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THE SAILOR MAN.

I was sthrollin along in an Irish city That hasn't its aquil the world around For the air that is sweet an the girls that are

Light on their feet now they passed me an sped, Give you me word, give you me word! Every girl had a turn o' the head Just like a bird, just like a bird! An the lashes so thick round their beautiful eyes Shinin to tell ye 'twas fair time o' day wi

och, man alive, but it's little ye know

That never was there, never was there! look where ye like for them; long may ye go-What do I care? What do I care? Plenty as blackberries, where will ye find

Only just there where they grow, d'ye mind, Long, long away, an, no matther how far,

'Tis the girls that I miss, girls that I miss.
Women are roun' ye wherever ye are,
Not worth a kiss, not worth a kiss. wer in Ireland many's the one— Well do I know that has nothin to say

Sweeter than anything under the sun. Och, but the Irish girls has the way wi' them.

—Moira O'Neill in Blackwood's.

THE SURGEON'S VACATION.

He Went Away For a Rest, but Could Not Stop Benefiting Others.

It was just a lazy little hamlet-a church, a general store, a score of straggling white houses with green

blinds, and that was all. self for his precious four weeks' outing. He could have gone to Europe as the guest of a millionaire had he said

months he had promised himself that he would stop and rest. It was late in September before he finally started. girl. He felt that his iron nerves were giving way, and one September morning he noticed that the marvelous steadipaired. He knew then that he had

enough. He went away with all the precautions of a defaulter. He left no address. He desired no mail, no telebought his ticket for a point beyond the railway town that was Marion's the girl, "but he is a very good and

nearest connection and then doubled very patient boy." The surgeon sat down on the wall by "And now," he said, as he alighted, the lad and lifted him on to his knee. valise in hand, from the mail stage He did it so quickly, so deftly, so gen-DINDAY PAPERS.

that brought him over, "here's an end to the surgeon shop. For a month I'm somebody else, somebody who knows that brought him over, there's an end to the surgeon shop. For a month I'm somebody else, somebody who knows that the girl looked up at the kindly face in surprise. She saw the large somebody else, somebody who knows white hand of the stranger pass softly HENRY YOST, News Agent,

Collegeville, Pa.

no more of struggling with human ailments than he does of throttling Thraand adown the weakened spine. She
book entitled "A Picture of London."

shine!—Atlanta Constitution.

in which, inter alia, he says: "The highroads 30 or 40 miles round London are filled with armed highwaymen and footpads." This was then pretty true though the expression "filled" is some what of an exaggeration. The med ical student of 40 or 50 years ago seems to have been anticipated in 1784, for M. La Combe tells us that "the brass

The stranger's frown deepened. "It was botch work," he said, almost harshly. "The boy should never have have gone out of fashion. The girl turned quickly.

"Then you are a surgeon?" she said, with a wondering flash in her dark The stranger faintly smiled. "Murder will out," he said. "I didn't mean to hear that title for a solid month of forgetfulness. But never

"How long ago was he hurt?"

paused and turned her head away.

"What treatment did he have?"

from Bridgeville."

been like this."

mind. I intend to see this matter through. Come, I must examine the boy more at my leisure." His eyes sparkled as he arose with the slight figure of the child in his arms, and together they passed down

"If you are a surgeon," said the girl after a little hesitation, "perhaps you will be kind enough to give me some advice on a subject that-that deeply interests me. It is my ambition to become a hospital nurse. I feel that I am called to the work. I have had a little experience in nursing here in Marion, and when they had a typhoid epidemic in Milburn they sent for me to come over. But what I need is a chance in some city hospital." She paused and looked appealingly in his

"It is painful and disagreeable work," he said.

"Yes, I know," she quickly cried. "I have thought of all that. I own several books on nursing and medical practice and know quite well what to as a dollar. Uncle Sam don't owe me expect. I would have started out for myself months ago if it hadn't been for Artie there. He needs constant care, and, while my stepmother-my father died last winter-is very kind to him, I did not think it right to put all this burden on her shoulders. But the desire to go grows stronger and stronger every day."

The stranger's eyes sparkled again at her eagerness. "It looks to me now," he said quite gravely, "as if there would soon be a chance to prove your capabilities. If you come out of the ordeal in a satisfactory manner, I think I can safely promise you a berth in the big hospital to carry a glass of quince jelly to nection." young Joe Patchen, just back from the

"Oh, thank you, sir!" she cried. "And what is the ordeal?" The stranger looked down at the face of the crippled lad.

"The little chap is asleep," he softly said, "With your permission I mean to straighten this tortured back and this ugly shoulder. I mean to undo the mischief wrought by well meaning ignorance. I mean that this little fellow went up to his cozy bedroom and shall walk through life as straight and upright as God intended he should."

The girl's eyes dilated. "And you will do this?" she mur nured in an awed tone. "With your permission and a certain amount of your assistance," the stranger smilingly said.

"My assistance!" she repeated. "Yes. I have no acquaintances here He awoke toward dusk feeling rather and I will need some help. Do you ashamed of his long sleep. And yet think you have the nerve to stand by only a few hours later he found he

was quite ready for the all night "I will try," she simply answered. Three days later a square, leather covered box of considerable size was brought over on the stage from the nearest railway station. The surgeon sat up late that night examining and arranging its contents. Then he went to bed and slept like a healthy child. The first thing he did when he arose in the morning was to stretch out his long, white hands and stare at them.

"Steady as the eternal rocks," he said, with a pleased smile. Two hours later he made his appearance at the door of the little cottage, valise in hand, where the dark eyed girl eagerly awaited him.

"Artie awoke in capital spirits," she whispered, "and my stepmother has gone to spend the day at a neighbor's, and everything that you ordered is ready.

"Good," he said, with an admiring glance at her eager face and trim, alert

Then he went in and closed the outer The great surgeon frowned and hurried forward. Just as he was about to girl walked with the great surgeon to the gate. She was very pale, and there were tears in her eyes.

"Those wonderful, wonderful hands," she murmured. "So swift, so steady, He smiled down at her like a pleased

"I make it a practice never to flatter my assistants," he said, "but I will say to you confidentially that the hospital berth is yours whenever you choose to call for it." He stopped her thanks with a quick gesture as he went on a little more gravely. "It certainly was a beautiful operation, and we may both feel proud of it. Our plastered and harnessed and jacketed little patient ought to be on the highway to recovery in a month's time. Then you can safely leave him. Meanwhile you will have to put up with a daily call

from the surgeon in charge. A cloud crossed the girl's face. "But you always were a fool about "But the-the bill for your services, sir," she murmured. "How are we to children," he growled to his reflection

pay that?" "I admire your frankness, my dear," laughed the surgeon. "But chase that troubled look from your eyes. When I than have missed it. Goodby!" And the great surgeon walked briskly down the road quite unconscious that a pair of worshiping eyes followed him until a swift rush of grateful tears blurred him from their sight.

Three weeks later, as he sat in the ly muttered to himself:

land Plain Dealer. In 1784 M. La Combe published a great many things in this vale of sun-

saw a frown replace the kindly smile. "Three years," said the girl. "He is 11 now. It was a runaway. He and our mother were thrown from the wagon, and she was killed." The girl "The best we could secure—a doctor knockers of doors, which cost from 12 shillings to 15 shillings, are stolen at night if the maid forgets to unscrew them"-a precaution which seems to

M. La Combe, in another part of his book, exclaims: "How are you changed, Londoners! Your women are become bold, imperious and expensive. Bankrupts and beggars, coiners, spies and informers, robbers and pickpockets abound. The baker mixes alum in his bread; the brewer puts opium and copper filling in his beer; the milkwoman spalls her milk with snails."

### A WHISTLING WHALE

THE HEAD OF A HARPOON MADE THE SPOUTER A FREAK.

A Badly Scared Boat's Crew and an Exciting Battle With the Monster, Who Crushed a Small Boat Between

"The only time I ever was really frightened was when I was fast to a whistling whale on the Japan grounds in 1842." Old Captain Rogers of New London was talking. "It was my second voyage whaling, and I had shipped as boat steerer on the Nautilus. We had been out from home some 18 months and had met with fairly good luck, when one morning 'There she blows!' came down from one of the lookouts aloft. It was just after six bells, and the second mate's watch was below. The mate, whose boat I steered, was in charge of the deck.

"'Where away?' he shouted. "'About three miles off the weather

"The whale, after it had sounded, broke water half a mile nearer the ship, spouted once and turned flukes. "That whale acts to me as if he was gallied,' said the old man as he came down on deck. 'He's got separated from a school.'

"'Shall we lower?' asked the mate. "'Yes, but spread your chances and work cautious, for you'll find him shy.' the whale to come up again. The three boats were then about half a

from the ship. "Suddenly the whale broke water a short distance from the second mate's boat and began to spout. And he spouted with a most unearthly whistle. I tell you, it scared us. The men sat whale went circling about. It didn't

boat open mouthed. "As he came on with a rush the crew the empty boat in his jaws and crush-

gave the boat a sudden sheer to port by a quick stroke of the steering oar, and the monster shot by, just grazing the starboard oars.

"As he passed I let drive one iron at him, and it planted firmly, but before I could grasp the second he turned flukes and went down like lightning. The fight out of him.

"I tell you he went down deep, and his speed was surprising. We had to pour water on the chocks to keep them from blazing. One drag after another was bent on to stop him. But, no. Only a single flake of line was left in the tub gan to slacken.

"'He's risin!' exclaimed the mate 'Haul in slack, and when he breaks water I'll let daylight through him!" 'When about half of the line was in the whale came about a dozen boat lengths ahead. And he was spouting again with the same unearthly whistling. It put terror into all but the mate, who was forward with his lance, bent on 'greasing it.' I had taken his place at the steering oar.

"We started to pull up to the whale, but away he went, towing the boat after him so fast that the water rose like walls on both sides. "For half an hour more he kept this up, then suddenly stopped and lay al-

mate thrust at his vitals with the lance, and pretty soon he rolled over "On cutting into that whale the next day we found the cause of the whistling. It was the head of a harpoon imbedded transversely across one of the animal's spout holes in such a manner that the escaping air produced a

shrill sound. The iron bore the initials of the ship James Loper of Nantucket, and we afterward learned that she had struck and lost a large sperm whale by the breaking of a harpoon some 18 months previous. "Two New Bedford ships and a bark from New London, which reached home before us, reported having severally chased but failed to get fast to a lone whale, which whistled like a

steam engine when it spouted. "His roaming about alone is account ed for by presuming that his whistling frightened and scattered every school that he approached. He was a noble fellow and stowed down 97 barrels of sperm oil." "But what became of the second

in the water when their boat was de molished?" I asked. "Oh, the other boat picked them up plied the old captain as he lighted his sirup." pipe and settled back for a smoke .-Youth's Companion.

What Poverty Did. In a poem on "Poverty," an Arkansa

And poverty keeps me working.

OLD TIME DINNERS.

Lived Before the War.

"When the soup plates were taken off, and after the tureen was set aside, then a fine home raised ham took its place in front of the hostess. I can discern the delicious flavor right now in my recollection. Sometimes the skin was peeled off and the outside plentifully sprinkled or dusted with black pepper, and that delicious meat was good as long as a piece was left on the oone. For my part, I liked it best with the skin left on, because the meat was cured so perfectly that even the skin was toothsome and preserved the

uices until the meat was consumed. "At the other end of the table, in front of the host, you would see a fine roast turkey-if the season was winter or early spring-garnished with parsley and slices of cold boiled eggs. The dressing was rich, made of bread crumbs if you had them, otherwise a pan was filled with thick, rich batter, plenty of eggs, plenty of butter, daintily seasoned, and cooked until the stuffing was of the right consistency, and then the fowl was packed full, and little cakes of the dressing, baked along in the pan, to garnish the sides of the great turkey dish. If the time was midsummer, the turkey was replaced by huge dishes full of fried chicken and baked chicken, sometimes with the fowl 'smothered.' The chicken menu was varied if the time was ripe for kid meat or fat mutton, as it happened.

An Absentminded Man A local railroad official is an extreme ly absentminded man. He frequently forgets to go to lunch, and it is usually necessary to remind him that it is time for dinner. His wife, knowing his little peculiarities, is his other self at home. She sees to it that he does not go down town with one yellow and one black shoe and keeps his cuffs carefully separated. The strange thing about it is that he never under any circumstances forgets a business affair of any sort or confuses identities when the strain ended and the line be- or anything of that kind in connection with the railroad, but he will return

stare or an absentminded touch of the One day last summer he ran up to the lakes to spend a few hours with his wife and family. She had arranged for a game of golf, of which he is passionately fond, and he spent the afternoon playing foursome, winning with his partner against his wife and another man. That night he got on the train at the little station, his wife and the children having gone down with him. He bade them a fond farewell and then, after he had settled his effects in the sleeper, wrote a telegram, which he addressed to his wife at St. most still on the water. Slowly and Louis, to this effect: "Will be home cautiously we pulled up to him. When 8:30 Friday. Won golf game today."-

The following illustrates Louis Philippe's idea of England and the English. He one day asked Hugo if he had ever been in England, and on receiving a negative reply continued: "Well, when you do go-for you will go-you will see how strange it is. It resembles France in nothing. Over there are order, arrangement, symmetry, cleanliness, well moved lawns and profound silence on the streets. The passersby are as serious and as mute as specters. When, being French and alive, you speak in the street, these specters look back at you and murmur with an inexpressible mixture of gravity and disdain, 'French people!' When I was in London, I was walking arm in arm with my wife and sister.

'We were conversing in a not too loud tone of voice, for we are well bred persons, you know, yet all the passersby, bourgeois and men of the people. turned to gaze at us, and we could hear them growling behind us, 'French people! French people!" "-"Memoirs of

Pitching the Voice. "I have a severe cold," said the sweet and took them back to the ship," re- singer. "I shall have to use a cough "Use only tar sirup," spoke up the

> manager. "Does it make any difference?" "Yes; everything depends on the pitch of your voice."-Chicago News.

Building a Fire. To kindle any fire small sticks should be laid across each other, basket fashon, with paper below. See that the drafts and dampers are all open, the upper front check closed, and apply the match before a bit of coal is put upon the wood. When it has begun to burn well, put on one shovelful, allowing the air to pass through unchecked so as to kindle that. In a short time more may be added, then more, and

one draft, then another. who dares to dream of using kerosene to help start a fire, and severely adonish her who persists in filling the firebox to the top of stove or range. That is the way to burn out or crack the stove and destroy the firebrick. Besides, it chokes the draft, causing less heat to be given out. A hot fire s a clear fire, with the draft coming unchecked through the bottom damper. The persons who boil their tea are the same that fill the range as full as it will hold, and when it fails, as it then must, to give out the needed heat, take off the cover and punch and poke it down from above, thus crowding the coal into a still more compact mass. Such a cook has her range speedily filled with clinkers and wastes much fuel.-Good Housekeep-

She Was Willing.

Perfect confidence is desirable be woman has as fine an opportunity to establish it as did a Norristown belle to whom a wealthy young bachelor had been paying assiduous attention. how many young men had been in love

"Now, let there be perfect confidence between us. Keep nothing concealed

from me.' "Certainly," replied the giddy girl, "let us have no concealments," and, jumping up, she snatched the wig he

the room with it. him about it, so if she had not enforce his confidence he would still be bald .-

Philadelphia Record.

On Whom Was the Joke? A couple of ladies in Pana desired to play a joke on the husband of one and got things into a pretty mess before they got through. The husbands were birth to children, twins being born to one and one to the other. The single baby was transferred to the bed of the twins in order to make the father of the twins think he was the father of

triplets. Then, after the toke had been allow ed to cause consternation for a time in the mind of the supposed father of the triplets, the whole thing was exposed, but the mothers were unable to iden tify their children. One woman took one and the other retained two, but neither is certain she has the right ones. Hysterics and other evidences of excitement are in order, but the complete identity of those children will

never be established. The mother of the twins will know that she has one of her children, but which one? While the mother of the one child will never be certain that she

hasn't one of the other woman's babies.—Taylorville (S. C.) Courier. Made Them Even. "I have seen many a funny incident in knocking about," said C. J. Griswold of Denver, "but I don't remember any more amusing than one I witnessed at Friar's Point, Coahoma county, Miss. some years ago. I was in that part of the country on some business, and having nothing in particular to do for the time being, I went up to the little courthouse to witness a jury trial that was going on there. One of the jurors, a rustic looking chap, kept going to sleep in the box, which irritated the presiding judge extremely. The judge sent a court officer to awaken the juror once or twice, but when he went

to be a virtue, for, leaning over the rail,

states that if fowls are fed on boiled "Inquiry developed that the night at Friar's Point, from which the magis trate had risen a loser of exactly \$50 to

Doe."-New York Tribune. "I was spinning a web in the rose vine," said the spider, "and the little girl was sewing patchwork on the doorstep. Her thread knotted, her

can't! I can't!' "Then her mother came and bade her look at me. Now, every time I spun a nice silky thread and tried to fasten it from one branch to another the wind blew and tore it away. "This happened many times, but at

rose vine and a square of beautiful patchwork on the steps." - Weekly Scared His Hair Out.

The Kaffir's Wives. The Kaffir is a day laborer and reckons his wealth in the number of heads of cattle he may be able to acquire. He works for a couple of years until he can get 11 oxen or cows. Then he hies himself to the Zululand on the east or to other countries controlled by black men and there buys himself a wife. Ten cows is the price of a wife. The eleventh is killed for the wedding feast. The Kaffir remains a few months with his wife, then off to the

When he possesses half a dozen after what cattle their lord and master owns. With a kraal full of daughters the Kaffir must become a rich and im-

portant person. The daughter of a chief costs 25 eows and the daughter of a king 60, no matter how old or ugly. The chiefs are severely strict in their watchfulness over the morals of the Kaffirs. If one is found guilty of dishonesty, he is fined so many oxen. The Kaffir is said to be better in his original state than when contaminated with what they call civilization.—Columbia State.

The Farm Beat the Mortgage. The following story illustrates the resources of a Nebraska farm: A farmer got discouraged because he didn't get rich the first year and, as there was a mortgage of \$700 on his farm, was about ready to jump the whole business, but determined to make one more effort and sowed 80 acres in wheat. It happened to be a poor year for wheat and the stand was not very good. Concluding that it wasn't worth harvesting he pulled up his stakes and moseyed back to Missouri, leaving the farm to fight the mortgage all by itself. The farm was equal to the occasion

The wheat ripened, fell down and deposited the seed in the soil again. Next spring the wheat began to grow lustily. Some of the neighbors were honest enough to write about it down to the fugitive in Missouri, and he got interested enough to come back and take a look. Then he stopped and harvested enough to pay off the mortgage and the rest of his debts and had a tidy little surplus over, with which he moved his family back and now declares there is no state like Nebraska.-Lincoln (Neb.)

Journal. Take Care of Your Ears. Men and women have much to do to keep straight. A hundred nerves and muscles are at work all through the waking hours, giving warning or reabsent from home when the ladies gave heap. These nerves and muscles are a

sickness, has interfered with their workings their messages are incoherent, and the brain, like the engineer of a battleship in action, when the men above are blinded and bewildered, has nothing to do but let things go.-Ber-

Railroad Slang as Translated. Extract from report made by head brakeman "The con was flipping the tissues in

Tallow Pot was cracking diamonds in the tank. Eagle Eye was down greasing the pig and I was bending the rails when they hit us." It was translated by an old timer in the office as follows: "The conductor was examining the train orders in the cupola. The rear

brakeman was cooling a journal. The

fireman was breaking coal. The en-

when the trains came together."-According to a writer in a French scientific paper, ducks fed on acorns, which they will eat ravenously, not unfrequently lay black eggs. The reason is that their eggshell is naturally rich in iron, and this combines with the tannin in the acorn to produce a good, fast black. The same paper

lobster shells they will lay bright red On one occasion the Prince of Wales

Cruelly Repressed. "It's a shame; that's what it is!" exclaimed the boy wrathfully. "I can't have any fun at all." "What's the matter?" asked the sym-

pathetic neighbor. "Dad says he'll lick me if he ever hears of me fighting with a boy small-

Swiss archaeologists have decided that a certain ruin near Biel which has been held to be one of the many Roman remains is really Celtic, the only one of the kind in the country.

Plaster and Sound. Professor Nussbaum of Hanover has discovered that the plastering in the walls seriously affects the acoustic properties of a room. Any admixture of sand with the plaster spoils the

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Till I come back to Ireland one sunny day,
Betther for me, betther for me!
The first time me foot got the feel o' the ground,

I think how the Irish girls has the way wi'

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BY W. R. ROSE. The great surgeon had come down to Marion for rest and forgetfulness. He had meant to go where there was nelther pain nor sorrow, if such an Eden existed, and he had come to Marion. For one thing, it was not on a railroad; for another, its diminutive size precluded the idea that the clanking chains of business life were about it.

Here the surgeon meant to bury himthe word. He knew he needed Marion The great surgeon had been sadly overworked. All through the summer

ness of his good right hand was imgrams, to follow him. For a month he ous speech. The niceties of social usage meant to drop his professional exist- are not so strictly observed in the ence. He picked out his destination at country. "I am interested in your lithaphazard from the big map on his of- the companion," the surgeon went on. fice wall. He was influenced, as has He might have added that he was also been said, by the fact that the little interested in the dark eyed, self posvillage was off the line of travel. He sessed young woman. "He has been a great sufferer," said

cian gladiators." al card with him.

He hadn't even brought a profession-A half hour later he was comfortably lodged in the upper front room of the Widow Gilette's cozy cottage, with a wonderful view of smiling hillsides and tinted woods and blue and white sky from its extremely clean windows. He had told the widow that his name was Thomas Brown and that he was a worn out traveling man who had come to Marion for rest and quiet. Where was he from? From Braceville, and he named the railway town to which he had purchased his ticket when he

ran away from the big city. "Much sickness in Braceville?" inquired the widow.

The surgeon shuddered. "I don't know," he said shortly and, taking his hat, went out for a stroll. As he passed down the maple bowered highway beyond the row of houses, kicking the red and gold drifts of leaves as he faintly remembered doing when he was a boy in that faraway Iowa village, he noticed a lame man approaching. The man walked with a crutch, one of his legs being bent stiffly at the knee. He was a cheery faced

old man in a faded blue blouse with brass buttons. "Mornin, squire," he said, with true rural affability. "A fine morning," said the great surgeon, resolutely looking away from the

"Not from my rheumatism's p'int of view," chuckled the old man. "Rheumatism, eh?" said the surgeon I thought it might have been a gunshot wound." The lame man had halted, and the surgeon felt that he was alled upon to say something. "No, sir," said the lame man, with much emphasis. "I went thro' th'

stiffened knee.

war without a scratch. Got into 17 pitched battles an came out ag'in sound nothin. No, sir. Mornin," and he sturdily plodded along. The sugeon smiled at the old man's vehemence. Then, as he looked back at his pain cramped figure, he sighed.

Somehow the sunshine didn't seem quite so bright. He walked long enough to win a good appetite, however, and when he return ed to the widow's cottage found an appetizing cold luncheon awaiting him, with a trim little rosy cheeked lass to serve it. The widow bustled in presently with voluble excuses for her absence. She had run over to Ezra

"Poor boy," said the widow; "he's nothing but parched skin an aching Got one o' those swamp fe vers fastened on him, an if he pulls through the winter it'll be a blessed The surgeon pushed back his plate. His appetite had suddenly failed. He

Philippines.

dropped into a big cushioned rocker. "The man's a fool who thinks he can run away from human suffering," he Then the tidy bed, with its immaculate coverings, wooed his tired bones, and a minute or two later he was enjoying the first afternoon nap he had taken for many years.

nap. He was sleeping soundly at 8 o'clock when the widow called him. He arose with a start, glancing first at his watch and then at himself in the bureau glass. He looked ten years

"Sleep is knitting up the raveled sleeve of care for you all right, old fellow," he said. Then he quite astonished himself by having an appetite for breakfast, and after breakfast he walked forth again. He remembered the old soldier, however, and went the other way.

As he passed the last cottage in this new direction a young woman came through the gate. She was accompanied by a weazened little boy, who clung tightly to her hand. He was a cripple. One of his shoulders dropped, and his head bent over it. His legs were spindly and weak, and he shuffled along with the appearance of a decrepit old man.

pass the pair the girl turned and looked back. She was a comely young woman of perhaps six and twenty, with clear, honest eyes and pretty nut brown hair and a singularly gentle ex-When the surgeon came back from his long stroll along the ridge, the young woman and the boy were seated on a low stone wall half way up the hill. As the surgeon passed, the little fellow, whose head rested comfortably against the girl's arm, laughed shrilly over some story his companion was

reading aloud from a book in her lap.

a good many times during the day. He

The surgeon thought of that picture

saw it again the next day and the next. The boy's misfortune worried him. His fingers twitched to examine into his ailment. He felt that the lad could be helped. He tried to crowd this feeling aside. He told himself that he was an idiot to let sentiment bother him in such a ridiculous fashion.

in the bedroom glass. On the fourth day he spoke to the She and the little cripple were sitting on the low stone wall where they usually rested on the way up the hill. "Pleasant afternoon," said the surgeon, as he lifted his hat. The girl looked up. She saw before her a tall man, a little stooped, a little gray, a little careworn. She gravely bowed. She took no offense at his unceremoni-

came to Marion, I dropped the shop. I haven't even a blank billhead among my effects. Besides this, I took the case for my own selfish amusement. Oh, I can afford these little eccentrici ties. I'd have paid you for it sooner

parior car that was rapidly bearing him back to the great city, he smiling-"I quite failed to carry out my vacation programme. But what of that? I was never better nor surer of myself Besides, it has taught me a valuable poet says: lesson. Fixed habits of life should only be broken off by degrees."-Cleve-

Poverty's coming; you cannot shirk; Ever around 'tis lurking; Poverty put my pen to work,

The Way the Well to Do In the Scuth An old fashioned gentleman growing eloquent on the subject of southern hospitality and the viands that were set before friends and neighbors when invited to a feast, a reporter said: "Will you state your recollections of

what was served on such occasions if I write it down for you?" "Of course I will," was the reply. "I can see such a table in my mind's eye right now. First, there was soup, of course. If it was cold weather, we had oyster soup, or perhaps fish. If it was n the midst of the vegetable season, we had rich, high colored beef soup, with plenty of tomatoes, okra, grated corn and such like, well proportioned and well seasoned with pepper and a

little onion

Late in the fall a shoulder of fat pig or a whole young pig was seen, roasted to "All along down the table you would "All three boats were lowered, and find bowls of apple sauce, green or for some 20 minutes we pulled hard, dried; stewed peaches, sweet and taking courses a little different. Then | choice; rice, every grain standing all three crews stopped and waited for alone; pickles of all kinds, potatoes, butter, honey, light bread, nice beaten biscuit and such desserts. Mince pies, mile apart, ours a little the farthest apple and peach pies, the crusts crisp and flaky; apple dumplings, rich with sugar, spice and butter: cakes that were cakes sure enough, sponge jelly and pound cake that took an hour to make and three to cook, fruit cake that was better six months after it was motionless in their seats until the made than at first, jellies, preserves, boiled custards and syllabub that i seem to know we were near till he makes my mouth now water to recall suddenly started for the second mate's them in such bountiful profusion. Gracious plenty was in the kitchen as well as the house, and no chef in a millionto a man leaped overboard. He took aire's kitchen is as much gratified as the old time cook, whose head kerchief ed it like an eggshell. Then, catching or turban was as white as her fresh sight of our boat, he came at us, but apron was spotless whenever her misour crew had partly recovered their tress called her name and introduced

wits and sprang to the oars with a her to the ladies who lingered at the table after the men folks had gone to "To escape by speed was no go, but | the piazza or the parlor fire for an aftjust as the whale overtook us the mate er dinner smoke."-Atlanta Journal. sting of the harpoon had taken all the and looks carefully after his affairs

his sister-in-law's bow with a distant

we came within striking distance, the St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

mate's crew, who were left struggling | Victor Hugo."

Automobile Talk, the cart before the horse." run the motor."—Automobile Magazine.

when the coal begins to glow red shut

Turn out of doors the first person

tween couples engaged to be married, but it is not always that the young After worrying her a good deal about with her and how many she had been attached to, he asked her to marry him, adding:

wore from his head and danced around In spite of this levity, the couple married and, from all accounts, are living happily, more particularly so, by means of using crude petroleum a nice little crop of soft brown hair is growing all over the husband's head. The man had never heard of crude petroleum as a hair tonic until his wife told

he said to the juror with severity: "'John Doe, I fine you \$50 for persistently sleeping in court.' "'All right, judge,' replied Doe, 'that makes us even on that game we had last night.' previous had witnessed a poker game

to sleep for the third time the judge

evidently thought patience had ceased

needle broke, and her eyes were full replied, "It's a royal compass, your of tears. 'I can't do it,' she said. 'I

last I made one that did not break and fastened it close and spun other threads to join it. Then the mother "'What a patient spider!' she said. "The little girl smiled, too, and took up her work. And when the sun went down there was a beautiful web in the

The Paris Progres Medical records a Post remarkable recent case showing the effect of fright on the hair. A vigorous peasant with abundant hair not yet showing gray saw his small child reverbation of musical tones. The best trampled under a horse's hoofs and was results are obtained by using pure overcome by fright. He trembled and sypsum that has been heated to a had palpitations and a feeling of cold white heat. and tension in the face and head. On the following day the hairs of the head, "He has a great faculty for putting beard and eyebrows commenced to fall in quantities so that after eight days he "Oh, I wouldn't say that. Say he has was absolutely bald. In a few weeks a new growth of hair put in an appear- ter.—New York World. ance.

mines he goes to earn the price of anwives, the Kaffir's menial toil is over, and he becomes a gentleman. His wives plant the mealy (corn) and look

his voluntary crop. He sold it for

ceiving orders that the body, with its many joints and natural instability, shall preserve its equilibrium, shall not stagger or double up in a hopeless highly organized signal service, the chief offices of which are in the semicircular canals buried in the "stony" bonework that protects the inner ear. Were it not for these canals a human being would find it difficult, often impossible, to maintain a proper balance either while walking or standing still. So long as these canals are in healthy working order their reports are trustworthy, but when any undue force has shocked them or any agency, such as

lin (Md.) Herald.

the doghouse. The hind shack was freezing a hot hub near the hind end.

gineer was oiling the engine, and the head brakeman was throwing a switch

visited a Hindoo school in Madras The youngsters had been drilled into the propriety of saying "Your royal 'highness" should the prince speak to them, and when the heir apparent accosted a bright eyed lad, and, pointing to a prismatic compass, asked, "What is this?" the youngster, all in a flutter, prismatic highness."

er than I am, an I dassen't fight with a bigger one."-Chicago Post.

E. S. MOSER, Editor and Proprietor.

Thursday, Dec. 7, 1899 POPULAR sentiment is a powerful conscience regulator; constitution or no constitution.

was closed Saturday night. The admissions aggregated 1,300,000, and the enterprise is claimed to have been a very successful one.

Good generalissimo-politico that he is, Chairman Solly must not expect too much from either the regulars or their opponents. With things somewhat topsy turvy in camp, he must needs draw upon his stock of patience, and pray the clouds to roll by.

THE conscience of the average Congressman appears to be exceedingly sensitive in dealing with Mormon Roberts, of Utah, who was legally elected a member of Congress. It will be well worth while to observe whether or not the Congressional conscience will be strong enough to withstand the jingo blandishments of the schemers and grabbers who want to conduct affairs in Cuba under Uncle Sam's

WHAT shall the present Congress have to say about Cuba?

The Cubans are just as much entitled to independence now as the American colonists were in 1776.

Those who argue that the United States government should own and control all the territory it has the physical force to conquer and hold. are very dangerous characters.

Theft is theft, murder is murder injustice is injustice, whether perpetrated by an individual, or a nation; and no amount of blathering can kill truth.

is industriously employed in crippling and killing men. The Life a compound is human nature.

THE fifty-sixth Congress went into operation Monday, with the new speaker, Mr. Henderson, presiding. The preliminary proceedings in the House included a dramatic scene with reference to Brigham H. Roberts, member-elect from Utah. He asked to be sworn in, and a protest, on the score of polygamy, was at once made by Taylor of Ohio. Speaker Henderson then asked Mr. Roberts to step aside and a motion to appoint a committee of nine to investigate case. the Mormon's eligibility to a seat was passed. Subsequently by a vote of 302 to 30 it was decided that Roberts remain unseated pending the action of the committee. In the Senate, a resolution permitting Mr. Quay to occupy his seat pendmittee on privileges.

On Tuesday President McKinlev's message was presented to governing Alaska be provided for as to contribute to those of the made his home in Washington. peoples of other nations.

ures have been reported amounting | Peace societies mean well, but they | land realized fifty years ago that | able fruit for export trade. More to \$6,848,590, against \$8,110,475 in show a lack of knowledge of human agriculture in its various depart- perishabic fresh fruit will be shipped the same weeks of last year, \$11,- nature as well as of history. Our ments must be pursued with the regularly, affording also a continu-610.195 in 1897, and over \$12,000, war with Spain was a good thing aid of the latest science combined stance, has arranged to send over 000 in 1896 and also in 1895. Yet for us, and the present war in the with the broadest experience. These every week a supply of fresh the volume of solvent trade repre- Philippines is to be commended. countries have not waited for the perishable fruit, such as grapes, sented by exchanges at the principal War means expansion, and a nation laborer to perfect himself in experiwe wish to show not only that clearing houses has been for the that does not expand is marked for ence-an impossible attainmentmonth 22.5 per cent. greater than decay. If we listen to the so-called but they have opened schools of in the world, but that fereigners last year and 46 per cent. greater anti-imperialists, dry rot will be every possible grade, arranged will not assume much risk from than in 1892. Thus the ratio of de- our doom." THE National Export Exposition | many lines the volume of business acted as an agent in securing men | give courses of lectures to the has been larger than in October, has resigned a government position older farmers, made it possiblenotwithstanding the extraordinary to go-but so long as these men go even compulsory-that young peoflood of buying ever since the be- as individuals, unorganized and un- ple should attend technical schools ginning of of last March.

EDITOR SELLERS, of the Doyles-

town Republican, clearly personifies the theory that the attainments or accomplishments of the individual are not to be confined within arbition with well determined strides. There is no shuffling or limping in his gait. Prominent in the spheres of journalism, politics, asthetics, and etiquette, there are surface indications that he is at least attempting to sound the depths of the philosophy of the barmony of sounds. In other words he has taken to music. Now, much more than heretofore, his numerous friends hope with a hope that encourages the fruition thereof, that in the natural course of events, poetry, then love, then matrimony, will follow as logical sequences of causative energy. The demolition the gold standard and provides for are made to feel that without exof these limitative barriers will re. sult in a most beautiful and superlatively attractive rounding out of a system of the country, which was circle of scintillating accomplishments. There is much in Editor and encourages hope.

#### WASHINGTON LETTER.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 1, '99 .-

The Roberts case threatens to over-

From our Regular Correspondent.

shadow everything else before Congress until it is disposed of. Every-A PORTION of humanity is en- body is talking about it. That he gaged in saving and prolonging will have to go seems the general human lives, while another portion opinion, but just how he will be dealt with is where the differences come in. It is understood that Saving Service of the United States | Miss Helen Gould is furnishing the rescued in the war against death money to pay the expense incurred among the people and next to uni- than two grains Troy. In Troy during the past year 4511 persons. by the employment of eminent versal desolation in the fields and weight it takes 480 grains to make During the same year thousands legal counsel by those who are mak- homes of the island, and the native an ounce, and twelve ounces con were killed in the war against life. ing the fight on Roberts. There Cuban is naturally idle and thrift- stitute a pound, or 5,760 grains are And this comparison presents it- has been some talk of depriving less. They have never known what contained in a pound. This wonself: The member of a Life Saving Utah of all representation to Con- law and order mean and their con- derful piece of mechanism weighs Station risks his life and saves a gress, because of its having violated ceptions of free government are ex- only one-2880th part of a pound. fellow mortal from death. His the pledges under which it was ad- cessively crude. The only liberty So great a curiosity was this midheroism is taken for granted; he mitted to the Union, by electing a they have ever known or dreamed get considered that its owner paid performs his duty and that is all polygamist to the House. That of is the liberty of license, and they there is to it in the estimation of was probably what prompted Sen- are strangers to the liberty of law. the multitude. An army officer ator Rawlins, the only Senator from Our government would have been successfully plans an encounter in Utah, who is not a polygamist, to glad to hand Cuba over to any which hundreds of human beings announce his intention to offer a stable republican government as are slaughtered. He, too, performs resolution as soon as the Senate soon as it could be established after a duty-though a horrible one- meets providing for an investiga- the war, but even to this day, with and is reckoned a great hero; the tion by the Senate to show whether every opportunity to prove the people worship him and praise his there has been any violation of the ability of the natives to govern name throughout the land. What pledge under which Utah became a themselves, there has not been a

The President has promised to appoint J. P. V. Gridley, a son of the late Capt. Gridley, of the threats of a new rebellion in Cuba, Olympia, to a lieutenancy in the and the chief ground of opposition marine corps as soon as the young that island is in the apprehension man prepares himself to take the that the United States may organize examination necessary; and his ex- a civil government over them. This ing the disposition of his case, was penses while studying for the ex- should not be attempted by the adwithout debate referred to the com- amination will be paid jointly by the President and Admiral Dewey.

life and politics were well repre ple of this country that Cuba is to the House and Senate. It is a care- sented in the career of Hon. Thomas fully prepared as well as a lengthy W. Tipton, who died in Washing- right to establish a civil government document. A few points from the ton, several days ago. He was born in Cuba, and there is not only no message: Suppress the rebellion in | in Ohio, educated in Pennsylvania, necessity for it, but there is literthe Philippines, then provide a practiced law, was a member of the ally no excuse for it. liberal form of government for the legislature, a clerk in one of the tary authority, and we have a right islands. Let similar laws to those government departments at Wash- to do so, and indeed it is our duty ington, when Fillmore was Presi- to do so until the Cubans shall Porto Rico. With reconstruction dent, was a Methodist and a Con- establish a government that can accomplished the piedge of the gregational preacher, went to Ne. protect person and property. They paid for the last half of November country to give the island of Cuba braska, where he was a member of liberty must be fulfilled. Trusts the first constitutional convention, do it for a few years; but until lieries in the last ten years, which tending to restrain trade should and of the Territorial legislature; that is done we should hold mili- in years past have been as low as claim the early attention of Con- served during the civil war as tary possession of Cuba and give 10 per cent. below this rate. gress. It is carnestly recommended chaplain of the First Nebraska the highest measure of protection that the gold standard be main- Regiment, and after peace was de- ests. Let the military control of tained. The combined imports and clared became Assessor of Internal Cuba remain as it is and let the exports for the year are the largest Revenue for Nebraska. In 1867 he Cubans have every opportunity to ever shown by a single year in all was elected for a two year term in carve out a government for themour history. Our exports for 1899 the U.S. Senate by the Nebraska alone exceeded by more than a bil. legislature, and later was elected lion dollars our imports and ex- for a full term. He got out of of a protectorate and thus give ports combined in 1870, showing touch with his party by supporting security to person and property, the enlarged capacity of the United Greeley in '72, and retired from and afford the best possible oppor-States to satisfy the wants of its public life at the close of his full own increasing population, as well term in the Senate, and had since

Senator Stewart, of Nevada, like Senator Morgan, of Ala., believes FROM Dun's Review, Saturday : that wars are a good thing for the Business continues wonderfully large, prosperous and healthy. As the detailed statement of failures by branches of business cannot be larged by branches of busi

faults to business payments was Officials as well as other indi- cated scientists, made elementary \$2 57 in \$1,000 for November, 1895, viduals know that men are leaving agriculture a compulsory subject in and \$2 75 for 1896, and \$2.15 for the U.S. every day that a European the curricula of the common FSTATE NOTICE. 1897, but \$1.25 for 1898, and only steamer sails, bound for South schools, sent out traveling instruc-90 cents in \$1,000 for 1899. In Africa-one Washington man who tors to confer with and advise and armed, this government has no at odd hours of the day or evening, more authority to stop them than it and even tempted them to pass a has to stop any other passengers on serious examination in their reforeign bound steamers, however spective studies by the offer of a strong the suspicion may be that valuable prize as the reward of sucthey are going to fight either for cess. It is said that Charles Dickthe English or the Boers. This ens once made a speech at an agritrary limitations, and he advances government is living up to its proalong the line of progressive evolu- clamation of neutrality and will what derisively said that "the field continue to do so.

together pleased with the financial correct. The farmer needs scienbill prepared by the House republi- entfic education. The best civilcan caucus committee, which has been made public, and which is certain to be put through the House right away, but which is not likely European governments to prevent to have such smooth sailing in the their agricultural classes from con-Senate, although it will probably eventually pass the Senate after being amended, notwithstanding province of Ekaterinoslav, by the doubts expressed by Senators. The generous appliances for special radical gold men object to the bill because it does not go far enough to suit them. It merely establishes its maintenance. They wished it pert teaching a man cannot succeed to rearrange the entire financial further than the President and of his fields. the leaders of his party were will-Sellers that deserves admiration ing to go on the eve of a Presidential campaign. The silver men are also dissatisfied because the bill does not go far enough; they wished the republicans to thoroughly commit themselves in the bill, by including a clause for the retirement of the greenbacks. The the New York Herald. Ingenuity bill is exactly what the President and human skill have been brought wished it to be, as will be seen when his annual message to Congress, now finished and ready to go

#### in, is made public. HOW TO GOVERN CUBA.

From Philadelphia Times.

State. Mr. Rawlins asserts that single step taken looking to the the President has appointed polyga- establishment of a government of mists to Federal offices in Utab, law. We have done everything and wants to know why that wasn't that could have been expected of as much a violation of the pledge us, and even more. The ragged, as was the election of Roberts. The starving insurgents were made a Senate is interested in the case be, gift by our government of nearly cause of the statement that if Mr. \$100 each to encourage them in the Quay is seated, the governor of new life of industry that they must Utah will at once appoint a polyga- adopt to maintain a government of mist to fill the vacancy in the Sen- their own. The opportunity for ate from that State. It is said that power naturally appeals to the amthis will result in deferring action bition of Cubans, and they have on Mr. Quay's credentials until the embittered rival factions largely un-House disposes of the Roberts der leaders who seek power with no higher idea of government than to plunder the people, as they were

taught by Spain for centuries. We have lately had ominous to the rule of this government in ministration. It would be a blunder worse than a crime; it would logically create distrust among the The ups and downs of American Cubans, and it would teach the peobe made a field for political and financial speculation. We have no

We now hold Cuba under milimay be able to do it within a few to all classes, conditions and interselves. If it lacks in elements of authority and power we should not overthrow it, but exercise the power

#### some measure of prosperity. AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION IN EUROPE.

From Agricultural Education in Foreign Countries, by W. E. De Riemer, in Apoletons' Popular Science Monthly for

by branches of business cannot be Man is by nature a fighting animal, in behalf of agricuitural education the same manner. Apples we are made until next week, it seems and when he remains too long in a by a quarter of a century. Ger- making the leader, as being the well to say that in four weeks fail- state of peace he deteriorates. many and France and little Switzer- most widely grown and most valu-

courses of lectures by the best edu- plant disease or insects in importwas the one within the ring fence The extreme gold men are not al- of his own skull." Dickens was ized and progressive nations of today are admitting the utterance of Dickens to be a serious truth. Vast sums of money are appropriated by tinuing in or subsiding into ignorance of their art. Even the peasants of Russia, notably in the agricultural education made by the Ministry of Agriculture and State Domains, united with the efforts of the Ministry of Public Instruction, In Stoves even in the raising of fowls or of bees, the culture of silk worms, the making of wine, or the manuring

Smallest Watch in the World.

There is in Berlin a man who is

the proud possessor of a timepiece which is considered to be the most marvelous piece of mechanism that human skill ever put together, says into operation, with the result that a watch has been constructed which measures less than one-quarter of an inch in diameter, or one with a face of about the size of the head of a large-sized tack or nail. The case There is trouble in Cuba, of is made of the very finest of gold, course. There is general poverty and the whole watch weighs less \$1.946.60 for it, and he would not sell it for twice that amount. The numerals of the face are in Arabic, and if the hands were put end to end they would not measure fivethe large one being less than oneeighth and the small one less than one-twelfth of an inch long. It has COLLARETTES. besides, just as an ordinary watch this second indicator is less than one-sixteenth of an inch in length. steps to \$75.00. Arabic, but are engraved in red to FUR SCARFS. be more easily discernible. The works and hands are made of the is constructed on the most im. big as \$15.00. proved plan, being wound by the MEN'S OVERCOATS. stem and set by pulling the stem out a short distance.

### PENNSYLVANIA ITEMS.

Cameron county. Some of the logs cut measure forty-two to fifty-four inches in diameter at the butt. From one tree was seven sixteen feet and one ten feet logs sawed.

Eighty-six years of age and practically unable to earn anything for himself and keep him from starvation, Michael McGill, Allegheny, has been compelled to seek aid from charitable institutions. He had lived for some time with one of his cured his arrest on the ground that gloves 50c., 75c., \$1.00 and upwards. he and his wife could not get along with the old gentleman. The Magistrate dismissed Mr. McGill, and he has been hunting for assistance

Two thousand employes of the collieries in Shenandoah and vicinthe announcement that four per cent. above the schedule would be months, or they may not be able to is the best wages paid at the col-

### American Fruits at the Paris

Exposition. Under the supervision of the Division of Pomology of the Department of Agriculture, arrangements are being perfected whereby the exhibition of fresh fruits from this country to the Paris Exposition next year will be the most tunity for the Cubans to regain effective and elaborate ever attempted. Mr. W. T. Taylor, Assistadt Chief of the Division, recently had this to say of the preparations already made: "At Paris there will be 250 barrels of choice American apples in cold storage,

ous exhibit. California, for in-

America can produce the finest fruit ing our fruits for general use."

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 granted to the undersigned, and that all persons indebted to the estate are requested to make prompt settlement and those having claims against the same to present them without delay to

SUSAN SMITH, Administratrix,

her attorney Arcola, Pa. Geo. W. Zimmerman, Collegeville, Pa.

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the guarantee must be broad and up to its work. Should the stove fail, bring it back. This year has noticed a very high advance in the prices of stoves. Come in and read the prices on ours. You will find them the same as last year's.

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The fad of the season is scarfs, every woman wants one. They are here in all the inest tempered steel and are set | new novelties of the season in many different throughout in diamond chips. It sorts of furs. Prices as little as 75c. and as

Of course they are just right or they would not be here. They were bought by us under price and they are being sold underprice. Made by a well known firm that i Eight million feet of pine logs retiring from business. That's why they are are being cut along Salt Run, in here at such unusual prices. Nothing about them that is not best. Collars made b hand and put on by hand. That's why they fit better than most ready-made coats. At every price buyers here save from \$2.00 to \$5.00, 3.00, \$4.50, \$7.50 and upwards.

### MEN'S GLOVES.

Gloves for every use-for work, for dress and for comfort. The strongest as well as the dressiest gloves are here at all prices. The greatest glove business done in this section is done here and we don't protities and buy them cheaper than most stores, and sell them cheaper, too. Working sons, but on Fridey this son had se- gloves 25c., 50c., 75c. and upwards. Dress

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More than fifty feet of shelving crowded with good warm underwear that will protect wearers from the chilly blasts of winter. ect wearers from the chilly blasts of winter.

Infants' Silk Caps, Iderdown Saques,
Knit Saques, and Socks, at various prices;
also a nice line of Infants' Long and Short Underwear in wool and in cotton and in a serviceable as it contains the warmth of ity were much pleased last week by wool and the wearing qualities of cotton. Cotton Underwear 35c and 50c. Woolen Underwear \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50 and upwards.

> R. Morgan Root, 221 High St., Pottstown.

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I will use nothing but the best material and will allow nothing to pass out but what so done in a workmanlike manner. Prices reasonable. Patronage solicited and exchanged. L. H. INGRAM, Collegeville, Pa

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Department of Music.

THEODORE F. MEIER, DIRECTOR.

### BE EARLY.

CHRISTMAS is almost here. At first thought it seems quite a long way off, but it is only a few weeks. Last year when you put off buying Christmas Gifts until the last day or two, you promised yourself that you would never do it again. Its always a crowd and rush and jam at that time. The best goods have been handled and sorted over until only the least desirable stock remains. There is no better time of the year than now to select Christmas Gifts. New stock coming in every day. You can take your time to look and think and decide. Let me show you some of my holiday goods. They are worth seeing.

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# At the Old Market House,

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Remember, we make the sale, you make the prices. Don't miss this sale.

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Which Will Lead

To Common Sense

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Dry Goods have advanced in whole sale prices and are still going up.

Take advantage of this store's lingering offer in Counterpanes, Table Linen, Blankets, and other Domestic Goods at old prices.

We have some early buying in Dress Goods at old prices, too. These admonitions apply with equal force to our full line of JACKETS, FUR COLLARETTES and CAPES.

### -: MORGAN WRIGHT :-

Keystone Dry Goods Store,

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WOOL UNDER WEAR

# Men's Natural Wool Shirts and Drawers,

Ladies' White Wool Vests and Pants, 50c

Children's Vests and Pants, Natural wool from 25c. up, according to size Men's Heavy Fleeced-lined Shirts and Ladies' Heavy Cotton-ribbed Vests and

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Skating Caps, 25 and 50c. each, perfect

A full line of Hosiery, both Cotton and Gloves and Mittens for all.

Linings, Braids. Binding S. H. M., Telegram, Brush Binding and Shirt Braids, Muslins, Lawns, Ticking, Flannels, Shaker Flannels, Outing Flannel, and Princess Flannel.

Ready-made Wrappers and Underwear, Black and Fancy Sattine Shirts, Corsets, Bustles, Shields, and all small notions. Pretty Plaid Goods for 121/2c. per yard. Just the place to find a good assortment f Gents' Furnishings, the latest in Shirts, collars and Ties.

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ALL THE FALL AND WINTER STYLES, are now ready.

I have a large stock and sell with one profit; as I

L. M. LOWNES,

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cents. Also special bargain in Outing yard, really worth 50c. A new lot of Ribbon Velvet and Dress Trimmings in silk and worsted. A new lot of Bed Ticking, the strongest you have ever seen, 13c. a yard.

our 11/4 Double White Blankets at 71c. a We have some extra bargains for you this pair; cannot last long. Children's Mittens week in Dress Plaids, the 15c. kind for 121/2 at 8, 12 and 18c. a pair; it is cold on their little hands now. We have a nice article in Flannel at 5c. a yard. A large lot of Vel- Ladies' Fascinators, price 22c. We have an veteens in all the bright colors at 371/2c. a extra bargain in Men's Flannel Underwear,

This is Headquarters for Santa Claus, and strongest you have ever seen, 13c. a yard. We invite all the little ones to come and see We still have a good bargain in blankets; what he has in store for them.



# Fall Style Hats

All the Latest Styles in Soft and Stiff Hats at Manufacturers

STIFF HATS. - \$1.00 UP. Full Line of Boys' and Children's Hats

TRACEY, the Hatter, 38 Main St., Norristown.

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With Choice Goods That Will Please Buyers.

Ten (10) styles of Dress Plaids, all new patterns, 12c. yard.

Outing Flannels, - - Shaker Flannels, and All-wool Flannels. A Special drive in Ladies'

Flannel Skirting, at 10c. yd. Zaza Quilting in different styles. Cotton and Wool Bed Blankets, all prices

Some rare bargains in 5 A Horse Blankets and Chase Robes.

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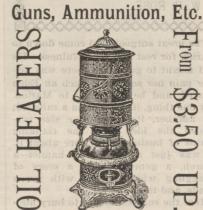
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Paints, Oils, Varnishes, Glass, Putty, Brushes, etc. BICYCLES, Bicycle Sundries, Electrical Supplies, Incubators, etc., it will be to your interest to examine my stock before making your purchases. I have the agency for the

Syracuse Plows. Peerless Incubators and Brooders have no superior, and can be seen in operation at our store. Electric Blue Flame Oil Stoves for cooking are perfect. Vapor and gasoline stoves of the best makes, and can be had here at the right prices.

A nice line of Spalding's Sporting Goods, fishing tackle, etc. Blacksmiths' Supplies.

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pumps, locks, guns, bicycles, etc. Lawn Mowers, Scissors and Saws sharp-ened and Keys fitted. Bicycles built to order and parts of every description supplied. Wheels cut down and re-enameled; Tires vulcanized. Repairs guaranteed at prices you can afford to pay.

invite continued patronage. GEORGE F. CLAMER

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Goods at prices based upon a fair exchange of values, as well as at special bargain figures. A dollar will go a long way here.

Supplied with Goods that You

will Need from Time to Time.

In the Lines of Dry Goods and Notions You will find lovely Dress Patterns, Heavy Outing Flannel Skirts, 29c. each. Fancy

Ginghams, Gloves, Mittens, Suspenders,

## Our Boot and Shoe Trade

Is moving right along. Good stock passed over the counters at the right prices.

# FINEST GROCERIES:

Seeded and Seedless Raisins, Currants, Citron, Orange and Lemon Peel, New Orleans Molasses, very best Syrup 40c. gal., Baking Syrup 5 and 8c. qt., strictly Home-Wilson Bone Mills. Crushed Oyster Shells made Mince Meat 12c.lb., nice large Prunes 5c. lb., can corn 4 for 25c., xxxx Lozenge Sugar for making candy, English Walnuts, Almonds, Dates, Figs, 10c. lb., Cranberries. We have a few bushel sacks of Fine Salt at

25c., worth 50c. bushel. Confectionery always fresh. Lowney's Best Chocolates, Candy Toys

Oc. lb., Mixtures 7c. to 25c. lb. W. P. FENTON,

# Buy Your SHOES NOW

SAVE MONEY We laid in a large stock and are selling all

8 Styles Wom. Butt, and Lace Shoes, \$1.50 2.00 2.50 3.00 C. D. E. E.E. wide.

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You'll not be up-to-date until you see KUDER-

about fitting up your carriage. He Does It Right. The Steel Band and the Best Rubber. Talk to KUDER; stop him on the street. He's always ready, and you won't Thankful to the public for past favors, I regret the cost.

Marshall and Church Sts., Norristown.

All fox hunting on my premises for-bidden under penalty of the law.

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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 to which all are invited. Memorial at 3.30 p. m; during the winter and spring at 10.45 a. m. Sunday School service at 2.30. Holy Communion on the first Sunday in the month. All welcome. Benj. J. Douglass,

St. Luke's Reformed Church, Trappe, Rev. 8. L. Messinger, pastor. Sunday School at 9 a. m. Preaching every Sunday at 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Prayer meetings: Junior En- as soon as the license can be transdeavor, Sunday, 2.30 p. m. Y.P.S.C.E., Sunday, ferred. The hotel is over a hundred Norristown Monday forenoon. 6.30 p. m. Congregational, Wednesday, 7.30 p. m. Singing class, Monday, 7.30 p. m. Catechetical class, Saturday, 2.30 p.m. All are cordially invited to attend the services.

Evansburg M. E. Church, Rev. D. C. Kanffman, pastor. Prayer meeting this (Thursday) ough, accompanied by Henry Longevening, at 8 o'clock, at the home of Mrs. Susan Rosenberger and Miss Lizzie Peters, near Yerkes. Sunday: Sunday School, 9.30 a. m. Epworth League, 7.30 p. m. Preaching at 10.30 pects to remain in the sunny South a. m. and 8 p. m. Morning subject, "The Christian Soldier." Evening subject, "Indi- and he may favor the readers of the vidual Responsibility."

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,

Augustus Lutheran Church services next On Saturday, at 2.30, regular meeting of Pastor's Aid Society. On Friday evening, at 7 coffee. The child died in terrible event will be a pleasurable one. The o'clock, practice with Christmas music. Trinity Church .- Wednesday evening, prayer service, 7.30 o'clock. Saturday afternoon, cate-

chetics, 1.30 o'clock. Sunday: Sunday School 9 a. m.; preaching, at 10 o'clock; the Junior C. E. prayer service at 2 p. m.; the Y. P. S. C. E. prayer service, J. Alexander leader, at 7 p. m., and the Monthly Misslonary meeting in church auditorium, three addresses by ladies, at 8 p. m. The pastor will conduct a preaching service in the Skippackville church Sunday evening at ing an open house was held at all Smith formerly of Collegeville 6.45 o'elock.

#### HOME AND ABROAD.

-Goosebones white,

-Or, goosebones any other color, -An instalment of winter temperature came along in ample time.

this side of Christmastide. -But, be the weather as it may,

day evening. -Enterprises in charge of the ladies deserve patronage every time. -The revival services at the

United Evangelical church, Trappe,

continue, and the attendance is good. -John K. Schwenk has pur chased the store property at Providence Square. Mr. Schwenk has occupied the premises for some time.

-H. U. Wismer, dealer in milk and farm produce, furnished turkeys for a number of Thanksgiving 13th inst. The concert will be by dinners about town, and he is pre- the Ladies New Century Quartet, pared to fill orders for Christmas of Philadelphia, and a first-class and New Year.

-During the season just past Joseph H. Willauer, of Skippack, seat in Masonic Hall, Phoenixville, husked 1200 shocks of corn.

-The colored people of West Chester have begun to demand teachers of their own race in the public schools of that town.

-Steam railway companies operating in Pennsylvania have, according to the annual report of the Bureau of Railways, 10,308.95 miles

of road. -The Bethlehem Steel Company | the 24th inst. has concentrated all its offices at the works in South Bethlehem and serves luncheon to 600 employes at

noon daily. -There are 3000 more miners wanted in Schuylkill county be-

cause of the big demand for coal. -The regular quarterly meeting of Pomona Grange No. 8, of Mont-

gomery county, will be held at Ironbridge to-day. a director of the First National ler. D. D., and J. H. Hendricks, D.

Bank of Conshohocken, succeeding D., of Collegeville, were in attenhis father, the late Frederick Light. dance. Dr. Spangler read a well -The Dunkards of this county

are collecting funds to be sent to the starving people in India.

\$35,000 ice and cold storage plant ary 8, 1900. in Phœnixville.

-Ruth Green, a 3-year-old child, was burned to death at Shintown, Pa., Saturday. She was playing in the yard, when her clothing caught fire from a brush pile.

this month. The project of raising \$100,000

for securing the new steel mill for Pottstown is progressing favorably. More than half this amount has aiready been subscribed.

two thoroughbred cows belonging | now in jail at Norristown. to Miss Jane Myers at Cynwyd, one of which he condemned.

-About 5000 new teachers are By local applications, as they cannot reach engaged annually in Pennsylvania to fill the vacancies caused by death marriage, change of occupation,

speaking of it he says: "I never found anything that would relieve me until I used Chamberlain's Pain Balm. It acts like magic with me. My foot was swollen and magic with me. My foot was swollen and condition of the mucous surfaces. We will succeed by catarrh) that cannot be cured by taking Hall's Catarrh Cure.

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Send for circulars, free. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.
Sold by Druggists, 75 cents.
Hall's Family Pills are the best.

Geffectual. No other preparation can show such a record—twenty-five years' constant use without a failure. For sale by Joseph W. Culbert, druggist, Collegeville, Pa.

A Doctor Killed on the Rail.

Dr. Isaac G. Smedley, of No. 1705

Christmas at St. James'.

The Sunday school Christmas festival service at St. James', Evansburg, will be held this year in the church on Sunday evening, December 24, commonly known as of Berks for 2220 feet of the turn-Christmas Eve.

Young Men's Club. The meetings of this club are held in St. James' school house, Evansburg, opposite the church, every Friday evening at 7.30. This

week there will be a public debate Green Tree Hotel Sold.

H. W. Williams has sold the old Green Tree Hotel in Frederick township to a man from New Jersey for \$5250, and will give possession years old.

Gone to Florida.

Mr. A. T. Allebach, of this boraker, of Norriton, left Tuesday for Keuka, Florida. Mr. Allebach ex-INDEPENDENT with a descriptive let-Lower Providence Presbyterian Church, Rev. | ter from that quarter in due time.

> Scalded to Death by Boiling Coffee.

While Mrs. Frederick Stauffer, of Phoenixville, was seated at the table Thursday with her fourmonths' old baby in her lap, the Sundays, at 2.30 p. m.; prayer meeting, Tuesdays at 7.30 p.m.; Rev. S. O. Perry, pastor. child pulled the coffee pot, full of boiling coffee, of the table, spilling agony Thursday afternoon.

Firemen's Parade.

The annual inspection and parade of the Norristown Fire Department, on Thanksgiving Day, proved to be of much interest to many of the in deep mourning for the death of Chief John Slingluff and the dozen | tives. other members of the local department who lost their lives in the Exeter wreck of May last.

A Youthful Handler of Meats.

Evansburg, by reason of the illness of this county. -And the sleigh bells may jingle of his father W. J. Thompson, has been serving customers in this Fell From a Trestle and Severely vicinity with their usual supply of meats the past week. He handles -Don't fail to attend the supper | the knives, cleaver, and meat saw in the old school house next Satur- with dexterity and spares no pains to temporarily fill his father's place while he is unable to be about. Of course, everybody along the route takes a cordial interest in Willie and commend him for his display of ambition and enterprise.

Third Entertainment of Robarts'

Course. The third entertainment of Robarts' course will take place in conscious. Masonic Hall, Phænixville, on Thursday evening, December 14, instead of Wednesday evening, the one. Tickets, 25 cents each. The lovers of good music in Phænixville and vicinity should fill every Thursday evening, December 14.

The Sunday School Christmas

Services. Christmas services Saturday even- Board of Managers : B. F. Garber, ing, Dec. 23, '99.

The Sunday school of Trinity church, Skippackville, will hold its Christmas service Sunday evening,

The Ironbridge Sunday school will hold its Christmas service Monday evening, Christmas day, the 25th inst.

Ministerial Meeting.

The Montgomery County Reformed Ministerial Association held its monthly meeting on Monday of this week in Trinity Reformed church, Pottstown, the Rev. L. K. Evans, D. D., pastor. Revs. S. L. -Sheriff Light has been elected Messinger, of Trappe, H. T. Spangprepared paper entitled-A college education an indispensable requisite for the Gospel ministry. The next meeting of the Association -A contract has been let for a will be held in Collegeville, Janu-

A Schemer in Jail.

Some time ago a woman giving her name as Mrs. Andrew Jackson, widow of General Jackson, of civil war fame, visited Royersford. She claimed to be in search of one John -H. P. Beerer, of Norristown, Smith of Spring City, who was one has purchased the Central House, of six prospective heirs to a fortune Sellersville, in Bucks county, and of \$9,000,000. She was suspicioned will take possession on the 18th of as being a schemer and placed under arrest. She was afterwards identified as the person who had visited Ivy Creek and given out a similar story and afterwards decamped with a gold watch and some silverware. She is wanted at several places on account of similar -Dr. S. H. Price recently tested charges. Mrs. Andrew Jackson is

Deafness Cannot be Cured

Norristown Markets.

Saturday morning's quotations: Arch street, Philadelphia, visited a Butter, 35c.; turkeys, plentiful, at patient at Bryn Mawr, Friday. In 16 and 18c.; chickens, 16c.; eggs, attempting to board a moving train | 32c.; rabbits, 25c.; cranberries, 8 to to go home he was thrown under 10c. qt; oranges, 20 to 35c.; apples,

> Value of a Turnpike Estimated at Nearly a Dollar a Foot.

Perkiomen and Reading Turnpike Company \$8416 against the county

pike directly east of Reading which

viewers recently condemned.

The Dog Did It. ing destroyed.

Chairman Solly Re-elected. A meeting of the Republican County Committee was held at Chairman Solly was unanimously chosen to continue at the head of the Committee for another year. Secretaries Conrad Sheive and Walter Shaw were also re-elected.

Large Shipments of Stock to the Perkiomen Valley.

The Coming Supper.

Arrangements for the Ladies' boiling coffee, of the table, spilling school house next Saturday even- to encourage litigation and give the contents over the youngster ing, December 9, are completed. rise to unpleasant and unprofitable Sunday at 10 a.m. Sunday School, 8.50 a.m. and scalding her badly. The mother | The prospects are that the attend- entanglements. And we think they coffee. The child died in terrible event will be a pleasurable one. The ticket of admission entitles the holder to the value of it in the supper room. Don't forget the supper.

Matrimony.

ing Day, at the home of the bride, daughter of Abram Bean of Woring an open house was held at all Smith, formerly of Collegeville, the engine houses. A sad feature was united in wedlock to Miss vive. Deceased, who was a son of was the draping of all the apparatus | Katharine D. Showalter, of Trappe, | the late Abraham Detwiler of in the presence of immediate rela-

On the 5th inst., at the parsonage of St. Luke's Reformed church, Trappe, Pa., by Rev. S. L. Messinger, John S. Undercoffler, of Port Providence, and Miss Rosanna W. Willie Thompson, aged 12, of Godshall, of Lower Providence, all

Injured. way. A short distance below Nor- taker J. L. Bechtel. ristown, while crossing a trestle bridge, he missed his footing and fell to the ground, twenty feet below. When found he was un-

Yearly Meeting. The annual meeting of the Upper Providence Live Stock Insurance Association was held at Spang's Lamb Hotel, Trappe, on Monday. The Board of Managers met in the forenoon and in the afternoon the members of the Association convened for the purpose of hearing a statement of the business transacted for the past year, etc. The following officers were elected to serve the ensuing year : President, John The Sunday school of Trinity D. Saylor; Secretary, John Wan-Samuel Daub, Jesse Stierly, Enos

The Thief Who Stole J. H.

Spang's Team Convicted. Jonestown, Lebanon county. Taylor was located at Honeybrook, Chester county, and arrested. The jury did not believe Taylor's denial returning the team to Mr. Spang, and brought in a verdict of guilty. years in jail.

Norristown Hospital for the Insane.

hospital trustees' meeting Friday year. that the two new buildings will be ready for occupancy in a few months. For Thanksgiving dinner the patients, together with 800 mince pies. The population of the patients and 1090 females. The annual report of the institution's finances showed that during the 382.78, and the disbursements were boda, Long, and Dr. Barnard. \$331,732.96.

A Sure Cure for Croup,

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS' CONSTANT USE WITH OUT A FAILURE. The first indication of croup is hoarseness, Meeting of Town Council.

The members of Town Council convened in regular session in Firemen's hall, Friday evening. The business transacted included the of bills and the adoption of an ordinance fixing the grade of Main meeting was the resignation of F. G. Hobson, Esq., as Solicitor for the borough. Mr. Hobson presented his resignation in person, and in addition to a written ex-Friday evening the family watch- pression of his decision to step dog overturned a lantern in Dr. S. down and out, gave a verbal ex- load of coal on Monday. C. Seiple's barn at Centre Square, planation of the undesirable posithus causing a blaze that soon de- tion in which he was placed by stroyed the building. The Dr.'s reason of his being counsel for horses and vehicles were saved, all Ursinus College, for the Telephone the other contents of the barn be- Company, and for the Borough. The primary cause of Mr. Hobson's resignation is tersely stated in his formal letter to Council where he says that he is "not at all in sympathy with the present trend of legislation in the borough." The resignation was accepted and Geo. W. Zimmerman, Esq., was chosen to succeed ble horses on Thursday last. They him. In justice to the retiring | died of lung fever. Solicitor we deem it in place to observe that from the organization of the borough up to the date of his friends in Worcester township. The girls' department, chapel, recitation resignation, he fully demonstrated his capacity as a wise and conserva- ard literature and to discuss some kitchen, etc. The children were Last week no less than a total of work of organizing the borough, as day. A worthy object. twenty car loads of cattle, hogs, well as in subsequent matters of turkeys, chickens, ducks and geese much legal importance in relation were received at different points to this community, he performed a along the line of the Perkiomen very considerable amount of lahor the worthy members of Town time. Council will hew to the line of conservatism and studiously avoid all Aid Society supper in the old such legislation as would be likely

Death. Jacob C. Detwiler, after an illness of several weeks, died of rheumatism at his home, near Evansburg, last Thursday, aged 48 years, On the afternoon of Thanksgiv- months and 22 days. A wife, the cester, and one son, Abram B. Detwiler, of Pedricktown, N. J., sur Lower Providence, was the faithful assistant of D. H. Casselberry, the period of twenty-eight years. He was a charter member of Benevolent. Council, No. 25, Jr. O. U. A. M., of Daniel Kulp, aged about 50 years, lent Council attended in a body is lying at Charity Hospital in a and performed the usual rites at the precarious condition, suffering from grave. The pall-bearers-members various cuts and bruises about the of the Council, were: Samuel Heyhead and badly lacerated scalp. He ser, Harvey Buckwalter, Edwin was returning from work last Fri- Cleaver, Wm. Schwager, Daniel day night and was walking along Gurtler, and Samuel G. Cassel. The William Clamer and Mr. and Mrs. the Philadelphia and Reading Rail remains were in charge of under- Harry Roth, all of Philadelphia, at the latter part of February. The

At the Almshouse. A regular meeting of the Direc Almshouse last Thursday. A few day. visitors were in attendance, and there was some quiet speculation indulged in with regard to the probable action of the Board in the matter of electing Almshouse officials on the first Monday in January when the new Director, Mr. Biehler of the upper end will succeed the retiring Director, Mr. Shepherd, of Colmar. The presence of the new Director had been anticipated at the Pennsburg. meeting, Thursday, but he was not there. It has been announced in at least one newspaper, and otherwise, that Steward Alderfer and Dr. M. church, this borough, will hold its ner; Treasurer, Horace Priest. Y. Weber will be officially decapitated by the incoming Board, but these announcements are largely conjectural. Prophecies vary as to days of last week in Collegeville. probabilities and possibilities involved. \* \* \* At Thursday's meeting orders for the payment of bills J. T. Taylor, alias J. T. La- amounting to \$2765.43 were granted. Beechy, faced a jury in court at The Directors entered into a con-Norristown, Tuesday, to answer the tract with the Consolidated Schuylcharge of stealing a horse, wagon kill Valley Gas Company to furnish and harness from J. H. Spang, pro- the institution with gas. The sysprietor of the Lamb Hotel, Trappe, tem of illuminating with gasoline on the 14th of October. The de- will be dispensed with. The in- Philadelphia, were guests of Mr. J. fendant failed to return the team, mates of the Almshouse at present L. Paist and family, Sunday. which was subsequently located at | number 145 males and 47 females.

URSINUS COLLEGE NOTES. The foot ball season ended on of the charge, nor the story of his Thanksgiving day, when the team good intentions in the matter of played in Conshohocken against the eleven of that place. Although He has been sentenced to three 18-0, the boys speak well of the treatment they received.

A committee from Ursinus at tended the annual business meeting of the State Intercollegiate Oratori-A new reservoir has been com- cal Union at the Lafayette, Philapleted at the State Hospital for the delphia, on Thursday. The annual Insane, and an artesian well, re- contest will be held at Ursinus in cently bored, gives a good supply March, and promises to be one of of water. It was reported at the the most prominent events of the

On Tuesday evening the Freshmen class gave a banquet in honor 275 roast turkeys were served to of the foot ball team, which was a hocken, visited relatives in Colmost delightful affair. An excellent menu was served in the college hospital at present is 1040 male dining room. Mr. Roth filled the toastmaster's chair. Those who responded to toasts were: Messrs. Haines, Ed. Kelley, Bodder, Gutyear the receipts had been \$330, shall, Hoffsmmer, Alexander, Swo-

A regular meeting of the Camera Club, on Monday evening, brought to light some interesting develop ments, not only in the art of photography, but in the progress of the club. Arrangements were made by which, in a short time, the club and so forth.

As a cure for rheumatism Chamberlain's Pain Balm is gaining a wide reputation. D. B. Johnston of Richmond, Ind., has been troubled with that ailment since 1862. In speaking of it he says: "I never found anysthing that would relieve me until I need to condition of the mucous surfaces. We will be taken as a sure sign of the approach of an attack. Following this hoarseness is a peculiar rough cough. If Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is given as soon as the child becomes hoarse, or even after the croupy cough appears, it will prevent the attack. It is used in many thousands of homes in this broad land and never disappoints the anxspeaking of it he says: "I never found anysthing that would relieve me until I need to cough appears, it will prevent the attack. It is used in many thousands of homes in this broad land and never disappoints the anxspeaking of it he says: "I never found anysthing that would relieve me until I need to the beginner in photography, saving him from many of the sure attack. Following this hoarseness is a peculiar rough cough. If Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is given as soon as the child becomes hoarse, or even after the croupy cough appears, it will prevent the attack. It is used in many thousands of homes in this broad land and never disappoints the anxspeaking of it he says: "I never found anysthing that would relieve me until I need the cough."

Industrial Improvement in For the Independent.

Pottstown. Pottstown's decided industrial improvement is reflected in the oc- Without the heart's own love, the soul's own cupancy of nearly every dwelling house, a condition of things that A vacuum that will not suffice, the cars and almost instantly killed. 15 and 20c. half-peck; grapes, 18c. granting of orders for the payment has not existed there for years. A fragment echo of sweet nature's voice, During the prolonged depression A desert path without a blade of green, following the failure of the Potts- A shattered oak against itself to lean, town Iron Company and Cofrode & A whispered moan from an unmated dove, street from Ninth avenue to the Saylor's Bridge Works, there were Such is life without the heart's own love. A jury Thursday awarded the western boundary line of the bor- at different periods as many as 300 ough. The chief feature of the tenantless houses there, and rents were reduced from 25 to 50 per cent. and valuable properties were sacrificed at Sheriff's sale.

FROM FAIRVIEW VILLAGE

and VICINITY. John C. Morgan received a car

Mr. Walter Bean and Miss Etta Caufman were married on Monday evening by Rev. R. Brodhead at the parsonage. Immediately following the wedding a reception was and furnaces in repair and resume held at the groom's home below the manufacture of glass. Fairview. About forty guests were present, giving many useful and valuable presents.

John Rittenhouse, who lives near the Fairview school, lost two valua-

A Reading Circle has been organized by a number of teachers and

YERKES and VICINITY.

The Y. W. C. T. U. meeting held railroad. The shipments were and performed it well. We hope at Mr. James G. Detwiler's resiprincipally from the western part of the same measure of success will dence was not very well attended attend his successor, Mr. Zimmer- by the members. It is hoped the man. We furthermore hope that attendance will be better next

The annual Thanksgiving dinner given by Mr. and Mrs. George W. Pennypacker, of Trappe, was attended by Mr. and Mrs. Horace Ashenfelter and family and by Mrs. Pennypacker's mother, Mrs. Hannah Hunsicker, and daughters.

Mr. and Mrs. Amos Gotwals and daughters, of Phænixville, spent Thanksgiving evening at Locust

Lester Smull is now able to walk without the aid of crutches. Miss Lizzie Gerhart is visiting in

this vicinity. Mr. Adam Mensch has gone to Pottstown to reside with his sister, Mrs. Stubblebine, for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Fronfield and well-known dealer in horses, for a Miss Sue Boorse, of Norristown, of opinion among the learned spent Sunday at Mr. J. G. Gotwals'.

The following pupils of Mennon-Evansburg. The funeral was held ite school were regular and punc-Tuesday at 10.30. Interment at the | tual in attendance during the month Lower Providence Baptist ceme- ending December 4: Katie Genna- revelations of the goose bone, there tery. The services at the house ria, Alice Dewane, Stella Grimley, is a very severe winter heading this and church were conducted by Bella Ashenfelter, Nora George, way, one of Arctic frigidity, with Revs. Wm. Courson and J. H. Hen. Vernon Gotwals, John Mack, Frank plenty of snow for sleighing and all to be very low with spinal meningi. J. G. Fetterolf, auct. dricks, D. D. Members of Benevo- Smull, Elmer Mack, Andrew Mack, other purposes of whatsoever kind tis, is somewhat better.

PERSONAL.

Mrs. Clamer entertained Mr. and along with the prophecy that this Mrs. George Berron, Mr. and Mrs. winter is to be a mild one, with their residence on Thanksgiving "signs" on the breastbone of

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Hendricks, of Pottstown, were the guests of Mr. tors of the Poor was held at the and Mrs. F. G. Hobson, on Thurs-

> guest of Miss Vinnie Mensch, of Pennsburg, Thursday and Friday. Miss Bertha E. Trebine, instructor of English at Ursinus College, spent the Thanksgiving vacation with friends in Baltimore.

Dr. and Mrs. P. C. Mensch spent Thanksgiving with relatives in

Miss Mabel Wolf, a student at Ursinus College, spent several days of last week with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. D. U. Wolf, at Blue Bell.

Rev. and Mrs. A. B. Stoner and family spent Thursday with Mrs. E. G. Helffenstein, of Norristown. Rev. and Mrs. O. P. Smith and lived in a country, a nation that so family, of Pottstown, were among | willingly gave thanks, and if we did Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Weaver, of thanks inwardly, pondering the one Ninth avenue to the western line of Collegelast week's visitors to Collegeville. | not openly give thanks we did give Seeley, N. J., and B. F. Paist, of

Mrs. Allies Hertel, who has been Barrow, in Evansburg, for the past boys in the far away Philippines, two weeks, returned to her home in Baltimore.

burg, spent several days of the past | may give them the heritage of the Ursinus was defeated by a score of week with friends in Philadelphia. Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Casselberry, of Evansburg, have returned from a two weeks' visit to Dr. M. L. Cas. roads had a holiday. Some of our selberry, of Morgantown, W. Va. Miss Bertha Hamer, of Philadelphia, spent Sunday in Collegeville.

> Miss Sara Hendricks visited in Philadelphia last week. Joseph Johnson, of Williamson Trade School, visited his brother, Roscoe, Sunday.

Raymond A. Moser, of Consholegeville last Thursday. week were John D. Fenstermacher, of James Creek, Eugene Fetten, of Philadelphia, Edward D. Miller, of

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Custer, of Norristown, were guests of J. L. Bechtel and family. Miss Stella Bolton, of West

Hanover, and Walter E. Garrett, of

parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Bolton, during Thanksgiving vacation. A. C. Keyser, of Evansburg, is new macadam, until the fellow who seriously ill with typhid fever. Misses May Bower, Alma Robi-

Chester Normal School, visited her

broad land and never disappoints the anxious mothers. We have yet to learn of a
isingle instance in which it has not proved
effectual. No other preparation can show
such a record—twenty-five years' constant
use without a failure. For sale by Joseph
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at the side of the road and upset
the wagon. It was supposed at

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borough, on Sunday.

LIFE'S SACRIFICE. Life indeed is but a sacrifice

-M. B. UPPERMAN.

The Norristown Glass Works Sold at Public Sale.

Last Saturday the extensive glass manufacturing plant in the lower part of Norristown, which has been idle for a number of years, was sold at public sale to Adam Scheidt for \$12,000, about one fifth of the original cost of the buildings, furnaces, etc. The purchaser represents a number of Norristown citizens who will furnish the necessary capital to put the buildings

**Building of Soldiers' Orphan** School Burned.

The main building of the soldiers' orphans' school at Chester Springs was totally destroyed by fire Friday evening. The building was of wood, about 200x100 feet, three stories high, and contained the object is to read some good stand- room, refectory, dining room, tive counsellor. In the preliminary of the popular questions of the gotten out without any mishaps, and no accident occurred. Nothing of any value was saved from the building, owing to the rapidity with which the flames spread.

At Court.

The December session of criminal court began at Norristown Monday morning before Judges Swartz and Weand. The Grand Jury selected Horatio Sands, of Pottstown, as foreman, and John A. Sulke, of Glenside, as clerk. The Court directed the attention of the constables to the Act of Assembly passed March 22, 1899, and were instructed that they have the right to arrest without warrant any person violating the game or fish laws, and can make an inspection of any collection of game or fish; in addition to the usual fees a fee of \$10 is allowed for each arrest ending in conviction. If, however, a constable fails to nuggets of love. make an arrest where he knows of a violation, a penalty of \$50 may be

Conflict of Authority.

imposed upon him.

There appears to be a difference weather prognosticators who are guided in their prophecies by the sundry indications revealed by goose bones. Last week it was published that, according to the from early December 1899 to April 1900. Now, another "venerable" prophet, or analyzer of goose bones, Burgess Francis J. Clamer and who lives up in Reading, comes but little cold weather this side of goose hatched last spring have encouraged the Reading weather important and far-reaching conclusion. When weather prophets disagree who shall determine in adbe? The goose bone continues to adjoining cars were burned up. hold a unique place in modern civilization, and it would be almost cruel to tumble it into oblivion. Weather prophets minus goose bones would be like mariners at sea without a compass.

FROM OAKS. day as far as weather was concerned. Services were held at Green Tree, Rev. J. T. Meyers preaching the sermon. Services were also Clarence Bickel, a student of held at Saint Paul's Memorial, Muhlenberg College, spent a few Oaks. We, like many others, celebrated it in the usual way, minus the turkey; but we were thankful for life, for health, strength, and a good appetite; thankful it was as well with us as it is: thankful we hundred and eleventh Psalm as a most appropriate lesson for meditation; praised him for his greatness, graciousness, his compassion, praised him for his greatest attrithe guest of Rev. and Mrs. A. J. bute-love. Thought of the soldier perhaps fighting on Thanksgiving Day. "He hath shewed his people Mrs. S. B. Horning, of Evans- the power of his works, that he

the Borough Line.

Adopted this first day of December, 1899.

M. O. RÖBERTS, President.

J. M. ZIMMERMAN, Clerk.

Approved this first day of December, 1899.

FRANCIS J. CLAMER, Burgess. the Perkiomen and Pennsy railcitizens spent the day gunning, others turned rooters, siding with Ursinus foot ball team, while some attended the family gathering and reception given Mr. and Mrs. John Brower, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Webster FOR SALE. Reaver, Mont Clare Heights.

Philadelphia on Tuesday, and brought his wife to Oaks in the Among the strangers in town last tertainments, which generally calls 16notf. out the band on such occasions. Will Bardman, wife and family,

Frank Cresson was married in

and Mat. Bateman, of Norristown, visited Perkiomen on Thanksgiving day.

The Four general purpose horses one of them can step a mile in 2.30. All good roadsters. Apply to J. H. SPANG, An accident befell the cracker, biscuit and cake wagon near Harry Cressman's residence. It is rather

old news, but the joke is, about

cakes and left seventeen more giving reference.

MRS. LEWIS N. LUKENS, son, and Flora Yost, were the basketfulls in a fragmentary condiguests of Katie Latshaw, of this tion lay in the road, let the cat out the bag. This cake wagon, which frequently supplying the marginants FOR SALE. C. A. Snow & Co., Patent Lawyers, oppo-frequently, supplying the merchants Upper Providence. Apply ON THE PREMISES.

first particles of Leonids or a heavy | DUBLIC SALE OF shower of falling stars had fallen in that particular part of the road, and these particles were ground

ground to raise the largest and the most abundant crop of potatoes ever raised since potatoes were first discovered.

horses, examine them, drive them, and bid at them and buy something that will suit you. Horses can be seen and handled three days prior to day of sale. New York buyers will purchase fat horses at cash prices. Sale at 1 o'clock. Conditions by

J. H. FISHER, Agent.

John Bare had sale on Tuesday last. Articles sold very low, and some of our people bought bargains there. Mr. Bare farmed the Walts farm at Audubon. He proposes to go into business in Norristown in the future.

Mr. A. J. Brower and Arnold Francis were in Boyertown, Tuesday, on business.

Beckman's hotel, Trappe, To Trekeys, 1000 chickens, ducks and geese I have paid more than market price Mrs. A. H. Brower visited her aunt, Mrs. Robinson Kennedy, Port Kennedy, on Saturday Mr. John B. Dettra was in Philadelphia on Saturday; and Mr

Morg. Shaffer, heir apparent to a large slice of land, in the coal regions near Shamokin, is the guest or Mr. Charles Harvey, Riverside. Miss Ethel Gotwals, Miss Fannie Clemmer, Miss Helen Brendlinger. Miss Ada Jarrett, of Norristown Miss Emma Davis, Leila Price,

Mina Poater, Kate Detwiler, of Oaks; Mrs. Schall, of Phonixville; Mr. Bishop and Shenkel, of Phæ nixville; Mr. Gotwals, Maurice Greger, of Phila; Isaac Price, A.

J. Brower, Warren Detwiler, Arnold Francis, Melvin Shull, Wm. old Francis, Melvin Shull, Wm. Higginbotham, Jr, Albert Kindig, and Chester Rambo, of Oaks; and Samuel Reaver, of Mont Clare, attended the party given Miss Lydia bidder, rain or shine. So bring your coops with you. Sale will commence at 8.30 a. m Conditions by B. P. KERN. A very pleasant time was had, even though it rained in the fore part of M. B. Linderman, clerk. the evening.

Mr. A. J. Brower and Arnold DUBLIC SALE OF Francis were gunning one day last week, and succeeded in killing quite a number of quail.

If a lady whose avordupoise is about 190 can be considered a good big armful, ladies whose weights range from 117,  $125\frac{1}{2}$ , 126 pounds, can claim to be more than simply handsful; no matter, they are

good season. Mrs. John Bateman visited her

aunt who resides in Philadelphia,

Sunday last.

Laura Brower, who was reported Monday was a blustery day and

squalls.

Tore Up Ninety Feet of Track. Near a station in Utah a car loaded with powder was blown up while in transit. The force of the explosion was so great that, accordprognosticator to arrive at this very | ing to the Railway Review, it tore up 90 feet of track. It shook the Miss Mary Markley was the vance what the weather is going to caboose. The powder car and two

> Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. After using two bottles of the 25-cent size he was cured. I give this testimonial hoping some one similarly afflicted may read it and be benefited.—Thomas C. Bower, Glencoe, O. Thanksgiving day was a perfect For sale by Joseph W. Culbert, druggist, Collegeville, Pa.

> > AN ORDINANCE
> > Establishing the Centre Line
> > Grade from Main Street in the
> > Borough of Collegeville from Ninth Avenue to the Borough

Be it enacted and ordained by the Burgess and Town Council of the Borough of Collegeville, in Town Council assembled, and it s hereby enacted and ordained by the authority of the same: SECTION 1. That the grade of the centre ville Borough, shall be as follows: BEGINNING in the middle of said Main Street opposite the curb line on the south side of Ninth Avenue with the grade as fixed by an Ordinance adopted June 4th, 1897 thence by an ascending grade of two and twenty-five hundredths feet per one hundred feet, for a distance of two hundred and twenty-six feet; thence by an ascending grade of five and five-tenths feet per one

ing grade of two and sixty-two hundredths feet per one hundred feet for the distance to the Borough Line.

hundred feet for a distance of two hundred and seventy-five feet; thence by an ascend-

FOR SALE OR RENT. A Farm of 38 Acres near Providence Square, Lower Providence. Apply to JOS. C. JOHNSON, Providence Square, Pa,

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 evening. The Wang Tang band from the trolley line. Can be bought on easy terms. For further information apply to or address S. H. ORR,

> FOR SALE. Four genera Lamb Hotel, Trappe, Pa.

A house, lot, and blacksmith shop in Upper Providence, one mile west of Yerkes Station. Apply to or address
JOSEPH BRUNNER, Oaks, Pa. every one who passed over that part of the road thought our supervisor was experimenting with a gathered up seven baskets' full of as cook. Apply in as cook. Apply in person or by letter,

FOR SALE.

7th Av. & Fayette St., Conshohocken, Pa.

West Virginia Horses!

and these particles were ground into cracker dust by passing teams. Drivers of vehicles passing over this cake walk will please reduce speed and walk their horses through the cracker dust.

John Shull is preparing his ground to raise the largest and the

PUBLIC SALE OF

Fresh Cows, Shoats.

TURKEYS, CHICKENS, DUCKS AND GEESE. On MONDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1899, at 9 o'clock a. m., will be sold at public sale at Beckman's hotel, Trappe, 10 fresh cows, 200

tively be sold, go high or low, rain, or shine.

MURRAY MOORE. DUBLIC SALE OF

1500 CHOICE FAT TURKEYS, 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 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 sold to the highest

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 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 treadnesser and is a good single line leader. we do not hear of anyone around here who placed their all in the Investers' Trust, or the arch buncoers unique way of getting rich, located on Arch street, Phila.

The Oaks Fur Company will begin business shortly, and have rebuilt their house on the island; have made every arrangement for a good season.

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 fallingtop buggies, nearly new; road cart, plank roiler, 2 springtooth harrows, hoe harrows, 2 Hench cultivators, Syracuse plow, Heebner fodder cutter, double set hay harness, double and single lines, etc. All machinery and harness have been used but one season. About 10 tons of timothy All machinery and harness have been used but one season. About 10 tons of timothy hay, six tons mixed hay, 2000 sheaves cornfodder, about 600 bushels of corn, and many articles not here specified. Sale to commence at 1 o'clock, sharp. Conditions: Three months' credit on all sums exceeding twenty dollars.

G. W. Zimmerman, clerk. we were treated to several snow PUBLIC SALE OF

Personal Property!

twenty dollars.
HORACE ASHENFELTER.

Will be sold at public sale, on THURS-DAY, DECEMBER 7, 1899, at the residence of the subscriber in Upper Providence town-ship, half-mile west of Trappe, the following ship, half-mile west of Trappe, the following personal property: Two horses, excellent workers, one a good horse on treadpower. Six cows, one fat and the others in profit.

Two fat hogs, weighing about 250 pounds each. 100 fowls. Threshing machine, feed cutter with new knives, windrately correspeller. Deering mowing machine. whole freight train and broke glass in the engine cab windows and caboose. The powder car and two adjoining cars were burned up.

My son has been troubled for years with chronic diarrhoea. Some time ago I persuaded him to take some of Chamberlain's suaded him to take some of Chamberlain's small dung hook, water and feed troughs scythes and sneathes, 12 ft. ladder, 16 horse cover nearly new, lot chicken manure, 2 threshing flails, double and single trees, 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.

> 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.
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> Household Goods: Cook stove and pipe, dining table, 6 Windsor chairs, 2 bedsteads, guilling frames, 2 large iron kettles, 40 galantiling frames, 2 galantiling frames, quilting frames, 2 large iron kettles, 40 galduting framers' 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.

0 tons timothy hay, 10 tons mixed hay, 1500

bundles cornfodder, 51/2 acres of rye in the

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 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 porth by the Shippage great and on the north by the Shippack creek. This land is very fertile, divided into convenient fields with plenty of good water. Two wells, one at house and one at barn; also large cistern, which runs in barnyard also large cistern, which runs in barnyard by spiggot. Large apple orchard in its prime, with a variety of choice fruit. The improvements are a large stone house, containing 15 rooms, three halls with open stairway to third story. Frame outkitchen, large cave with churn house attached. Stone barn, stabling for 6 berses and 25 cows. Straw sted wages for 6 horses and 25 cows. Straw sneu, we and carriage house, 51 by 20 ft. Hog sty, corn and slaughter house, hennery, and all containings needed on the premitted of the premitt 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 H. ORR,
Skippack, Pa.

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

> NOTICE TO GUNNERS, All gunners in quest of any kind of game, are forbidden to trespass upon the premises of the undersigned, under penalty D. H. Casselberry, Lower Providence, Up-per Providence, and Skippack. H. K. Boyer, Lower Providence and Skippack. Lower Providence. M. A. Fry, Samuel Sperry, "Dr. M. Y. Weber,"

A number of new and second-hand double heaters of various makes, for sale

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It seems to have an original will and consciousness of its own, and nothing will serve it except the fullest satisfaction of its curiosity. It will wear itself FOR ALLENTOWN—Week days—8.49, 10 24 out, perhaps, but it will find out all a. m.; 3.22, 6.36, p. m. Sundays-8.30 a. about the strange change. - Boston

> The Moon's Atmosphere. The recent conclusions of the French cientists, MM. Loewy and Puiseux, as to the possible presence of some gaseous envelope on the moon's surface giving reasons for concluding that the formidable volcanic eruptions of which to a recent time in the history of our satellite, they point out that these eruptions must have set at liberty great quantities of gas or vapors, while the diffusion of cinders on the lunar surface to great distances infers a gaseous

> envelope of a certain density. Has the time, they ask, which has elapsed since the great eruptions sufficed to bring about the total disappearance of this gaseous envelope? Considering that the already solidified lunar surface could only have absorbed the gases slowly and with difficulty, they conclude that from their exami nation of the lunar surface there are serious grounds for believing that there exists at the present time a residue of atmosphere of which the detection, surrounded as it is with great difficulties, may yet be realized.

When Jay Gould Wrestled. John Burroughs, the writer, was in his boyhood days a schoolmate of Jay Gould. To Theodore Dreiser, who tells the story in The New Voice, Mr. Burroughs gave this anecdote of Gould: He was shrewd, but not a bad fellow at all. I remember that once we had a wrestling match. As we were about even in strength, we agreed to abide by certain rules, taking what we called "holts" in the beginning and not breaking them until one or the other was thrown. I kept to this when we began wrestling, but when Jay realized that he was in danger of losing he broke "holts" and threw me. When I said he had broken his agreement, he only laughed and said, " threw you, didn't I?" That irritated me, and I kept arguing the original point, but he only laughed the more and covered my taunts with the same answer. He had won, and it pleased could take any satisfaction in it.

Queer Story of a Grave. A curious barren mound is to be seen in Montgomery churchyard. Whatever the cause, there is plainly to be seen a strip of sterility in the form of a cross among a mass of verdure. With the mound a melancholy legend is connected. It is called "Robert's Grave." and the story is that beneath this barren hillock lie the remains of an innocent man who was hanged on mis taken evidence. It is said that while the man stood on the gallows with the rope round his neck he solemnly declared, as a proof of his innocence, that grass should never grow on his grave. And even so it was and is. Any one who attempts to frustrate the fulfillment of this prophecy by sowing grass on this spot pays the penalty with his life. Instances are given of individuals who have been rash enough to do so and have met their doom soon

afterward.—Cardiff Western Mail. General Lee's Modesty. A month or so after his surrender

General Lee went one day to the store near his home in Powhatan county Va., which served also as the postoffice. Everybody in the town was instantly eager to see him, and in a few moments the store was crowded The general was talking with the proprietor about crops and other matters and appeared utterly unconscious of Special efforts to give all patrons of either the fact that the gathering of the residents was due solely to his presence. Suddenly he realized that everybody was watching him and modestly said: "But I see I am keeping you from your many customers. Pardon me!" and at once withdrew.-Ladies' Home Jour-

> Martin's Way. Irishmen are inclined to word perversion; but, says a writer in The Nineteenth Century, the following description of slow speech which often degenerated into a stammer shows that occasionally they use the best words possible in explaining a thing: "It's a quare sort uv way Martin talks," said Pat. "It's as if he tuk the wurds out uv his mout' an luked at 'em before he gives 'em to yez."

Lecturer-And what man is most apt to reach that elevation whence the earth may be viewed "as one vast plain?" Voice (in the audience)-The one that

works in a powder mill.-Life. Only One Fault. "There's only one fault to be found said the dramatic critic.

with your comedy work, old man,' "What's that?" asked the aspiring young actor.

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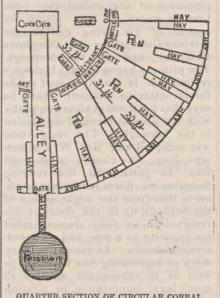
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most successful sheep men of the Rocky Ford region, who buys southwestern lambs and prepares them for market. It is stated that of the farm of 320 acres 250 are seeded to alfalfa and the remainder is used for pens, barns and residence. The manner in which the corrals and feed lots are arranged is an admirable one for caring for sheep, and it would be a hard matter to devise a more practical arrange-

The corral is circular in shape and has a smaller pen in the center. Radiating from this center pen to the outside are fences, as shown in the cut, which divide the outer portion of the corral into 12 different pens. These outside pens are called hay pens, where the sheep remain when not in the corn pens, two smaller pens in the center. At the immediate center of the corral is located the corn bin or crib. Water is furnished by means of a reservoir and pipes, which are connected with each pen, necessitating the use of six hydrants, one for each two pens. The feeding pens are connected with gates to the hay or outer pens.

Feed is given twice a day, and it isually takes three hours each time to handle the 12 pens. Two pens are fed at the same time, one pen on each side of the dividing fence, thus minimizing both labor and time. All the corn used is carefully weighed each day as it is fed. This is a point that a good many feeders overlook. A pair of hand scales is kept at the pens, and not a grain of corn more than the determined weight

The accompanying diagram shows a little more than a quarter section of the whole arrangement.

Improvement of Tobacco. Little is known of the chemical proortions of the tobacco leaf, particulary those which contribute to the flavor

and aroma. It is certain that the excellence of the leaf and its adaptation to market demands are not dependent, except in a very general way, upon the amount of nicotine. It has long been known that certain of the potassium salts cannot be used at all for the production of high types of cigar tobacco, as they give the leaf a poor burn. It is furthermore an old experience of tobacco growers that excessive nitrogenous manuring tends to produce a large leaf of inferior quality, containing an increased amount of nicotine. Dr. Loew of the agricultural department is said to have found that there exist on the Florida leaf two kinds of oxidizing enzyms, distinguished as tobacco oxidase and tobacco peroxidase. Comparison with the Connecticut leaf has demonstrated to his satisfaction that it is on the difference in these enzyms and on their presence or absence that the difference in flavor and aroma depends. Having demonstrated to his satisfaction the presence of these enzyms and their effect on tobacco, Dr. Loew is now engaged in the attempt to so employ them as to produce the flavor of Florida leaf in Connecticut to-

GLASS HOUSES.

The use of glass houses for growing plants, flowers and vegetables of all kinds is far more prevalent than it was 40 or 50 years ago. Then hothouses, or greenhouses, as they were generally called, were almost exclusively the luxuries of the very wealthy. Next they were taken up by nurserymen and gardeners to forward a small portion of their crop or to carry on operations during winter and produce more sets for spring planting. Now the greenhouse with steam heat is becoming recognized as one of the most important and best paying adjuncts of every farm whose owner has the skill The greenhouse opens a new field of industry. It provides interesting, in-Samuel R. Mowrey, structive and profitable employment during months when farm operations during months when farm operations consist only in the feeding of stock

and the consumption of a large part of what the farm has produced during the It does not cost nearly so much to put up glass houses now and fit them out with steam heat as it did a generation ago. The creation of such an establishment on any farm must add far more to its selling value than the cost, and the farmer must be indeed a poor manager if he cannot by its use forward the vegetables he will himself grow and sell much more each year than all the cost of keeping it in operation. Besides, there is the luxury of maintaining a bit of summer with all kinds of green things growing for wife and little ones to enjoy while cold near to zero prevails outside. There is hardly anything that very lit-tle children wonder at more or are more pleased with than to go from a cold outside winter's day into a greenhouse where the air, though moist, is

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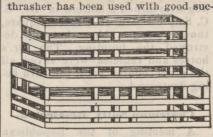
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BINDERY. Binding, Joo Rumber, Blank Books for Banks and Business Houses, given cold grapery the buds will start several weeks earlier than they can in the open air. The grapes will not be chilled at night by dews, as they are out of doors even during most of the summer months. Hence they will rinen withmen in cold graperies, where no heat

out mildewing the foliage or having the fruit attacked by fungus. In concluding the foregoing sugrestive article The American Cultivator says that to some extent the growers of native grapes are taking a hint from the cold grapery under glass.

If a native vine is trained so that some of its fruit is ripened under a protecting awning, such fruit will be much finer and better than it ever can be grown on parts of the vine that are not

Handling Corn Fodder. No other grain is so well adapted to the requirements of the cattle feeder as cheap corn, and for roughness there are few feeds equal to corn fodder. A Kansas man says in the Ohio Farmer that in preparing the corn crop for feeding cattle the common small grain



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A Timely Hint. The month of November and so much of December as may not be very cold are times when sheep need shelter from cold rains and winds. They can endure a great deal of dry cold, but when wet to the skin they do not easily get dry again, and the chill will lower vitality, if it does not cause disease, remarks American Cultivator.

Agricultural Brevities. The "abandoned farm" bids fair to become extinct in New England. According to latest reports, Connecticut's cheap farms are being absorbed, though at low prices. The acreage in the last official list of farms for sale is much reduced from the original statistics. Commenting upon this, however, an exchange says it does not necessarily indicate a revival of "hard fisted" farming. Much land is taken up by summer residents, "fancy" farmers, fish and game syndicates, etc.

The New England Homestead reports the cranberry crop as liberal, on the whole, though unevenly distributed. The outlook for prices is moderately encouraging, with the amount of the total available supply against fancy quotations. A meeting of the American Beet Sugar association at Omaha is announced for Dec. 5. The question of opposing

any reduction in the protection which the government now affords the industry will be considered. Concerning the plan of setting poor people to growing potatoes on vacant city lots, The Country Gentleman says the work has been a good one and is of promise in a most desirable directionthe interesting of poor people, unable

to make their own living in the city, in agriculture. The Soy Bean. The soy bean is one of the staple crops of Japan, which attracted little

attention in this country until about ten years ago, but is now becoming quite common. The crop is cultivated like corn, the seed being planted in drills at the rate of half a bushel per acre. The stems alone are too coarse to make good hay, but are covered with such a dense growth of leaves and are so prolific in fruit that the hay is prized highly, especially for milk cows and for fattening animals. The yield of



SOY BEAN-LEAVES, FLOWER AND POD. green forage is heavy when grown on good ground, and the yield of beans is usually from 20 to 30 bushels per acre. Those who have had most experience with this crop find that the best way to handle it is to cut or pull the plants when the first pods begin to open and thrash as soon as dry enough. In this way the coarse stalks are so broken in pieces and mixed with the leaves and immature fruit that nearly all will be eaten. It is doubtless one of the best of the legumes for the silo, as it can be more easily handled for the cutter than plants like clover or cowpeas There are a number of varieties, dif fering mainly in the time of ripening and the coloring of the seeds. Waste Lime From Sugar Factories.

The value of refuse lime from beet sugar factories varies widely, depending chiefly upon the amount of water which it contains, says Professor H. J. Wheeler, who also tells in Rural New Yorker how to use this material as fertilizer. This lime waste should never be spread upon the surface of the ground while it is in a wet condition, or it will cake and interfere with its proper incorporation with the soil. It should not be put in heaps upon grass where it is desired that the grass should not be destroyed. It is best to apply it in small piles in the late autumn and allow it to freeze and lie until spring. It then crumbles and is spread and worked into the soil as thoroughly as possible. If preferred, it may be placed in some convenient place in long piles and worked over at intervals of a few weeks, by which process it becomes fit to apply after a few months. Aside from the difficulty of applying it and the small amount of lime actually present, the use of this material is satisfactory.





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