. This is no more than chaff hives will cost for each colony outside. Floor space



LATEST HIVES COMPLETE. for the hives to rest on only is used, as a ground floor in the center is preferred. The objection to a much longer house on the same plan is that it is not convenient to move, and also that bees become more or less confused where so many entrances are close together and all have the same appearance This has always been the objection to beehouses, but small buildings such as these, located around at different

places, overcome this objection. In addition to the foregoing para graphs by A. H. Duff of Kansas, The The ends may be closed with double Farm. Field and Fireside illustrates property, but about every beekeeper's furniture, used now almost exclusively by all specialists. No. 1 is a hive arranged for comb honey with two supers, each containing 24 one pound section boxes, thus saving a surplus capacity of 48 pounds. The brood chamber contains eight of the standard frames. Hive No. 2 is simply two brood chambers, the upper set of frames used for extracting honey.

A Handy Device. In making a husking horse an Ohio Farmer correspondent employs a pair of old wheels of convenient size, an



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News and Notes. At the recent meeting of the American Pomological society the committee on new native fruits reported as among the most promising kinds: Apples, the Canajoharie, Pride of the Hudson, Koffman's June and the Pride of Tennessee; peaches, the Worcester, Evans says a Rural New Yorker correspond- and Dewey; grapes, Brown's Seedling and the Charlton; strawberries, the Gibson, Seaford and Hall; the blackcap

raspberry, Evans. From all sections of the commercial onion belt fine and exceptionally heavy yields are reported, and the onion crop as a whole rates as one of the biggest ever harvested. Some of the authorities claim that

the apple crop is about one-third of a full crop.

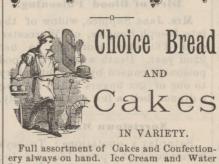


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