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am the mote in the sunbeam, and I am the burning sun; "Rest here!" I whisper the atom; I call to the

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I am intoxication, grapes, wine press and must and wine,
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-Translated From Dschelaleddin Rumi by Rit-

How the Ugliest Man In the

Beauty.

Regiment Won a Dusky

He was the ugliest man in the S'teenth infantry. And he looked it. | bolo had dared to charge right up to So the men called him Cross Dog, and his rifle's mouth! Cross Dog felt that save on the pay rolls he knew no other | he ought to kill this fool creature. It

Cross Dog was in the prime of life, but looked older. He had put in about 12 years in the army and was at that point in a private soldier's career where he realizes that he has lost the knack of earning a livelihood in civil life, but halt (jab). Savey? You blink blank, still yearns for its freedom. For it is only after about 15 years of service and numerous failures at civil vocations that the average enlisted man ceases to vow that he will never take on again and settles down to soldiering halt, you stop quick every blank tempo

for life. Cross Dog's temper was peppered dynamite. He had thrashed or been kee (come here), blank you! You (jab) thrashed by nine-tenths of the regiment and was ready at a second's no-Second door above tice to begin again. His tongue matched his temper, and his face was seamed with surliness.

There was only one thing in the world of which Cross Dob was afraid, and that was woman. "Shure," said Private Sevenspot, "av Cross Dog iver loved a woman he'd be scared so he'd cuss her to death and thin elope with a recruiting sergeant." Back in the States it had been a fortunate thing for Cross Dog that he was not susceptible to the charms of the fair sex, for his personality was not an attractive one and his conversation was a jumble of cuss words and growls. But in the Philippines the world is topside down, as a Chinaman calls it, and curious things happen. And it was in the Phil-

sold and exchanged. Money won a woman's heart. was stationed at Isabella, and a detachment of five men, in charge of Private Sevenspot, was sent to the hacien
vate Sevenspot, was sent to the hacien
deserted to interfere that 1 can be desired to interf Different Philadelphia papers delivered vate Sevenspot, was sent to the hacienda to broke wishing to purchase in Collegeville and da to protect property in that region the broked up a but to be seven by the college of the seven by the college of the seven by the college of th

Cross Dog was one of the detachment. The Hacienda de Sevilla consisted of a forth after the fashion of a plantation big sugar mill, the blackened ruins of | negro who knows where the chickens the plantation house, burned to the ground by the Papircios, and six native | Dog swore, and 50 brown babies woke nipa shacks scattered along the western bank of the river Balinbagan. But this little hamlet supported a population of 300 native amigos, most of whom, burned out of their homes by the Papircios, camped in the big sugar mill under the protection of Private Sevenspot's little detachment. During the day they worked in the canefields

stood guard. Luisa, the woman in the case, for nipa shack built in the box of a two a brother an two sons with the Papirwheeled cart that stood beneath the shelter of the sugar mill roof. On the evening that Sevenspot's detachment arrived at the hacienda old Pedro was His crony, old Jose, in the next village up the river, had received a month's pay from Senor Holijos that day, and Pedro had gone to pass the evening with him and help drink a bucket of tuba. At 11 o'clock he came sauntering homeward with unsteady but cat-

fact that the Americanos were in possession of the sugar mill. Pedro's brown hide was chock of tujoy. In fact, he was so happy that he yearned to butcher something, an old woman or a baby or a lame dog. As he came through the trail in the canebrake he slashed at the young stalks and grimaced blissfully as in imagina-tion he neatly clipped the leaders of unarmed foes with his bolo sword. Cross Dog was on post, too, at the upper entrance to the sugar mill. The first night on guard at a strange post with a small detachment and in a country swarming with treacherous foes is a great trial to men's nerves. Especially so when it is next to impos-

Moreover, Cross Dog had been unfortunate in his details for a week back and had been marched on an average of 15 miles each day through muddy ricefields, which is equivalent to 40 miles a day on an American highway. Consequently Cross Dog's temper, usually peppered dynamite, was now saw edged lightning. Sevenspot had posted him with the information that native

amigos were not supposed to be abroad after 9 o'clock and left the rest to his Cross Dog hacked with his bayonet at the dried mud on his leggings and stared across the narrow clearing between the mill and the canefield. There came just the semblance of a rustle from the canebrake, and Cross Dog stopped hacking and dropped suddenly

on one knee, for at night a man can see better squatting than standing. The nearer his eyes to the ground the higher and plainer objects are thrown up against the horizon. The rustle in the canefield grew louder, and Cross Dog unlocked the safety on his Krag. Then, oblivious of his danger, old Pedro stepped noiselessly into the clearing and the shadow of death. Cross Dog waited for the secand native to come out of the brake.

If he came in the footsteps of his file leader, one bullet would do duty for two. And it is a pity to waste ammunition, and a dirty rifle barrel makes work. If old Jose had accompanied old Pedro home that night, there would have been two funeral drums to beat next day. But as old Pedro came alone Cross Dog hesitated a second and decided to give the intruder a chance for

his life. "Halt!" he cried. Old Pedro started and then in his fright came on all the faster, his wicked looking bolo in hand. That was too much for Cross Dog's temper and nerves, but he was an American and instinctively hated to kill a half armed creature whose life he could take as he would snuff a candle. Moreover, he had an American contempt for the fighting qualities of these brown pygmies and the disposition to play cat and mouse with them until they came right up to the bayonet's point. So

Cross Dog's first shot made a kite of old Pedro's straw hat, his second spattered the mud in front of him and three more made shallow grooves in his bare brown legs. There was one cartridge left in Cross Dog's rifle when Pedro halted, panting, at the bayonet's point. An inch more and that cartridge would have been the final period in old Pedro's book of life, for Cross Dog was not only rattlesnake mad, but also grossly insulted. A bare legged Kakiack in his shirttail and a straw hat and armed with a four span was according to orders. But some-

how he couldn't quite do it. So he jabbed with his bayonet through Pedro's hide and gave him a choice selection of profanity and advice. "Blink blank (jab) you," he exclaimed, "when Melicana say halt, you (jab) caramba fool, if you (jab) keep vamoosin, blank you, when Melicana say (jab) halt, Melicana boom-boom you, blink blank you, blank quick! Blink blank you (jab), when Melicana say

till Melicana malayoh (see) you with his blanked mala (eyes) and talkee ah Then old Pedro, after explanations,

was permitted to go to his nipa shack, and the four Americans off guard returned to their blankets. After crawling into his shack Pedro ordered his daughter Luisa to make a light, and to emphasize the order he beat her with his fist in the face. And Luisa, being only a woman, made a great outcry. Then she got a big bundle of split bamboo and laid it upon the bed of coals in the center of the mill and fanned the bamboo into a great flaming torch. Then old Pedro ordered her to dress his scratches and beat her in the face to insure obedience. The blaze of the that he was a fine mark for a Papircios | and are the better for being killed. Remington and blinded his eyes so he ippines, at the Hacienda de Sevilla, ing. And Luisa's outcries deafened ecy came true, for he cursed her until near Isabella, Negros, that Cross Dog his ears to the secrets of the canefield. his throat was sore and then exchanged

For these reasons, and not because he | with a soldier at Isabella to get out of A company of the S'teenth infantry cared to interfere with Pedro's meth- her sight. And now, when some young

reached in and caught that disciple of Solomon by one ankle and dragged him it!"-New York Sun. roost. And Pedro howled, and Cross

up and squalled, and a hundred mongrel dogs barked. "Shure," said Sevenspot, reporting the occurrence to his lieutenant, who visited the hacienda the following day, "when I woke up I thought I were in caust av an insane asylum, a dog pound an an orphan asylum. An Luand at night huddled together in the isa there, th' ould divil Pedro's daughmill, around which the six Americans | ter, sat by while Cross Dog larruped her dad an wept tears av joy an grati-

cios in th' mountains." "If that's the case," said the lieutenant, mounting his carabao, "you need not bother to halt him the next time he absent. Old Pedro was Luisa's father. | tries to come in after taps. I don't want this detachment to get cut up out of leniency to any native of doubtful

antecedents." When the detachment turned out for their chicory the morning after old Pedro's chastisement, Luisa was waiting for them with a baking powder can like steps in blissful ignorance of the | half full of carabao milk for Cross Dog's coffee. The men squatted on the edge of a sugar vat and gnawed their hard tack and drank their bitter chicoba, and his soul was filled with great | ry. Cross Dog's scraggly beard bristled with bad temper, and he choked in the effort to eat, drink and swear in the same breath. With eyes that beam-

> ed with gratitude and admiration little Luisa timidly presented her offering of

"Blink blank you," he growled, 'what the blink blank do you want?" "Si, senor," said Luisa, ducking obsequiously and holding the can so that Cross Dog could see its contents. "Mucha gooda!" And Luisa pointed first at the milk

sible to distinguish friend from foe. and then to Cross Dog's cup. Then Cross' Dog comprehended and grabbed the can and emptied it into his coffee, "I'll be blink blanked," he growled, "if the blink blanked rag didn't bring me some blink blank milk!" Luisa listened like an attentive pupil.

Then, with a knowing air, she nodded her little head, and, pointing into the empty can, she said: "Si, senor; I savey. Filipino, loobmucha Melicana poco tiempo."

gulp of coffee and stared at the little brown woman. "Well, I'll be blink blanked," he exclaimed, "if the blink blanked nigger ain't swearing at me in English!" "Si, si, senor," she chirped, coquet

served her as petticoat and dress skirt and exposing rather more than a peep of pretty bare ankle. "I savey. Senorita-that me in Espanol. Dam nigger -that me Melicana. Si. I savey mucha Melicana poco tiempo.'

Cross Dog choked with irritation. "Well, I'll be blink blanked!" was all he could say. For a week thereafter Luisa followed at Cross Dog's heels like a faithful

dog, much to that individual's outspoken disgust. And meanwhile Luisa's vocabulary of English became a thing of beauty and a joy forever to the sol-Then there came another Saturday

night. This time old Pedro and Jose went to a village down the river to visit Juan, who had received much money from Senor Holijos. And they tarried late and drank a great deal of tuba and also beno. And the more they drank the braver they grew, until in the dark hour just before the dawn they laughed scornfully as they spoke of the white faced Americanos and snapped their fingers at all "Haltas!" Then Juan and Jose sallied forth to see Pedro home and help him bid defiance to the American "Halt!" And to insure success they carried their sharpest

It was the early morning relief on guard. Cross Dog was on post 2, at the down river end of the mill, and it always stirred his bile to have his sleep broken just before daylight. The air was chill and damp, and Cross Dog shivered and cursed all creation by catalogue. Then he stopped and listened. The light breeze from the east never caused that rustle in the canefield. Again Cross Dog crouched on one knee and threw the safety lock of his Krag. A half naked native stepped out into the clearing. Again Cross Dog waited to see if he came alone. Another and another stepped out beside the first, and the three advanced crouching, with bolos in hand. They mockingly echoed Cross Dog's challenge and came on, and then the hacienda awoke to the music of "Wowrprp! Tick-tuck-tuck! Wow-rprp! Tick-tuck-tuck-tick! Wow-rprprp!" And this time Cross Dog's rifle had done its deadly work, as three silent Kakiacks lying there in the gray morning testified. Six men in blue stood and looked down at the slain. And then there was a great uproar, and native men chattered, and native women shrieked, and native dogs barked, and native babies howled. Only the soldiers were silent and grave as they looked upon the dead, until a gray haired little brown woman came and knelt beside old Pedro and sought to close his eyes and compose his limbs. Then Cross Dog's eyes looked down to the ground, and he was ashamed of his handiwork, for the gray old woman was old Pedro's wife and Luisa's mother. It was while his eyelids were weighted down with shame and pity that little Luisa, lips and eyes moist with lovelight. mony. Esta?"

pretty and coquettish, nestled up to his side and caressed his hairy, freckled fist and looked up at him with smiling Pressing his hand over her heart with both of hers, she said: "Me love you mucha. You boom-boom madre (pointing to her mother), and we matri-For in the outlying islands of the Philippines, where the world is topside

torch fell upon Cross Dog's back so down, the old folk pound out no rice It was thus that Cross Dog won one could not see five paces into the clear- woman's heart. But Sevenspot's proph-

to kill their mothers and fathers, blank

General Logan's Earnestness. "The late General Logan," said Heyward Church of Chicago, "was a most intense man in his feelings and his beliefs. He showed this in his public speeches. At one time I was a member of the reception committee at a small town where the general was to speak purgathory the day afther the' holo- and consequently sat quite near him the topic, but the general was deeply interested in it and finally, in emphasizing a point, banged his hand with tremendous force upon a hard wood tude. I'm thinkin 'twere th' first toime table at his elbow. So strong a blow girls of 14 are women where the world she iver knew th' ould bandit to get his was it that one of the bones of his is topside down, lived in a six by six deserts. The other amigos say he has hand was broken. He nevertheless courageously finished his speech, but he had to carry his hand in a splint for some time thereafter, and it was a question of weeks before he wholly recovered its use."-New York Tribune.

COULDN'T HELP IT.

An Old Yankee's Yarn of Better Days Was Pure Fiction. An old man was sawing wood in a

taken a job and was putting in his best licks. A man who was going past stopped

and looked over the palings of the fence. "Kind of tough work, isn't it, uncle?" asked the passer.

The old man straightened up and stroked the sweat off his forehead. "Waal, middlin tart," said he. "Sort of takes holt of my lumbago once in awhile. I don't suppose I should mind carabao milk. Cross Dog glared at it so much if it hadn't been for the fact that I had money once and didn't have to do such things as this." "Is that so? Had money?"

the time they built the branch railroad | then ready for rehearsal. through here?

"Waal, I was doin pretty well that time, and I subscribed to the stock. Kinder thought there might be a chance to make a little something out of the deal. But the first thing I of the stock. They come round to me and wanted my assessment.

"How much be it?" says I. dollars,' says they.

"'Waal,' says I, 'that's rather a stiff | ing upon the author. Cross Dog stopped in the middle of a call on me again, for that will just rehearsal is slow and monotonous to money that was jest what I had to a tishly lifting the yard of red calico that all that money I put in. And here I dinner, when they finish that play and

am sawin wood for a livin." When the stranger got down to the store and stood warming his hands at the barrel stove, he remarked upon the sad case of the old man sawing wood up the road. "That man never had a cent ahead in

all his life," remarked the storekeeper. "He's allus sawed wood for a livin." "Well, what did he want to tell such a thunderin story as that for?" asked the stranger.

"Wa-a-al," replied the storekeeper, "Yankees have to sorter keep in practice for what may come up. Jest hav' to do it. "When you drive along, you'll probably see an old fellow up here workin round in the barnyard. He wears Hor-

ace Greeleys for whiskers and a straw hat winter or summer. You'll know him when you see him. Stop and talk with him a little while. He's keepin in practice too." The stranger did so. They fell into talk of the corruption of modern institutions and of the diffi-

culty of believing those who are engaged in business operations. "Two weeks ago," said the old man, "I was shinglin the Methodist parsonage down the road here a ways, and the elder come out and says he, 'The's a big bank in Boston failed.'

" 'National bank?' says I. "'National bank,' says he, and he teous, while to the gentlemen he some gave me the name. "Waal, sir, for awhile I never was s scared in my life. I jest jumped right down off the roof of that pa'sonagebout 30 feet. Was so excited I never

felt it. "I run all the way home. I rushed into the bedroom. Wife come a-runnin after me.

"'For the land sakes,' says she, 'be you crazy? "'Putty near it,' says I. 'The Soand-so national bank of Boston has failed up, and it's jest like my luck to have a lot of bills of that bank in the chist here.' And I threw the chist open and reached down for our box. I opened it. Waal, it didn't have a single bill on that bank-nor any other kind of a bill either. Never felt so relieved in my life."-Lewiston Journal.

The tapping of a telegraph wire is a modern form of highway robbery. In the old days the method was to waylay the courier on the road and to rob him of his purse or of his message. The formula of the modern highwayman is not "Stand and deliver!" but simply "Deliver!" And he may get a message from the lightning courier which may be worth more to him than

a well filled purse. But there is nothing to be gained by indiscriminate tapping. It is some special message or information that the thief is looking for, possibly for its effect on the stock market or on other business ventures. But the use of cipher codes renders the tapping of telegraph wires of little avail even in time of war unless the code as well as the

message has been stolen. For the tapping of power or light lines the modern highwayman comes in out of the rain. He can do his business better indoors by attacking the electric meter, confusing its calculations and thus getting more current than he pays for. Such at least seems to be the implication of recent statutes.

Chinese artists cannot paint an animal without making a caricature, show a loving study of detail.

"You say the man stole your umbrel-

THE STAGE MANAGER

SOME OF THE WOES WITH WHICH HE

HAS TO WRESTLE. The Hard Time He Has When He Is Managing For a Repertory Company-The Annoyances That Attend the Numerous Rehearsals.

"The public knows nothing at all of on the platform. I forget what was the hardships of a stage manager," confided an actor to a reporter. "Repertory companies generally close their engagements about the middle of May and from that time until the first or middle of August do nothing. Then they begin rehearsals, two a day. It is then that the hardships of the stage manager begin. The whole repertory of the company is thrown upon him in a heap, and he is compelled to sit up into the small hours of the morning preparing the plays for rehearsal the next day. He takes the manuscript as it comes to him. The manager of the company tells him that there are so many ladies, usually three, and so many gentlemen, usually five, to play Maine village the other day. He had the drama. But when the stage manager looks into the play he finds eight or ten male characters and possibly four or five female. But of course he is a genius and can fix up such a little thing as that all right. He goes to work. He has one man play two or three parts; another speaks the lines of two or more characters as one. Then he draws his lead pencil through other lines. The play is all cut up and chopped to pieces, but don't blame him.

He can't help it. There are only three women and five men to play it. "He thinks he has done his work well. He lays that play aside and takes up another, using his blue pencil and cutting and doubling up characters "Yas, that's right. You remember as in the first. These two plays are

> "But he has no sooner said this to himself than a low rumbling sound is heard in the east. That is the author of the play turning over in his grave. "The stage manager puts the hashed up manuscript under his pillow, think-

ing that will retain his ideas of a masknowed they called for an assessment | terly production. Actors are all superstitious even in small matters, but that rumbling sound keeps up until daylight. He dreams-dreams many differ-"'Sixty-four thousand five hundred | ent dreams, but they are all to one point, and that is of his skill in improvkat; Melicana, dam milk. Si, I savey haul on a man, but Ill pay it. But I "Then he comes to the rehearsal next price."—Chicago Times-Herald. give ye notice now that ye better not day a veritable crosspatch. The first

about take the last cent I got.' And all concerned. It is a mere reading refor a fact when I went home and went | hearsal whereby the cast locate their | into the old chist and counted out my positions and get an idea of the parts they are about to interpret. They usucent. But the road never amounted to ally run through about two or three anything. Never got a cent back for acts and reserve the rest until after start upon another. They have 'first rehearsals' of about three plays and then go back to the first. They are generally called for 10 o'clock, but of course in all communities and organizations there are stragglers who are oblivious to the rights of others. The stage manager is mad. Rehearsal starts. The man who opens the scene comes in at the wrong place, and the stage manager says, 'I told you so and

so,' to which the actor replies, 'I for-"Thus it is all the way through the play. Each actor or actress is trouoled with defective memory. The stage

manager is mad. "At the third rehearsal they are expected to know their parts. But no matter how well a person knows his part fully two-thirds of the time he will have to be called when his cue comes. He is off smoking or telling what a hit he has made in such and such a part or is criticising the stage manager's ideas of stage business-in some manner airing his own ideas to the discomfiture of the others.

"And the ladies are always off in the wings, paying no attention to the rehearsal. Their conversation is usually about dress. The stage manager is more annoyed by the nonattention of the ladies than of the gentlemen, for to the ladies he must always be cour times uses language which is too pointed to breed respect and good feeling. "As to the study of the lines, every actor can tell a funny story. They generally study their parts in their rooms at the hotel. Of course they study aloud, and the man in the next room

thinks he has a crazy man for a neigh-"Soon the opening night comes, and the actors go to the theater to win fresh laurels and each to regulate the

others in their respective parts. The first night always goes smoothly. "There the abominable rehearsals keep up for four weeks whether needed or not. There is only one thing that will arouse the ire of a comedian more than an extra rehearsal after these four weeks are up-that is to have some of his 'horseplay' cut out."-

Omaha World-Herald. A Tragedy of Mont Blanc. The story of the destruction of the baths of St. Gervais at the foot of Mont Blanc, in 1892, is told in "The

Annals of Mont Blanc." This was one of the calamities that could scarcely have been predicted or averted. Owing to the stoppage of the subglacial drainage, in some way never ascertained, a lake was formed under the Tete Rousse glacier, in which an enormous body of water was pent up at a spot 10,000 feet above the sea level. Between 1 and 2 o'clock on the night of July 12, 1892, the ice that had

held the lake gave way. The water swept in a torrent of tremendous force over the Desert de Pierre Ronde, gathering up thousands of tons of rock and stones in its course. It passed with a terrific roar under the hamlet of Bionnassay, which it did not injure, destroyed half the village of Bionnay on the highroad between Con- | Cartwell never came to pass.-Youth's tamines and St. Gervais and, tearing | Companion. up trees as it went along, joined the main river of the Bon-Nant. Following the river bed and destroy-

ing on its way the old Pont du Diable, it hurled its seething flood of water, timber, stones and mud upon the solid buildings of the St. Gervais baths and crushed them into fragments. Then, crossing the Chamonix road, it spread at Barbizon, a famous artists' resort only true to life in form and color, but itself out in the form of a hideous fan near Paris, she was the wife of Mr. over the valley of the Arve, destroying Osborne, an Oakland gentleman. The of a Somali. Everything is governed part of the village of Le Fayet in its | friendship thus formed led Stevenson |

HENRY YOST, News Agent,
Conegeville, Pa.

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Somaliland," by Count Potocki.

blocks of stone were strewn over the dreary waste.

She Decided to Remain. "I will," she exclaimed. "I will not live with you another day!" "You leave me, will you?" he calmly

asked. "Yes. I will." "When?" "Now-right off-this minute."

"You'll go away?" "Yes, sir." "I wouldn't if I were you." "But I will, and I defy you to prevent me. I have suffered at your hands

as long as I can put up with it." "Oh, I shan't try to stop you," he quietly replied. "I'll simply report to the police that my wife has mysteriously disappeared. They'll want your description, and I will give it. You wear No. 7 shoes; you have an extra large mouth; you walk stiff in your knees; your nose turns up at the end; eyes rather on the squint; voice like

"Wretch! You wouldn't dare do that!" she screamed.

"I certainly will, and the description will go in all the papers." They glared at each other a moment in silence. Then it was plain to be seen he had the dead wood on her .--Columbus Journal.

His Great Work. A Chicago man who has written a book was telling about it the other day to a friend who had once done him a "By the way," said the author, "I

would be delighted to give you a copy of my work, if you care for it." "I should be more than pleased to have it," was the reply, "especially if you will write your name in it." "All right. There is a bookstore just around the corner. If you will accompany me, we will go there and get

it. I don't happen to have a copy in my office just now." After they had stopped to glance at some of the new things in the bookstore the author hailed a clerk and, pushing his chest out very far, asked

for the novel that he had written. "Yes, sir," the clerk said. "We have it around here somewhere, I believe, but you are the first one who has ever asked for a copy, and it may take me some time to find it. Wouldn't something else do just as well? We have a great many better books at the same used to it in time, sir."

How He Obtained Quiet. Moody's services in Kansas City hymn sheets were distributed by the ushers just previous to his address. He was feeling very tired, and speaking was a great exertion; so, fearing the noise that would result should the audience rustle them, he resolved to get rid of them. He called out, "Will everybody who has a hymn sheet hold it up?" The sheets were held up all over the hall. Mr. Moody shouted, "Now shake

Twelve thousand flimsy sheets of paper were shaken vigorously. They made an indescribably musical sound. her for the money for the week's milk. There is nothing to compare it with. One can only say it was a vast rustle. "That will do," called Mr. Moody at the top of his voice. The sound ceased "All right," said Mr. Moody. "Now sit

on those hymn sheets." The audience

sat on them. Having taken this pre

caution against interruption, Mr. Moo dy began his sermon. Managing Mrs. Jones. "Look here," said Mr. Jones to the house agent, "my wife will be calling today, and I want you to tell her that

that house we have been looking at is taken." "But, my good sir," protested the agent, "it isn't taken." "It will be then," answered Mr. Jones. "I am taking it now. Mrs. Jones can't make up her mind, but she'll want it directly she thinks she can't get it."-London Telegraph.

A Fair Unnecessary. Tommy-I know now why you wear only one eyeglass. His Big Sister's Beau-Why? Tommy-Brother Jack says

ought to see with half an eye that sister doesn't care anything about you .-Jewelers' Weekly. A Three Cornered War. When Colonel Cartwell was military a living from the lake .- Nashville Bangovernor of Norfolk under the Confederacy in 1862, he ordered the British consul to report for duty on the home guard. To this the Englishman object-

ed on the ground of being consul at Norfolk. "To what government?" asked Colonel Cartwell. "To the United States government,"

was the reply. "But you are in the Confederate states, and you must show papers accrediting you to the Confederate States of America," said the colonel. "But my government doesn't recognize you as a government," said the

briskly retorted Colonel Cartwell. the sunlight much more easily than "Shoulder your musket and join your company. At this the peacefully disposed con-

"Very well, then; my government

and bombard the place before he would thing is unsatisfactory, even with the "That's just what I'd like to see," umn in dry weather raises a great deal returned the colonel cheerily, "for then of dust."-Cincinnati Enquirer. the United States will fight you, as she claims that Norfolk is still part of the Union, and between England and the

United States fighting we shall go At last the consul appealed to Mr. Benjamin, the Confederate secretary of war, who ordered his exemption from military duty, and the "three cornered war" so desired by Colonel

Most people know of the peculiar circumstances under which Robert Louis Stevenson won his wife. But even more romantic and astounding was the

unique wedding gift he got with her.

When Stevenson met his future fate

been snapped like reeds and enormous lady-an infatuation which he did not pretend to conceal. Fortunately Osborne raised no objections. He not only agreed to the divorce, but with a magnanimity rarely excelled actually attended the wedding breakfast. There

he found his opportunity. Mrs. Stevenson's one source of regret was the positive loss of her son, Lloyd Osborne, whom, of course, the father had the right to claim. Osborne made a happy speech, felicitating the newly married couple, and wound up by offering the most original of wedding presents. "To the bride," he said, "I give that which of all things is nearest and dearest to her heart, her own son."-

One He Didn't Get. The following story of Ben Butler was told by a man who said he was

Pittsburg Dispatch.

present on the occasion: "Shortly after the war General Butler delivered a lecture at Pike's Opera House in Cincinnati. The general was well on to the climax of his speech when slowly from the flies overhead descended a large wooden spoon on the end of a string. Down and down it came until it reached a point two or three inches above the speaker's head.

and then it stopped. "The audience, of course, was convulsed with mirth, but owing to his well known visual infirmity the general was the last to discover the spoon, and indeed would probably not have noticed it at all except that in making an emphatic gesture to italicize a point

his hand struck the suspended spoon. "Looking up, he recognized the enemy and took in the situation at a glance. Without any sign of embarrassment or confusion he detached it from the string and with the remark, 'Hello, there's one I didn't get,' laid it down on the stage and triumphantly finished his address.'

Army Flogging.

Soon after General Gatacre was appointed an ensign in the Seventy-seventh foot he turned out with the company to which he was attached to witness the flogging of a soldier. The man, who had been convicted of a serious offense and was later to be drummed out of the corps, took his punishment badly, screaming a great deal. Ensign Gatacre shut his eyes and turned white in the face, as though he would faint. When the punishment was over, he remarked to his color sergeant, "If I see much more of this, I'll

army was soon abolished, however, and the future general remained in the What Offended Her. Milk Dealer-What did you say to

The "noncom" responded, "You'll get

"Used to it? I'm sure I never shall!"

Mrs. Sharpe yesterday when you called for her money? Driver-Nothing particular. Why? Milk Dealer-She's sent word that she don't want us to serve her any more. You must have said something to offend her.

Driver-No. I didn't. I simply asked

She says, "You'd better chalk it up," and I says, "We do that already."-Catholic Standard and Times. Mentioned as Usual.

Clara-Did the newspapers notice your papa at the banquet? Clara-Well, mamma said she could not see his name in the list. Freddie-No, but the list ends up with "and others." That means papa.

They always mention him that way .-

Formed by an Earthquake. Reelfoot lake is the largest body of water in the state, and it was formed by an earthquake in 1811. People who do not live in this section imagine it but a pleasure resort for fishing and hunting parties and do not know that from its waters at least 1,000 people gain a livelihood.

have wagons constantly on the road bringing thousands of pounds of fish daily for shipment. There are 1,500 nets in Reelfoot, worked by some 500 people. Taking all that are connected. directly and indirectly, with the fishing and hunting, at least 1,000 people earn Can Hear, but Not See. "When people read that armies are engaging each other at 2,000 yards distance, they think the combatants can

There are two wholesale fish houses

here and several at Hickman, Ky., that

see each other, but they cannot," said an officer. "At that distance it is impossible to distinguish between a man and a horse, and at 1,200 yards, especially where there is any dust, it requires the best kind of eyes to tell infantry from cavalry. At 900 yards the movements become clearer, although it is not until they get within 750 yards of each other that the heads of the col umns can be made out with anything doesn't recognize you as consul," like certainty. Infantry can be seen in cavalry or artillery because less dust is raised. Besides, infantry are distinguished by the glitter of their mussul threatened to have a gunboat come kets. At 2,000 yards, however, everyaid of fieldglasses, for a marching col-

Somali Life. The camel yields them milk, frequently the only food of the natives, gives them meat and hides, facilitates transport from one place to another and forms the means of exchange, which at any moment it is possible to barter for other articles, thus taking the place of money.

The Somalis also accommodate their

existence to the wants of the camels They go with the herd wherever pas ture is best or where rain has recently fallen, and on this account one may frequently not find the trace of a village where yesterday a place was full of life and people. The camels, in fact, carry away the village on their backs miles distant.

Such are the chief events in the life to pay a visit to California. He arrived law, not contained in any codex, not Such was the catastrophe of St. Ger- at Monterey in a dying condition, but dictated by any tribunal, but still at Monterey in a dying condition, but vais which claimed over 150 victims. the loving care of Mrs. Osborne and sacredly observed and carried out for

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abiding.

good home government.

headquarters at Norristown may be accelerated by the use of music by the band from a band wagon.

Four mine workers were instantly killed Monday morning by being thrown from the cage in the Mount Pleasant mine shaft, near Scranton. The bodies were terribly mangled.

deed if all will unite in an effort to accomplish something that will materially add to the further development, or growth, of College-THE measure of a citizen's activity in local politics is not always to be

estimated by the length of time he has resided in a district. For, in a pinch, sixty days will clothe an individual with plenty of authority to help save a community from an impending calamity. ALL men may be "born free and

equal," but it is certain that at no great distance from the starting point there is much inequality in capacity for lying, as well as for some other things. And yet nobody expects to cultivate the acquaintance of Tom Pepper here-

THE London War Office announcs a dispatch from Lord Roberts stating that the Boer general, Cronje, who has been making such a gallant stand in the Modder River position, surrendered Tuesday morning, with his force numbering about 4,000 men. The tide seems to have turned in favor of the British troops in the Transvaal.

hold the coming Republican Con- Senator. The position taken by gressional Convention in the town the Governor is easily defensible, of Bristol, Bucks county, is an allsufficient reason why we should the United States Senate within hasten to tender to Editor Thomas of the Bristol Gazette our most hearty congratulations. Bristol's the stuff, and if Editor Thomas' tile tilts at an angle of about 45° on Convention day, we'll simply take no notice of it.

Thus far "opposition to Wanger," who aspires to another nomination to Congress, is chiefly confined to newspaper gossip and to the minds before the Supreme Court on the of those distinguished opponents to Quay who desire to entirely rid the earth once and for all time of all politicians and statesmen who are when party lines are drawn, and will crusade. That's about the size of it. Mr. Wanger, or Mr. somebody else who is a Democrat, will represent the Seventh district at Wash 1901. With a strong preponderance of Republican sentiment in the disof probability that a Democrat will from Montgomery and Bucks. for Saturday night. Two night

THOSE enterprising persons who wished to speak. are engineering a religious census in Philadelphia would be of more House resolution, says that Mr. real use to the world if they were Macrum never reported while he engaged in keeping the command- was U. S. Consul at Pretoria, or ments and in attending to their since, that his official mail was tamown private business affairs; if they pered with by a British military have any. The world is not so censor; also that this country has much interested in knowing what a no secret alliance or understanding man believes or disbelieves, or with Great Britain or any other where he attends church, as it is - | country. and vitally so-in knowing whether he is a good citizen, one who strives to the Hawaiian bill offered by Senhard to do his duty toward himself ator Warren, by the Senate, gives and his fellowmen, who will not the Hawaiians as strong a guaran-"bear false witness against" his tee of home rule as was ever given neighbors, who will speak the truth the people of any territory within just as near as he can get at it, who the limits of the U.S. The bill will not lie and act the hypocrite to itself prescribes the qualifications serve some selfish purpose. The for voters of the islands, but the census being taken in Philadelphia Warren amendment provides that is calculated to encourage prevari- the legislature of the Territory of cation and pretense.

Prices of materials are yielding. If modifications in the qualifications not the best news possible for some for electors as they shall see fit, hoped that next year the sixth, in come for the whole country, since majority vote, taken in the mode and Lake, will be established for industries could not long prosper prescribed by the legislature, shall without reaction from the extreme be valid and binding as law. An prices caused by actual or supposed amendment offered by Senator Vest child study, graded lessons, Sabscarcity of materials last year. was also adopted. It prohibits the bath School music and superintend-Some help comes from new iron issue of bonds or the contraction of ence will be arranged. No charge furnaces that have opened or ap- indebtedness by the new territory proach completion; some from the without the consent of the Presi- for Bedford Springs, July 30th to famine in India which sends hither | dent of the U. S. ship loads of hides; some from the Senator Clark has been the most to 24th; Mt. Gretna, July 2d to

quotations gives promise of greater | the Senate and of having made activity in all the chief industries. presents of money to members of From the Philadelphia Times.

important opinion in which he declares the act classifying townships into two classes, passed by the last Legislature, unconstitutional. The new law affects twenty townships in the State and five in Luzerne Our own A. D Fetterolf says he county. It provided for the classiis not a candidate for Congress. fication of these townships as first-Our interest in the 'Squire is class townships and the election of five Township Commissioners who were to be vested with all the cor-THE engendering of personal ani- porate power and authority. The Commissioners and gave the same s, section 7, Constitution of Pennsylvania. There are 1,522 town. ships in the State and less than twenty of these are now affected by the act. In other words the method of classification excludes 1,500 Since another breezy election townships from the provisions of contest in this borough has been the act. Such classification is dedetermined, it will be quite well in- ficient and the act must therefore be unconstitutional."

By a vote of 34 to 28 the Senate. Friday, permitted the Quay case to be called up by Senator Penrose, and Senator Daniels was allowed to make a speech in favor of seating Mr. Quay. On Monday Senator Thurley, who reported the majority resolution against admission, made perhaps the strongest argument that can be advanced in opposition to granting a seat to Mr. Quay upon the strength of Governor Stone's appointment. Without taking the time to enter into a lengthy argument the opinion of the editor of this paper whittled down to a few lines is about this The Legislature of Pennsylvania had a full, fair opportunity to elect a Senator to succeed Mr. Quay and utterly failed to discharge its duty, and when the Legislature adjourned a vacancy existed in Pennsylvania's representation in the U. S. Senate. To be sure this vacancy occurred and existed while the Legislature was in session, but it none the less continued to exist, after the admen. Governor Stone chose the either reconvene the Legislature at a large cost to fruitlessly fritter THE decision of the conferrees to away more time, or name a U. S. and will doubtless be sustained by the next ten days.

WASHINGTON LETTER. From our Regular Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 23, 1900. tariff bill. The speeches referred fication. to read more like arguments made proper construction of the Constitution than the usual utterances heard on the floor of the House sessions have been held this week to accommodate members who

Secretary Hay, in reply to a

The adoption of the amendment Hawaii may at any time after January 1, 1903, submit to the lawfully From Dun's Review, Saturday :- qualified voters such changes and

much increased flocks of sheep damaging witness heard in the case | 9th; Williams' Grove, August 6th discussing the so-called Typical | OYSTERS | to 13th Ringing Rocks August

THE INDEPENDENT & causes are many, but the revision of the legislature which elected him to the legislature who worked and

election to the Senate. tate the movement of the wheels of of men by the Board of Township important committees, who claim But there are other avenues of sucin the course of his opinion says; of appropriation bills and other entries into new fields. "We are inclined to the opinion pressing measures. Mr. Hepburn that the object attained by the act has offered a resolution setting especially the change has been a itself is local and special in its aside March 6 to begin considernature, and therefore offends article ation of the canal bill, but it is not deposits of coal and iron been deprobable that the committee on veloped by the erection of furnaces take favorable action upon it.

Representative Richardson, of l'ennessee, believes the Interstate Commerce Commission has authority, under recent decisions of the interstate transportation of the goods controlled by any trust when it has knowledge that the price of such goods gives the trust an extortionate profit, and he has offered two resolutions directing the Commission to prohibit the transportation of goods owned by the sugar trust and the paper trust whenever it has knowledge that the profit on such goods is in excess of 4 per

Only a few years ago Washington papers and owners of property on Pennsylvania avenue were urgtween the Capitol and the Treasury, in order to place it above Potomac floods. Now the same papers and by the Government of the depreci- vantage. ated real estate along the avenue for sites for prospective National buildings, notwithstanding that this ground, the ancient estuary of the Potomac, is a quagmire, and that good foundation can be had journment of that august body of ing piles to a great depth. They of their industry and executive more or less distinguished states. stood by in crowds last summer ability. This march of the Southern watching the pile drivers making a greatly stimulated by the estabconscienceless real estate ring is at the bottom of this scheme, and every member of Congress should solid ground in Washington, acres of it, and for half the price these persons are asking the Government for their historic mud substratum.

The reciprocity treaty with France has been favorably reported to the Senate by unanimous vote of made in the House this week, on tions. This indicates that the opquestion involved in the Porto Rico strong enough to prevent its rati- story.

A \$500,000 BLAZE.

ONE WOMAN KILLED AND EIGHT PER-SONS INJURED.

Four large buildings, 715-19, not willing to join the anti-Quay repay careful perusal by students 721-23, 725 Arch street, and the of our Constitution, which Mr. Hop. storehouse of Finley Acker & Co., kins, of Illinois, claims to have all in Appletree street, Philadelphia, the elasticity of the fabled Arab were destroyed by fire last Friday tent, and which Mr. Richardson, of night. One woman was killed and ington, in the Congress of 1900 and Tennessee, holds to be as rigid as a eight other persons were injured by granite mountain. No date has yet jumping from one of the burning been set to take a vote on the bill, buildings. The origin of this fire is til nine in the evening. trict, it is hardly within the range but that question will probably be as yet a mystery, but it is believed one of those settled at a caucus of to have been caused by carelessness. be chosen to a seat in Congress the majority which has been called The loss will exceed half a million. Sultzbach's large clothing store, 1404-6 Ridge avenue, was gutted an hour later. Twelve firemen were hurt by a falling roof. A heater is

> The loss is estimated at \$50,000. Summer Schools for Sunday School Workers.

The Pennsylvania Sunday School Association has a scheme of summer schools for the entire State, which shows how rapidly the interest in better organization and broader instruction of the Sunday School has the other dining room," said the grown within a few years. The waiter. "This is the European summer schools were in operation plan cafe." last year, the one for general workers at Ringing Kocks, near Pottstown, and the other for primary workers at Eagle's Mere. These were made so helpful that a great demand came for six schools this year, five of which have been organized. One at Bedford Springs is for the southwestern part of the State, another at Eagle's Mere for electric lighting in the United northwest, Mt. Gretna and Williams States, and that the total horse Grove in the central counties, and Ringing Rocks for southeast. It is speculators, it is the best that could and the same being adopted by a the Ponoco region at Naomi Pines northeast. Fine and rich programs there had been an expenditure of on Sunday School organization, teacher training, Bible analysis, for tuition, and very cheap boarding and lodging for students. Dates August 3d; Eagle's Mere, July 18th

AN INDUSTRIAL REVOLUTION March. The author, the Rev.

In the old slavery days there Prison for a number of years, and voted for him, after his election to were only two avenues to conspicu- hence has had an unusually good Barre, recently handed down an the Senate, has made a bad im- ous success in the South, and these opportunity for a study of the pression, notwithstanding his claim were politics and planting. In criminal classes, is of the opinion that his contributions were made to actual practice the two professions that there is no such thing as the break down the Daly ring in Mon- were partners; for most of the suc- "typical criminal," and especially tana, and not to secure his own cessful politicians were planters. that there are no physical signs of One of the compensations of the degeneration by which he can be Representative Hepburn, of Iowa, war which destroyed slavery is now tagged and put into his appropriate made several attempts this week to found to lie in the fact that the get unanimous consent of the field of human success in the South hand, after a brief anatomical House for setting a day to begin has been greatly broadened. There survey. consideration of his Nicaraugua are plenty of political and other Canal bill, which has been favor. planters yet. As a matter of fact. ably reported, but objection was agriculture is more extensive and mosities is not calculated to facili- law provided for the employment made each time by the Chairman of more prosperous than ever before. that their action was not because of cess open, and the history of the rights to the board as are enjoyed opposition to the canal bill, but be. thirty-five years since the close of THE next move upon Republican by Councils in cities. The Judge cause of the necessity of disposing the war is one of many successful

marvelous one. Not only have the Rules, to which it was referred, will and rolling mills, but the sensible policy of erecting cotton mills in close proximity to the cotton fields has been widely adopted. The ex- Square, Lower Provider tensive timber supply of the South 1-25-4t is being utilized, its phosphate re-Supreme Court, to prohibit the sources developed, its agriculture widely varied, and in many new ways the material resources of the section are being drawn upon.

Naturally this broadening of the 1-11. Southern industrial field has opened new avenues for the successful advancement of the ambitious young men of the South. At a recent banquet to the employes of the Piedmont Mills, at Piedmont, South Carolina, the president of the manufacturing corporation read a list of sent the twenty-eight graduates of the Piedtendents of other cotton mills in the South. This is but a single instance showing the new order of ing a scheme to elevate the avenue things. Instead of overcrowding 14 feet above its present level be- the professions of politics and the law the young men of the South are filling positions at the head of mining, manufacturing, railway and other industrial enterprises, greatly persons are frantic for the purchase to their own and the country's ad-

This movement into other fields of achievement than politics and cotton-planting in the South is still date. in its infancy. Many of the men every architect and every boot who manage the industrial enterblack in Washington knows that prises have been imported from the North. These positions are, or soon will be, open to ambitious young men of the South who have graduated from the lower industrial same with postage in order ceipt therefor.

J. EV. 2-1. only at enormous expense by driv- work up to better positions because pile foundation in thirty feet of lishment of schools of technology, mud for the Evening Star Building but the Southern trend towards a on this same avenue. A selfish and varied industrial development is so marked that it is fast becoming the fashion for the ambitious sons of the South to enter upon industrial careers that were entirely closed to have warning from home. There is the young men of their class of a

HOW HE GOT EVEN.

From Youth's Companion Some people are philosophical enough to accept defeat gracefully others nurse their wrath and waste -Some really able speeches were the Committee of Foreign Rela- much time in a mistaken effort to "get even." Of one of these latter both sides of the Constitutional position to the treaty will not be a Chicago paper tells an amusing

> A man came to a Chicago hotel one day, and took his dinner outside with a friend. When he came to pay his bill he found himself charged with a day's board, dinner and all. He protested. The clerk tried to explain that the American plan was based strictly upon time, 'Phone 12. and that if he chose to eat elsewhere it was his own lookout, but

the man would not be pacified. He paid the bill under protest. Then he asked if dinner was still on, and was informed that it lasted un-

"Then I'll go and tackle it!" he exclaimed. "I've eaten one dinner, but I'm going to get my money's worth out of this house, or perish

in the attempt!" He rushed into one of the dining rooms, seized a bill of fare, and ordered everything he could think of. supposed to have caused this fire. When he finally got to the end of his tether, the waiter handed him a check for four dollars and ten cents.

"What's that for?" he asked in "Your dinner, sir." "But I have already paid for my

dinner in my bill," he protested

'I'm staying here on the American

The man paid the bill and walked out. His feelings must have been heavy, both in body and in mind.

Money Invested in Electric

Lighting. In a recent address before the Montauk Club, of Brooklyn, Mr. Charles W. Price stated that over \$600,000,000 had been invested in power required in the electric lighting of Greater New York was not less than 200,000 horse power, and that in the last thirteen years since the birth of the electric railway more than \$1,700,000,000, and that now any one could travel by electric cars from Paterson, N. J., via. New York, to Portland, Maine, with only three insignificant interruptions which collectively amount to less than fifteen miles.

An unusually interesting article much increased flocks of sheep which have weathered the winter, and some from the opening of new iron, zinc or copper mines. The ing the campaign for the election of lawing contributed \$140,000 during the campaign for the election of lawing contributed \$140,000 during the campaign for the election of lawing contributed \$140,000 during the campaign for the election of lawing contributed \$140,000 during the campaign for the election of lawing contributed \$140,000 during the campaign for the election of lawing contributed \$140,000 during the campaign for the election of lawing contributed \$140,000 during the campaign for the election of lawing contributed \$140,000 during the campaign for the election of lawing contributed \$140,000 during the campaign for the election of lawing contributed \$140,000 during the campaign for the election of lawing contributed \$140,000 during the campaign for the election of lawing contributed \$140,000 during the campaign for the election of lawing contributed \$140,000 during the campaign for the election of lawing contributed \$140,000 during the campaign for the election of lawing contributed \$140,000 during the campaign for the election of lawing contributed \$140,000 during the campaign for the election of lawing contributed \$140,000 during the campaign for the election of lawing contributed \$140,000 during the campaign for the election of lawing contributed \$140,000 during the campaign for the election of lawing contributed \$140,000 during the campaign for the election of lawing contributed \$140,000 during the campaign for the election of lawing contributed \$140,000 during the campaign for the election of lawing contributed \$140,000 during the campaign for the election of lawing contributed \$140,000 during the campaign for the election of lawing contributed \$140,000 during the campaign for the election of lawing contributed \$140,000 during the campaign for the election of lawing contributed \$140,000 during the campaign for the election of lawing contributed \$140,000 during the campa

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Estate of Rachael Hunsicker, late of the borough of Collegeville, Pa., deceased Notice is hereby given that letters testamentary on the above estate have been granted to the undersigned. All persons indebted to the same are requested to make immediate settlement, and those having claims against the estate will promptly present them to ABRAHAM R. HUNSICKER.

FIRE! FIRE! --- NOTICE. The members of the Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Montgomery County are hereby notified that a contribution was levied on January 22, 1900, of ONE DOLLAR on each One Thousand Dollars of Ordinary Risks, and the Rates fixed on Preferred and Hazardous Risks, for which each member of said Company is insured and that J. Evans Isett, Treasurer of said Company, will attend at his office, East Corner Main and Cherry Streets, in the Borough of Norristown, to receive said assessments from date.

Extract of Charter, Section 6 .- "Any member failing to pay his or her assessment or tax within 40 days after the above publi-cation shall forfeit and pay for such neglect cation shall forfest and paydouble such rates."

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J. EVANS ISETT,

Treasurer.

PUBLIC SALE!

DON'T MISS IT.

Thursday, March 15, I o'clock, At the Market House,

Harness, Wagons, Lot Farm, Milk, Spindle, Fallingtop Carriages, Surrey, Horse Blankets, Tools, Plows, Whips, Brushes,

N. H. Benjamin & Co.

207 Bridge Street, Phœnixville, Pa. Ground Oyster Shells, 100 lbs., for 60 cts.

February

Sales.

Great Reduction in all Winger Goods: Underwear, Flannelette Wrappers, Flannelette Shirts for Men, Gloves, Mittens, Silk Bonnets for Child-"Then you should have gone to ren in Red, Blue, Brown and Green for 39c., Woolen Stockings, Fascinators. We have a new line of Curtain Goods, Fish Net, Embroidered Muslin and Lace for Curtain Ruffles, and the New Double Curtain Rod for Draping Lace Curtains.

Mrs. John H. Barrett

COLLEGEVILLE, MONTGOMERY CO., PA.

Every

Department

Supplied with Goods that You will Need from Time to Time.

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.

In the Lines of Dry Goods and Notion

You will find lovely Dress Patterns, Heavy Outing Flannel Skirts, 29c. each. Fancy Ginghams, Gloves, Mittens, Suspenders,

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 Homemade Mince Meat 12c.lb., nice large Prunes Harmonville, Montg. Co., Pa. | 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 10c. lb., Mixtures 7c. to 25c. lb.

> > W. P. FENTON. COLLEGEVILLE, PA.

A Great Bleached And Unbleached Muslin Sale BEGAN

January 17

While we are selling Muslin, Calicoes and inghams at less than we would if we had

Another Special. A case of Outing Flannels, best makes,

at 8c. the yard, worth at least 10c. Imperfect only in this: at every one and one quarter yards there is a small hole, hardly For this sale we will freshen our Remnant Department, which is always one of the best drawing cards of the store.

We have a few of the \$5.25 Ladies' Coats at \$2.00, and \$6.00 ones at \$4.00, to close them out.

-: MORGAN WRIGHT :-

Keystone Dry Goods Store,

Main St., Opposite Public Square, NORRISTOWN. PA.

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HOUSE FURNISHING ::: GOODS :::

Guns, Ammunition, Etc. ATERS From \$3.50 L

OIL Paints, Oils, Varnishes, Glass, Putty, Brushes, etc. BICYCLES, Bicycle Sundries, Electrics 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. Expert Repairing

of Agricultural Machinery, sewing machines

mps, 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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(Next door to Register Office,) No. 5 W. Main St.. - Norristown, Pa.,

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townspeople to be served with meals or lunches. Remember the place, No. 5 West Main Street, next door to Register Office, and a few steps from Swede Street.

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SOME FOOD FOR YOUR THOUGHTS:

Royersford women who seek to keep | at 14c. yd. breast of fashion find great pleasure in look- Plain White Nainsook-Full 36 in. wide, ng at the exclusive novelties which are each | we offer at 16c. yd. This is an exceedingly day being added in white dress and waist good offer, as it cannot be duplicated under

INDIA LINEN-We offer full 32 in. wide All-overs-Tucked, Swisses, and Embroid-India Linen, beautifully sheer and fine, ered. In a bewitching array of beautiful which from a present purchase standpoint cannot be sold under 20c. yd. While these last, 10c. yd.

Victoria Lawn, full 34 in. wide, we offer Victoria Lawn,

Carpets.

Mattings.

WE ARE SHOWING NEW SPRING STOCK IN THESE LINES.

---000 The Carpet Department occupies the entire Second Floor, and no better showing is made than is here

offered in Body Brussels, Ingrains, Velvets, Axminsters and Tapestries. We Carpet Cottage or Mansion, and furnish, all

the Needfuls for pretty Tapestry Hangings. Our Linoleums and Oil Cloths are designed for

good wearing qualities. This Store is famous for its Moderate Prices. Its large Carpet Business was built on the integrity of the goods as well as the low rates at which they are sold. Special Line of Rugs—all sizes.

Brendlingers,

80 and 82 Main St. 213 and 215 DeKalb St.

NORRISTOWN, PA.

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Asks, have you been in to see the bargains which the Annual Clearing Sale brings forth? This store has a reputation of being cheaper in prices than some others. The healthy growth of its trade denotes such, yet housecleaning makes bargains.

Lamps, China, Dinner, Tea and Chamber Sets

are all on the list at from one-fourth to one-half of the marked price. The rear department is worth looking in these fine days. Something you may want for the house that will cost you much less now than a few weeks later.

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HARDWARE, CARPETS, OIL CLOTHS, TOYS, ETC.,

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All Departments Fully Stocked With Choice Goods That Will Please Buyers.

Ten (10) styles of Dress Plaids, all ne 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. Get our price on these goods before you

2 and 3 Ply Tar Roofing. Building Hardware. Wilson Bone Mills. Crushed Oyster Shells a 100 lb. bags.

Floor Oil Cloths and Linoleums. FREED'S Hand-Made SHOES AND SWEET, ORR & CO.'S COATS AND

> PANTALOONS. E. G. Brownback, TRAPPE, PA.

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General Business Agent, And dealer in Stocks, Hotels, Business Opportunities, Real Estate, Insurance, &c. Keystone 'Phone, No. 27. Bell, No. 189. 500.

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SACRIFICE.

the holiday trade; they came too late. The result was they had a large lot on hand. To turn them into ready money they have closed them out at almost half the cost of production. I have been fortunate in securing Ffty of these Clocks, and am giving my customers the benefit of the reduced prices while they last. They are good time-keepers, well made, and perfect in every respect. You cannot afford to miss this opportunity. Let me show them to you and quote you. prices that will surprise you.

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To fit the feet and suit in price and style. If you have failed to get suited in other places come to us for a trial. We are selling everything for one Low Price consistent with quality. Women's Shoes, B, C, D, F, EE wide, at \$2.00. All kinds of Shoes for men, suitable

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Fine opportunities for the farmer and the business man. Fertile soil. Two to ten dollars per acre. Healthy and genial climate. All information and a fine display of the different products that can be raised in the South at office, free of charge. Call and ford, Pa.

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Thursday, March 1, 1900

John H. Bartman is authorized to collect amounts due The Independent, and receive the names of new subscribers.

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.

Lenten Services at St. Paul's Memorial (D. V.), near Oaks, on Friday evenings at 7.30. Sundays: 10.45 in the morning; Sunday School ough, rejoice in the advent of their 2.30 in the afternoon; evening prayer and sermon 3.30. Holy Communion on the first Sun- life of ten years. Their friends day in March and April and on Easter day.

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

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

Augustus Lutheran Church, Trappe, Lenten services: March 2, at 7.30 p. m.-Lent: Its significance. March 4 - Invocavit. A. M. The first commandment. P. M., Doubt brings

Trinity Church .- Wednesday evening prayer meeting at 7.30 o'clock, and the monthly C. E. business meeting at 8.30 c'clock. Saturday, catechetics, at 1.30 o'clock, p. m. Sunday: Sunday School at 9, and preaching at 10 a. m .; the Y. P. S. C. E. prayer service, Mrs. H. L. his head received in falling from a the following stocks were sold: 13 Saylor leader, at 7 o'elock. The pastor will conduct a preaching service in

the Skippackville church Sunday evening, at M. E. Church, Evansburg. Sunday School at

9.30 a. m. Preaching at 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Allinvited. St. Luke's Reformed Church, Trappe, Rev. a. m. Preaching every Sunday at 10.30 a. m. poned from last Saturday evening, and 7.30 p. m. Prayer meetings: Junior Endeavor, Sunday, 2.30 p. m.; Y. P. S. C. E., Sun-Saturday evening, March 3. The Norristown, average price \$96.50. day, 6.30 p. m.; congregational, Wednesday, program as announced last week \$200 bond of Spring City borough 5.30 p. m. Catechetical class, Saturday, 2.30 will be presented p. m. All are cordially invited to attend the

HOME AND ABROAD.

-After the little storm

-There was a calm.

-And then came a howling, frigid, February tempest from the

-That made mercury drop over action be taken. forty degrees in a few hours and humanity shiver.

-Sunday was a very cold day and Monday almost equally so; and | berries, 35 cents a quart; chickens, the temperature was two above 16 and 18 cents; eggs, 20 cents a zero. Tuesday morning.

and the groundhog's shadow are reand the groundhog's shadow are returkeys, 20 cents; caulified freshments were served throughout

-As a weather prognosticator the g. h. is at least one ahead of the election mule, if he can't kick as high-front and behind.

-However, it is believed that the weather will soon become warm enough to thaw out spring poets.

-And then the feathery warblers from the south land will come again

purchase a car-load of horses. -For the third time, this winter,

the Perkiomen is frozen over.

_J. D. Sallade, the prominent jeweler and optician of Norristown, makes another important announcement in this issue. Read it, and

-Patriotic Sons of America atthe Royersford Baptist church.

-Over 100 houses will be erected in Phænixville this year.

-Over 700 skunk skins were shipped last week by F. C. Stauffer, of Limerick, Montgomery county, for the London fur sale in March.

-Grant Council, Junior Order American Mechanics, has presented a \$10 gold piece, was awarded to the schools of South Pottstown Rice H. Lindaman. Miss Edna with handsome silk flags.

-The Union Sunday School As-

- Boyertown citizens voted strongly in favor of a borough electrict light plant.

-The Berks county poor directors spend annually about \$10,000 in outdoor relief.

-Levi Johnson, of Reading, has a complete set of the pennies coined The menu was elaborate and the by the United States Government. toasts brilliant. The officers elect-

and Mrs. J. L. Paist, is recovering President, Rev. Charles H. Coon;

-Wednesday of last week Sheriff ger; Treasurer, M. R. Longstreth. Light sold the coal yard and poultry yard at Oaks Station, the property of George L. Garrigues. The sum realized was \$835.50.

favorable comment.

-The citizens of Telford have a cigar factory.

ersford Baptist church, Chester

_Farmers in Bucks and Mont-

W. C. T. U.

The W. C. T. U., of Collegeville, will hold its next regular monthly of Trappe was held Tuesday evenmeeting at the home of Mrs. E. A. | ing, when the financial and other March 6, at 2.30 o'clock.

Literary Entertainment.

of over \$400 in the Treasury.

Injured at a Crossing.

crossing, Manayunk, Monday even-

ing, Flagman John Burk, 70 years

old, residing at No. 418 Hector

street, Conshohocken, was struck

Stock Sold.

A sale of stocks belonging to the

prove fatal.

number of years.

stock sold \$8.50, \$8.00.

A Pleasant Social Event.

flags, and Chinese lanterns. Many

will come when all our contributors

will be able to remember and ob-

Annual Meeting of Collegeville

The annual meeting of the stock-

holders of the Collegeville Ice Man-

the office of Dr. E. Krusen, this

borough, last Thursday afternoon.

The usual routine business was

transacted and the affairs of the

dend of 5 per cent. on money paid

in. The following Directors were

re-elected for the ensuing year: M.

O. Roberts, Horace Ashenfelter, A

H. Tyson, E. A. Krusen, James L.

Paist, J. C. Landes, E. S. Moser.

The Directors organized by elect-

ing M. O. Roberts, President; E.

son, Treasurer.

A. Krusen, Secretary; F. G. Hob-

Meeting of Directors of the Poor.

receipts were \$409.45 and the ex-

penditures amounted to \$41.16

Steward Alderfer's report for the

month was: Inmates at last report

since, 2 males, 1 female; inmates

165 males, 43 females; admitted

pital, 156 males, 43 females. On

the day previous the Directors met

How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for

A literary and musical entertainment, "exclusively" for the personal benefit of preacher Kauffman will be held in the Evansburg M. E. Church, next Saturday evening, March 3. Admission, 15 and 10

After Ten Years.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kalb, of Phenixville, formerly of this bor- by a northbound express and refirst-born—a boy—after a married about here tender Mr. and Mrs. Kalb congratulations.

Farms Sold.

pack has been sold to Henry M. nia, for \$2550.

Taken to the Asylum.

William H. Poley, of Upper Prov idence, aged 25 years, who has a wife and two children, was recently taken to the Norristown Hospital estate of Daniel Fryer, late of Upfor the Insane. His affliction is per Providence, deceased, was held due, it is thought, to an injury to at Spring City last Thursday, and horse some years ago.

Postponed Meeting of Literary Society.

The regular meeting of the Methacton Literary Society at Cherry Tree, Lower Providence, was post- \$103.50. 32 shares Spring City Bank stock, average price \$128.50. will be presented.

Caps and Gowns.

The Senior Class at Ursinus having petitioned for the adoption of the innovation of caps and gowns, the faculty of the college referred the question to the Board of Directors, and the Board has decided fore the churches who support the a masquerade dance. There were that the matter shall be placed becollege for consideration before any

Norristown Markets. Saturday's quotations: Strawdozen; butter, 35 cents; string beans, 50 cents half peck; rhubarb, -Think of what the groundhog 12 cents bunch; tomatoes, 20 cents rived. The masks were all removed flower, 15 to 30 cents; apples, 20 and 30 cents half peck; oranges, 15 | the evening. to 50 cents a dozen, and cranberries, 15 cents a quart.

Death. Kate H., wife of Isaac H. John- times within the past twenty years son, Esq., of Creamery, died on that all communications addressed Tuesday of last week, after a week's to this office must be accompanied illness, aged 55 years. She leaves a by the names of the writers, we are husband and a son, Isaac K., and a in receipt of a report of a surprise step-daughter, Sarah, wife of P. A. party, and the name of the writer Metz, all of Creamery. The funeral thereof is omitted. Unless we re-D. H Casselberry, of Lower was held on Tuesday at 9.30 a. m. ceive a report from some other, and authoritative source, in time for this at the Lower Skippack Mennonite issue, an interesting item of news burial ground.

Roasted to Death. At North Lebanon, Pa., furnaces serve a very simple rule, the en- day. Monday afternoon, Solomon Gran- forcement of which is necessary in ger, a cinder snapper, was roasted all newspaper offices. alive. While emptying a car of favor his headquarters with a visit. liquid cinder on the big bank he slipped into the gutter and was swept down the embankment to tended special services Sunday at death by the fiery mass. Granger was still alive when his horribly burned body was rescued by furnace ufacturing Company was held at men and hurried to the hospital.

Zwinglian Contest.

The elocutionary contest by the Zwinglian members of the Freshman class on Thursday evening was a very successful event. The prize, Loose and John Poorman received honorable mention. The judges were Professor William Martin sociation of Ironbridge will hold its Rife, of Ardmore, Rev. William annual meeting on this Thursday | Courson, of Lower Providence, and Rev. H. B. Henry, of Norristown.

College Banquet.

One of the most successful banquets ever given by the Ursinus phia. There were a large number amounting to \$2842.13 were granted. past week in Collegeville, the guest twelve on Monday above zero at by the friends and promoters of the College Association was that of of the friends of the college present. ed for the ensuing year are as fol--Master David Paist, son of Mr. lows: President, E. P. Gresh; Vice from a severe attack of erysipelas. | Secretary, Augustus W. Bomber-

Catechetical Class. The weekly catechetical class in- the County Commissioners and the structions in Trinity church, this matter of building the proposed inborough, which have been omitted firmary at the Almshouse was disavenue, is suffering an attack of during the past several Saturdays, cussed at length. It was decided Saturday, March 3, at 1.30 o'clock, architect to have the plans modified | was ill with appendicitis. -G. F. Clamer, dealer in hard- p. m. Any who recently or in any so as to make the cost much less ware, is agent for the New White former year or years, were members than former estimates. The revised Light Gas Lamp. The sample re- of the class and who desire further plans will be submitted to the Comcently in operation in front of his instruction in the catechism, the missioners at another meeting to be ter Mrs. W. P. Fenton. store, attracted much attention and same will be most cordially wel- held on Wednesday, March 7. The comed; and such young people of whole matter will then be considthe church and community who ered by the Commissioners and a have never yet been catechumens, decision reached as to whether to raised \$6000 toward the erection of but who desire more specific in- build the infirmary or not. It is structions in religion with a view to probable the improvement will be - Individual communion cups ultimate church membership, they made. have been put in use at the Park- are respectfully invited to join said class at once, as it will start in the beginning of the catechism.

any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured We have saved many doctor bills since we by taking Hall's Catarrh Cure.

Meeting of Trappe Town Council. Making Money Selling Spring

A meeting of the Town Council John Simpson, who owns a fine clear spring of water on his farm in Krusen on Tuesday afternoon, affairs of the borough for the past Tredyffrin township, Chester county, year were reviewed. After the is reaping a rich harvest by sendpayment of all bills presented, it ing water to Philadelphia. He is was found that there was a balance now sending two large wagon loads of water to the city per day. Each wagon load contains fifty-six jars of married February 21, 1850, and for about who should be Supervisor. law. five gallons each, or 280 gallons to the load, and 560 gallons per day. While attempting to prevent a This water nets him about \$8 per woman from being run over by a load, or \$16 per day, clear of all expassenger train on the Reading penses; and this more than beats publishing a country newspaper Railway, at the Pennsdale street

Inter-Collegiate Oratorical Con-

test.

Preparations are being made at ceived injuries that are likely to Ursinus College for one of the most | they sustained the loss of no chil important events in the annals of the institution, the Inter-Collegiate A Democratic Politician Gone. Oratorical Contest which will be Joseph C. Beyer, aged 76, died at held in Bomberger Memorial Hall Charity Hospital, Norristown, Sun- on March 9. There are seven colday, of a complication of diseases. leges represented in the Pennsyl-The John D. Alderfer farm of The deceased was one of the best vania Oratorical Union, each of one hundred and six acres in Skip- known Democratic politicians in which will send a representative. the county. He served one term as | The colleges are Franklin and Mar-Alderfer, of Philadelphia, for \$6000. Coroner and was warden at the shall, Gettysburg, Lafayette, Le-The eighteen acre farm containing | Montgomery County Prison for six | high, Muhlenberg, Swarthmore, and the dead animal establishment, was | years. He was on two different | Ursinus. Two prizes will be awardsold to H. L. Alderfer, of Franco- occasions nominated for Sheriff, but ed to the successful contestants, was defeated. He was proprietor of one of \$25 and one of \$15. Ursinus the Washington Square Hotel for a College will be represented by Mr. Howard E. Bodder, who won the

National Delegate and Congress-

Contest last year.

ional Conventions. The Bucks-Montgomery conferrees at their meeting at the Bingshares Girard Avenue Farmers' ham House, Philadelphia, on Satur-Market, average price \$51.50. 33 day afternoon, decided that the shares Ridge Avenue Farmers' convention in which national dele-Market, average price \$137.50. 33 gates are to be chosen shall be held shares Home Water stock, average on Monday, May 14th, at Jenkinprice \$39.00. 11 shares Royersford town, and the Congressional con-National Bank, average price vention on Monday, June 25th, at Bristol. The meeting was attended by the following conferrees: Messrs. 63 shares People's National Bank, Powell Childs, Plymouth; Joseph W. Hunter, Jenkintown; Benjamin Thomas, Bridgeport; John G. brought \$205. Fernwood Cemetery Prizer, Schwenksville; Charles W. Humphreys, Bryn Mawr, of Montgomery county; and Messrs. Chas. M. Cressman, Quakertown; Irvin A. Aaron, Doylestown; Geo. W Last Wednesday evening Glen-Radcliffe, Buckingham; Joseph S. wood Hall, this place, was the scene Thomas, Bristol, and Joseph W. of a delightful social event when Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Clamer, assisted Shelly, Doylestown, of Bucks by Mr. and Mrs. John Barrett and county.

Mr. and Mrs. George Clamer, gave DEATHS. over a hundred guests present, in-An infant child of Mr. and Mrs. cluding several from Philadelphia Frank Ruth, this borough, died and Norristown. The hall was pro-Tuesday morning, aged one day. fusely decorated with bunting, Interment at Skippack Mennonite burying ground.

of the costumes were of unique design and caused much merriment, Esther, wife of Emanuel Buck-"Oom Paul" was well represented walter, died Sunday afternoon of and the "Two Little Girls in Blue" heart failure, aged 28 years. She created quite a stir when they aris survived by a husband, one son. and two sisters.

Laura J., wife of Joseph Stearly, died Monday night at her home in But there were few occasions to killed in battle. Upper Providence, near Bechtel's Some Things Hard to Remember. school, aged about 35 years. Mrs. Some people will not remember Stearly was ill only a short time. some things. After having made A husband and one son survive. the statement perhaps a hundred The funeral will be held on Saturday at 10 a. m. Interment at Lutheran cemetery, Trappe; undertaker John S. Kepler in charge.

YERKES and VICINITY.

Mr Adam Mensch, who now resides in Pottstown, visited his daughter Mrs. Jesse Mack Saturday and Sunday.

will be omitted from this week's INDEPENDENT. We hope the time attending West Chester Normal ber amounting to 2,900 men. The

nixville, over Sunday.

Mr. Isaac G. Price and Miss Leila Price, of Oaks, visited Mr. J. G. Gotwals and family on Sunday.

Samuel Hood. Mr. Levi Oxenford purchased the Company were found to be in a farm of Josiah Cassel sold at pubfavorable condition. The Directors | lic sale, Saturday, for eighteen hun-

were authorized to disburse a divi- dred dollars. The public sale of Elmer Eichholtz's personal property, Friday,

Mrs. Mary Gotwals celebrated to Pittsburg remain to this day, and visited by her relatives. She is in good health and is very active Braddock's Pass, marched over

PERSONAL.

The regular monthly meeting of Miss Carrie Kerschner, of Pottsthe Directors of the Poor was held During the month of February the

> Professor and Mrs. H. V. Gummere were the guests of friends in Swarthmore, over Sunday

died, 1 male and 1 female; dis- called on friends in town on Thurs- have been made there also. charged, 10 males; number at hos. day.

Miss Estelle Faringer is visiting in Philadelphia, and Mt. Holly, N.J.

where they were visiting their will be resumed on this coming to refer the entire subject to the daughter, Mrs. J. A. Challen, who cle Sam's farm that is considered a economics can be practiced in pro-Dr. Jonas Bowman, of Philadel-

> phia, spent Sunday with his daugh Wm. Essig and family and Henry Mack and wife, of Pottstown,

and family, Sunday. Miss Annie Bartman, of Philadelphia, visited her mother, Mrs. Mary Bartman, Sunday.

Miss Maggie Miller, of Consho-Lansdale, visited Mr. and Mrs. A.

A Golden Wedding.

ble social event occurred at Iron-

they removed to Ironbridge. They near Black Rock, Upper Providence; street, Philadelphia; and Mrs. M. T. Hunsicker, of Ironbridge. During the long period of their wedded life, dren. There are six grandchildren. Only those immediately connected with the family were present. A valuable purse was contributed by those who shared the pleasures of the event, and was presented by Detwiler, who made a very approdricks, D. D., of Collegeville, and the Rev. Geo. W. Gensler, of Selinsgrove, Pa. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Hunsicker, Rev. and Mrs. Jos. Hendricks, Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Hunsicker, Mr. and Mrs. first prize in the Junior Oratorical C. D. Hunsicker, Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Hunsicker, Mr. and Mrs. Frank C. Rawn, Mr. and Mrs. Enos H. Detwiler, Mr. and Mrs. Isaiah II. Detwiler, Mr. and Mrs. John G. Mrs. George Gensler, Misses May and Florence Hunsicker, Messrs. Carl Hunsicker, Oscar and Abr. Hunsicker and Miss Sara Gennaria

Notice the Change. As I have moved the contents of my store four doors below the Opera House, I extend to all my friends an invitation to visit my all who make a purchase from 25 cents upwards, on Saturday only. R. H. KEELER,

FROM OAKS.

Washington's birthday anniversary came as usual, and it would have been a matter of surprise to us if the weather would have been other than damp and rainy. It might be possible, as we are so for- February is the blizzard month, so getful, we were treated to a rain wouldn't when he became a man. wrong, in the lists of wounded and

bend the truth those days. The recurrence of Washington's birthday reminds us that it was in the State of Pennsylvania Washington first displayed the military qualities that brought him to notice qualities that brought him to notice and nowhere could the greatest qualities that brought him to notice the following personal property: Four horses, good work-the same time and place will be sold a lot of household goods, including bureaus, chairs, tables, beds and bedding, and nowhere could the greatest qualities that brought him to notice good for the greatest number be expanded than to make a public consisting of a large variety of boots and shaft, all in good order; road wagon, carriage guished him. Washington accom- road of Brower's lane. The bugapanied Gen. Braddock in his at- boo that said lane connects no pubpanied Gen. Braddock in his attempt to capture Fort DuQuesne, now Pittsburg, where an army of prejudice and narrow-mindedness. now Pittsburg, where an army of fifty Frenchmen and two hundred and fifty Indians nearly annihilated half the time crossing the Perkithe 49th and 51st regiments of omen at Mill Grove, by taking the DUBLIC SALE OF British regulars, aided by many outlet of the Perkiomen Brick Co.'s Master J. Elmer Gotwals, who is provincial troops, the whole num-School, visited his home over Sun- battle was fought July 9, 1765. the route John Davis drives over, General Washington displayed that is, down the lane and up the great prudence as well as gallantry, tow-path of the canal. The Penna. Miss Anna B. Detwiler visited and if Braddock would have taken R. R. located their station at the her uncle Mr. A. G. Gotwals, Phoe- his advice victory instead of defeat foot of the lane, by way of accomwould have been gained. Brad modation, and it cannot be expected dock was not familiar with the In- to keep an outlet in repair without dian mode of warfare, and Wash- they receive all the benefits, and we ington suggested to fight as the | don't see it in that light. Indians did and they would beat Miss Alice Dewane recently won them at their own game. This suga music box that was raffled off by gestion irrated the ostentatious general, and turning upon General Washington, Braddock spurted out: It is a pitiful state of affairs when a young buckskin must teach a British General how to fight. Wash. as the "Flour Trust," was a natural ington was a native of Virginia, sequence of overcapitalization, and

> land, in 1862, marched through portions of it, no doubt.

The road or portions of it laid out

by Washington from Georgetown

Isaac Dettra, of Cold Point, visited Oaks on Monday. The temperature was as low as town, spent several days of the three degrees on Sunday a. m., and

Weikel and Meyers gave an en-

our way of thinking. Received its knock-out with sundry knock-out of the Flour Trust is that it shows balls, when Dewey dropped down that combinations of industrial en-Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Landis have on Manila. Uncle Sam goes gunterprises in order to be successful returned home from Newark, N. J., ning on a neighbor's farm, but if must be conducted upon sound the neighbor guns too close to Un- business principles. While certain

overflowed its banks in three weeks, sufficient to pay dividends on stock and and it is getting to be a com- and obligations that are one-half mon occurrence that hide tide every water unless the article affected is week may be looked for, for a time. It was high tide at the lock tender's were the guests of Charles Essig dwelling, as the tide was all around can be easily controlled. Flour is the house, and communication was cut off, only by the berm bank.

not an article of this kind. It is produced over a large area and by the berm bank. The dwellers were completely tied too many concerns to be success-

Shrove Tuesday and Ash Wedbocken, and Miss Ida Metz, of nesday and Lent begins. Lenten services will be held at St. Paul's

many years resided in Upper Prov. However, McBride did not get idence township. Some years ago there, but he can well afford to wait another time. Mr. McBride returns have been blessed by two sons and his hearty and most sincere thanks two daughters: Mr. G. F. Hun- to all the voters, irrespective of delphia; Mr. C. D. Hunsicker, of port and voted for him for Supervisor on election day. He consid-Mrs. Frank C. Rawn, of 3040 Berks ers it a most generous compliment and an honor, that even if he was defeated, he received so hearty an

How is it the weather man gives Saturdays and Sundays. Tempted Spring weather would be sand. wiched on the blizzard rations, we have been enjoying, we shed our Mrs. Hunsicker's brother, Mr. Isaiah overcoat for one whole hour Saturday. The balmy breezes from priate address. Timely remarks where the sweet magnelia blooms were also made by Rev. J. H. Hen- and where some fellow first saw Maggie May down by a babbling Judge Chapman's Widow Dead. brook and fell in love, met by chance the usual way, etc., suggested the thought a few notes place. But, alas! our cogitations, our meditations, were knocked into a continental's cocked hat by a terrific blizzard on Saturday evening. Bluebirds, well I guess not The English sparrow has settled Gotwals, Mrs. Margaret Custer, them just as the English soldier Mrs. Maria Hunsicker, Rev. and will settle the Boers. Just because gentle spring dared to presume to add a smile or two on the temperature of the weather, old Mr. Blizzard shook out his shaggy locks,

had so few nice days on Sunday, Royersford, Pa. we should not entertain the idea that spring weather would prevail in winter time, for has not every season its own; yes, any kind of weather, we should think it had. But everything is beautiful in its at zero, if it is not too cold to stop and consider for a few moments.

lie, even if a lie well stuck to is as name was spelled Elmira. Elmina and having a depth of 160 feet, and contain ing 35 perches of lard, more or less. The containing and having a depth of 160 feet, and containing 35 perches of lard, more or less. The containing 35 perches of lard, more or less. good as the truth as some people it should be. Only soldiers, fightassert. Its not American to lie. ing the battles of their country, are

prejudice and narrow-mindedness. You can go to Port Kennedy in plant, or have half the distance to Port Providence if you should take

A TYPICAL TRUST. From the Philadelphia Times. The failure of the United States Milling Company, otherwise known but the foundation of his military is typical of the fate probably in greatness was laid in Pennsylvania. reserve for all combinations of this sort in which the paper capital is out of all proportion to the earning her eighty-sixth birthday Thursday and he who assisted in fighting the value of the properties involved. February 22, and was remembered battle of South Mountain, Mary- The United States Milling Company was organized a year ago with \$25,000,000. Its real assets consisted of a few large flouring mills in New York, New Jersey, Wisconsin and Minnesota, the highest valuation which has been put upon them by the friends and promoters of the wagons and Harness: Two-horse farm wagon, one-horse lot wagon; cart, good as new; manure boards, three-spring market wagon, 2 double-seat carriages, variage pole, set hay ladders 16 ft. long with fixtures, horse power and thresher, Ellis make, in good order; fodder cutter, Stoneback's make; winnowing mill, 2 No. 2 Syracuse plows, American two-horse riding cultivator, nearly new; two-horse farm wagon with hay bed, two-horse body wagon, as new; manure boards, three-spring market wagon, 2 double-seat carriages, wether and pole, express wagon, 2 double-seat carriages, wagon, 2 double-seat carriages, carriage pole, set hay ladders 16 ft. long with fixtures, horse power and thresher, Ellis make; in good order; fodder cutter, Stoneback's make; winnowing mill, 2 No. 2 Syracuse plows, Spinnerville plow, springtooth harrows, one-horse lot wagon; cart, good as new; manure boards, three-spring market wagon, 2 double-seat carriages, wetloarrow, sled, 2 sets express harness. 2 blindhalters.

Machinery, etc.: Hay rake, hay tedder, improved sidehill Syracuse plow, nearly new; good Syracuse and Wiard plows, American the wagon with shaft and pole, express harness. 2 blindhalters.

tertainment in the hall of the Up- upon the basis of the actual earnper Providence Club, Port Proviling power of the properties includence, on Saturday evening. By ded may be still possible, but the Prof. William Rife, of Narberth, graduate of Ursinus College, have been made there also.

ded may be still possible, but the more probable solution will be the disintegration of the trust and the return of the properties to their saw, one-man saw, hand and other saws, one-man saws, hand and other saw a graduate of Ursinus College, on the hall, and other improvements disintegration of the trust and the The Monroe doctrine is dead in original owners or to their creditors. | maul and wedges, 2 axes, broadaxe, post The significance of the collapse

ducing large quantities of a given Three times the Schuylkill has product, these economics are not one for which there is a restricted demand and the supply of which cluding all competition, and while Or their attorney, competition exists there is no chance for dividends on water.

The fate of the United States gomety counties report an unusual scarcity of farm help for the busy spring mouths.

—Senator John A. Wentz, of Fort Washington, is mentioned as a possible Democratic candidate for Congress in the Seventh district.

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—A. R. De Fluent, editor of the Journal, Doylestown, Ohio, suffered or a number of Trappe, Pa.

—A house, barra, and five across of ground adde. He says: "My right arm at times are sufficient for the Journal, Doylestown, Ohio, suffered or a number of Collegeville. Spay, Good Friday, add Easter April 15th.

—Ben Groome has been a constant companion of Memorial, Oaks, this Wednesday Milling Company may be accepted

of Supervisor of the Lower district | capitalization represents actual and | DUBLIC SALE OF Wednesday of last week a nota- of our township, and whittled down permanent earning power. Those the Republican majority to twenty. who fail to do this are in danger of bridge, when the golden wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Hunsicker was very fittingly celebrated at the residence of their daughter, Mrs. M. T. Hunsicker. Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Hunsicker were

This is carrying the thing home, right into the camp of the party that is generally victorious, and seem to have the cinch on the long into bankruptcy eventually as an individual firm on a similar basis. No anti-trust legislation can ever have the force of this inexorable have the force of this inexorable will be sold at public sale, on FRIDAY, MARCH 2, 1900, at Spang's Lamb Hotel, into bankruptcy eventually as an individual firm on a similar basis. No anti-trust legislation can ever have the force of this inexorable have the force of this inexorable will be sold at public sale, on FRIDAY, MARCH 2, 1900, at Spang's Lamb Hotel, into bankruptcy eventually as an individual firm on a similar basis. No anti-trust legislation can ever have the force of this inexorable have the force of this inexorable and milkers—the kind that all purchasers have the force of this inexorable have the force of this inexorable have the control of the party of This is carrying the thing home, loss, for a trust doing business upon Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Hunsicker were fight to the finish, and it was all have the force of this inexorable

Girl Finds Parents.

READING, February 27.—A girl F. H. Peterman, auct. M. B. Linderman, clerk. known here since childhood as Minsicker, of 1524 Lehigh avenue, Phil. party or creed, who gave their sup- nie Schroeder, now 20 years of age, was summoned to Wilkesbarre last week. She now writes that she has just discovered her parents; that ber real name is Catharine McHale. endorsement by his fellow citizens. and that she is living with her father and mother there. Her reus such outlandish weather for puted father, William Schroeder, and family left here several years with the very thought that a little ago for California, leaving her to make her own living. It is said that Schroeder took her from her parents when she was a child, and that Mrs. Schroeder before her death furnished the glue which the first man death furnished the glue which the glue whi death furnished the clue which re- W. Pierson, auct. A. P. Fritz, clerk, stored her to her parents.

DOYLESTOWN, February 27 .- Mrs. Nancy Chapman, widow of the late from a bluebird would not be out of Judge Henry Chapman and daughter of the late Governor Francis R. Shunk, of this State, died at her home here to-day after a long illness, aged about 78 years. She was noted for her kind and charitable nature. Mrs. Chapman was married to Judge Chapman in 1845, while ne was a member of the Senate, and leaves two children-Arthur Chapand Miss Fannie Chapman.

It is very hard to stand idly by and see our ladened with snow, frost and icicles, dear ones suffer while awaiting the arrival inflated his lungs and blew great of the doctor. An Albany (N. Y.) dairyguns and kicked up a racket just | man called at a drug store there for a doctor because 1900 could be divided by to come and see his child, then very sick four without a remainder and was with croup. Not finding the doctor in, he not a leap year; why, he tore left word for him to come at once on his rearound like one possessed of little turn. He also bought a bottle of Chambernew quarters on Opening Day, amiability, bit, nipped, singed, lain's Cough Remedy, which he hoped would Saturday, March 3. A nice gift to scorched our ears, nose and fingers, give some relief until the doctor should arjust because we presumed it might rive. In a few hours he returned, saying the be a nice day Sunday, and we have | doctor need not come, as the child was much better. The druggist, Mr. Otto Scholz, says the family has since recommended Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to their neighbors and friends until he has a constant demand for it from that part of the country. For sale by Joseph W. Culbert, druggist, Collegeville.

season, even with the thermometer ORPHANS' COURT SALE OF REAL ESTATE

AND PERSONAL PROPERTY 1 getful, we were treated to a rain storm in the morning and fair weather in the afternoon, but should you ask me no stories I will tell you no lies, for it does not become an American though he may be born a limb of the old man, to lie, even if a lie well stuck to is as assert. Its not American to lie. The Father of his country couldn't lie when he was a boy, and he wouldn't when he became a man. frame shop, containing 2 rooms; with porch in front. An abundance of fruit and shade

Personal Property! Will be sold at public sale, on TUESDAY, Will be sold at public sale, on TUESDAY, MARCH 6, 1900, on premises of late John Hambrecht, on Egypt road, half-way between Jeffersonville and Audubon, four horses, 13 cows, 3 shoats, 75 chickens, ducks, hay wagon, cart, express and other wagons, phacton, sleigh, reaper, mower, hay rake, grain and corn drill, and many other articles of a wall-stocked farm. 5 tons hav rake, grain and corn drill, and many other articles of a well-stocked farm. 5 tons hay, 300 bushels corn, 50 bushels oats, potatoes, harness, milk cans, cooler, butcher blocks, farmers' boiler, buckets, bedsteads, bureaus, tables, chairs, couches, stoves, &c. Sale to commence at 11 o'clock a. m.

J. R. YOST,

Agent for Wm. Hambrecht & Bro.

DUBLIC SALE OF

Personal Property! Will be sold at public sale, on WEDNES-DAY, MARCH 14, 1900, on the premises of the undersigned on the Germantown turnpike near Providence Square, Montgomery the undersigned on the Germantown turnpike near Providence Square, Montgomery county, Pa., the following personal property:

16 shoats, 100 chickens by the pound, 700 bundles of cornfodder, 200 bushels of superior seed potatoes, Green Mountain variety; 1600 pounds of Farmer phosphate. Wagons and Harness: Two-horse farm

two-horse riding cultivator, nearly new; two-horse springtooth harrow, Acme harrow, It is possible that reorgan ization marker and corn sheller, two 30-qt. and one ers' rope and tackle, 2 cleavers, knives, butchers' other tools, 4 sets traces, pair breast chains, 3 timber chains, 10 cow chains, 3 barrels, 3 half-bushel measures, 200 bags, hay and manure forks, and many other

things not enumerated.

Terms cash, goods to be removed in ten days. Sale to commence at 12 o'clock. JOSEPH C. JOHNSON.

ESTATE NOTICE. Estate of David Reiner, late of Collegeville Borough, Montgomery county, deceased. Letters testamentary on the above estate having been granted to the under-signed, all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment, Wayne Pierson, auct. M. R. Wanner, clerk FRANKLIN P. FARINGER,

F. G. Hobson, Norristown, Pa. FOR RENT.

A Farm of 56 Acres, or the house; located in the borough of Trappe. Apply to F. ZOLLERS, Trappe, Pa.

OHIO COWS!

to this sale, gentlemen, and put in your bids; we can furnish you with what you want. Sale rain or shine. Sale to commence at 1 o'clock. Conditions by
HILLEGASS & FLUCK.

DUBLIC SALE OF

FRESH COWS!

Will be sold at public sale, on FRIDAY, MARCH 9, 1900, at Spang's Lamb Hotel, Trappe, one car-load of extra heavy fresh ers, from Lebanon county. I have selected these cows with care and they are a choice let in all respects to a lead of the server of the county. are a choice lot in all respects; a load of extra heavy ones—the best I have ever shipped. They are large and shapely and big baggers and milkers. These cows will positively be sold for the high dollar. It will pay cow

DUBLIC SALE OF

FINE COWS! Will be sold at public sale, on THURS-DAY, MARCH 8, 1900, at the residence of the undersigned in Worcester township, one mite and a half east of Fairview Village, 40 mile and a half east of Fairview Village, 40

the number are fresh and the
remainder are close springers. The lot includes a number of thoroughbred Jerseys, and
several three-year-old grade Jerseys, and
all are high grade dairy cattle in prime condition. Also a manure spreader in good
order. About 25 thirty and forty quart milk
caus; Star milk cooler in excellent condition.
Sale at 1 o'clock p. m. Conditions by

E. W. ANDERS.

DUBLIC SALE OF

HORSES!

. H. Ingram, auct. W. H. Moser, clerk.

To be sold at Hartranft House, Norris town, Pa., on WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7 1900, 30 head of Horses selected by myself in the State of Illinois.

Among the lot there will be some extra draught, driving, general business horses, also a few with some speed. and several good mated pairs. Sale to com IVINS C. WALKER. A. M. Bergey, auct.

DUBLIC SALE OF IOWA AND

HORSES!

Will be sold at public sale, on MONDAY, MARCH 12, 1900, at Beckman's Hotel, Trappe, 30 horses from Iowa and Missouri, carefully selected by the undersigned for this market. The lot consists of mated teams, draft horses famour's churches. horses, farmers' chunks, and several that show some speed. Several unbroken colts. Here is a special opportunity for horse buyers. Will take horses that are marketable in exchange, if shown before 12 o'clock on day of sale. This stock will be sold for each and satisfaction experienced. sold for cash, and satisfaction guaranteed. Horses taken will be sold at the halter after sale for the high dollar. Sale at 1 o'cloc MURRAY MOORE. John Evans, auct. H. H. Robison, clerk.

DUBLIC SALE OF

Personal Property! Will be sold at public sale, on TUESDAY MARCH 13, 1900, on what is known as the Jacob Tyson Farm in Upper Providence, on road leading from Trappe to Royersford, one mile west of former place, the following all in good order; road wagon, carriage pole, sleigh, horse power, thresher and cleaner (Buckwalter's make), in good order; reaper and binder, in good order; Deering mower, horse rake, Pennsylvania corn worker, 2 Syracuse plows, cornsheller, platform scales, springtooth harrow, 2 fod-der cutters, (Freed make); hoe harrow, der cutters, (Freed make); hoe harrow, plank roller, grindstone, hay hook, rope and pulleys, clevis, single and doubletrees, scythe and sneathe, forks, rakes, shovels, hoes, scoop shovel, cow and other chains. Harness of all kinds: 4 sets lead harness, express harness, set light harness, cart harness, set of double harness, double and single lines, blind and headhalters, fly nets, short traces, saddle and bridle. The articles herein advertised are nearly as good as new having been used only a short time. 25 pair of chickens, by the pound; ducks and geese, farmers' boiler, cook stove, four 20-qt. milk cans, 5 tons of hay by the hundred, corn by the bushel, wheat in the ground, and many articles not enumerated. Sale to begin at 12.30 p. m. Conditions: 3 months credit on all sums exceeding \$20 with approved endorser.

HENRY H. ROBISON.

DUBLIC SALE OF

Personal Property!

scalding tub, new wheelbarrow, scoop shov-els, forks, rakes, stub and corn hoes, dung hook, 2 grain cradles, corn by the bushel cornfodder by the bundle. Household Goods: 2 cook stoves and pipe sideboard, large cherry table, settee, chairs, walnut bureau, washstand, large chest, horse blankets, meat and other tools, 2 butter copper kettle, meat bench, apple butter, empty apple butter pots, and many articles not enumerated. Sale to begin at 12 o'clock M., promptly. Conditions: 6 months credit on all sums exceeding \$15, with approved endorser. AMOS H. WANNER.

The Jefferson Hall property at Jeffer-sonville, consisting of wheelwright shop on first floor and large room on second floor suitable for cigar factory or other manufac-turing purposes. Also blacksmith shop on same property, all in good order. Will be sold at the right price and on reasonable terms. Apply to C. H. SHAW.

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IN EFFECT NOVEMBER 12, 1899. Trains Leave Collegeville. FOR PERKIONEN JUNCTION, BRIDGEPORT AND PHILADELPHIA—Week days—6.29, 8.15 11.30 a. m.; 5.59 p. m. Sundays—6.39 a. m.; 6.13 p. m.

Trains For Collegeville. LEAVE PHILADELPHIA—Week days—7.21, ashore. 9.21 a. m.; 1.36, 5.21, p. m. Sundays—7.06 "Can a. m.; 6.21 p. m.

Leave Bridgeport—Week days—8.11,
9.59 a. m.; 2.27, 6.04, p. m. Sundays—7.53
a. m.; 7.08 p. m.

Leave Perkiomen Junction—Week days -8 33, 10.12 a. m.; 3.00, 6.22, p. m. Sun-days-8.13 a. m.; 7.28 p. m.

LEAVE ALLENTOWN — Week days—4.25, 6,55, 10.50 a. m.; 4.35 p. m. Sunday-4.35

a. m.; 4.35 p. m. ATLANTIC CITY DIVISION. IN EFFECT NOVEMBER 1, 1899. Leave Philadelphia, Chestnut Street wharf and South Street wharf, for Atlantic City: Weekdays-Express, 9.00 a. m., 2.00, 4.00, **Weekdays**—Express, 9.00 a. m., 2.00, 7.00, 5.00, 7.15 p. m. Accommodation, 8.00 a. m., 5.30 p. m. Sundays—Express, 9.00, 10.00 a. m. Accommodation, 8.00 a. m., 4.45 p.m. Leave Atlantic City Depot: Weekdays—Express, 7.35,9.00,10.30 a. m., 3.30, 5.30 p.m.

Accommodation, 8.15 a. m., 4.05 p. m. Sundays—Express, 4.30, 7.30 p. m. Accommodation, 7.15 a. m., 4.05 p. m. Accommodation, 7.15 a. m., 4.05 p. m.

FOR CAPE MAY, OCEAN CITY AND SEA ISLE CITY. Weekdays — 9.00 a. m., 410, p. m. Sundays—Chestnut St., 9.15, South St., 9.00

a. m. Additional for Cape May only—Weekdays I. A. SWEIGARD, EDSON J. WEEKS, Gen'l Superintendent. Gen'l Pass. Agent. Reading Terminal, Philadelphia.

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W. E. JOHNSON, PROVIDENCE SQUARE, PA-



-FOR SALE BY-G. W. YOST, Collegeville, Pa. Stop in and hear the new records.

"Can cats swim?" was asked of an

"Why, certainly," was the reply, "and that reminds me of a cat I once tried to drown that swam ashore. Surely there must have been hundreds or thousands of people who have drowned cats in the same way, but nevertheless this was an experience of my own. We had a cat that we wanted to get rid of, and as humane a way as any to kill it was by drowning. So I put a couple of bricks in the bottom of an old grain sack and put in the cat and tied the bag up carefully and securely and walked down to the end of a wharf, and stood there, and swung the bag with the cat and the bricks in it round like a sling until I could give it a good momentum, and then let it go, and slung it out to fall and sink in the water, I should say 20 feet away.

"I supposed, of course, that that was the last of the cat, but the next morning the first thing I saw when I went out of the house was the cat sitting on the veranda.

"I suppose the bag had a weak spot in it somewhere. The bricks were heavy and sharp cornered, and swinging the bag round that way started it FOR ALLENTOWN—Week days—7.48, 10.08 a. m.; 3.22; 6.36, p. m. Sundays—8.30 a. with the bag that way it scratched and tore its way out and got to the wharf and clawed its way up and came "Can a cat swim? Why, sure!"-

New York Sun.

A Russian Sleigh Ride. George Fuller vigorously describes his first sleigh ride behind a trio of Russian fliers: "After spending two weeks in St. Petersburg in company with the general in charge of the imperial stud I proceeded to Krenovol, which is 800

miles southwest of St. Petersburg. We were met at the railway station with the regulation winter conveyance, a low sleigh, with three horses hitched abreast, a trotter in the center and a runner on each side. Then commenced the journey to the stud, and I never will forget that trip. After we were seated in the sleigh and were comfortably wrapped up in the fur robes the driver, who drives his team standing upright, gave an Indian warwhoop, and

"The first jump took away my breath. The snow flew in every direction, and as we whizzed around corners the sleigh would ride on one runner, and I expected every moment to be spilled out and have my neck broken. The driver never ceased his whooping, and altogether I think rode faster on that trip than I ever did before in my life. When I finally landed at the stud, more dead than alive, I said, 'No more Russian sleigh rides for Uncle George.' "—Breeder's Gazette.

Dangers of Illuminating Gas. Numerous accidents occur annually in the use of gas for lighting, cooking or heating through either carelessness or ignorance. The largest number of accidents probably occur from ignorant persons either blowing out the gas or turning it off and subsequently turning the cock on sufficiently for the gas to escape unnoticed.

Many other accidents are the result of the bad practice of turning down a gas flame, particularly in a bedroom. This is always ill advised, for such a turned down flame may be either blown designs to select from. out by a draft of air from an open window, or else it may be extinguished by a sudden variation or reduction in the pressure. When this happens in a small bedroom without ventilation, there is great danger of asphyxiation particularly so if water gas is used. Much can be done to avert this danger by a proper arrangement of the gas piping in houses.

Another dangerous custom is to shut off the gas at the main service or at the gas meter during the night, and numerous accidents, some of them fatal, have resulted from it. It is almost equally bad to turn off the gas at the meter during the day.-Cassier's.

Value of Dramatic Criticism. Franklin Fyles, writing of "The First Night of a Play" in New York in The Ladies' Home Journal, says that most of the men who write of plays and acting are able and honest. This, that or P. K. Gable, Proprietor. the other critic may have his whims and caprices, his likes and dislikes, and these feelings break out in his writings. But the average of judicial fairness is high. The writers are adequately paid by their employers and, as a rule, they are left untrammeled in their honest judgments. Their work is done under hard conditions, and trained men only can do it with facility. The performance is never over before 11 o'clock. Usually it lasts half an hour longer and not infrequently drags along until 12. As the "copy" must be in the office, three or four miles away, not later than 1 o'clock, there is a necessity for quick thought and composition. The critics are influential with Special efforts to give all patrons of either the public, but their judgment is not conclusive. If they were to combine to make a poor play succeed or a good play fail, they could not do it. The most they could do would be to send people to the theater or keep them away during the first week or so. After that the play would depend upon it-

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Jugs as Floats. There are various things used as floats in fishing, from the pretty little painted floats of cork up to good sized jugs, these last being used in jugging for catfish in western rivers. The jug ised as a float is tightly corked, and the rope or line that serves as a fish line is tied to the handle, the hook at the other end, on the bottom being bated with a frog or other attractive morsel. The jug may be used as a float for a single line, or two jugs may be placed as floats, one at either end of a trot line, from which a number of

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IN THE SUGAR BUSH.

Processes and Product, Though tons of maple sugar are made, for the most part in New York and Vermont, there are probably many people living on farms throughout the they have of the production of electricity, says a writer in Farm and Fireside, from whose description of the process the following items and illus-

trations are reproduced: The sugar maple is so called on account of the sugar contained in the thawing-does not need explaining. sap. The person with no experience can hardly tell the difference between it and water, as it is clear and spar- so positive as I am about the others kling and has but a faint taste of sugar. There is just about enough sugar to make it a little sickish.

In the fall the greater part of the sap | runs to it. goes from the trunk and branches into the roots, where, buried deep in the



THREE METHODS OF COLLECTING SAP. ground, it will not be chilled. In the spring, beginning in the latter part of February or first of March, according as the season is forward or backward, the sap begins to ascend the body of the tree, the greater part in the outer layers of the tree. Securing this sap as it ascends and boiling it down constitutes the work of maple sugar mak-

The first thing is to get the sap. In the early days before the bit and brace an oblique notch was cut into the tree near the ground, and from this wound the sap would of course flow. Then under the lower corner of this wound a curved hole wide from one side of the tree to the other, but narrow up and down, was made with a "gouge," and into this was driven a short wooden spout of the same shape, which caught the sap as it dropped from the cut, and thus carried it to short wooden troughs made by digging out basswood blocks. After the bit and brace came into use a hole was bored into the tree, and a round spout made from a piece of sumac from which the pith had been burned out was driven into the hole to

convey the sap to the trough. Next the wooden bucket came into use. By driving a nail into the tree un-

In the days of boiling in kettles color no incentive to keep out the dirt and cinders, for black sugar was just as sweet, and sugar lighter than chocolate was looked upon as having been adul-

The next improvement was the large pan placed upon an arch made of stone or brick. About the same time tin buckets came into use. A little later the metallic spout was invented. This is now of such shape that it fills but a small portion of the hole bored in the tree, but is held so firmly that the bucket is supported by it. It allows sap to flow from the outer lavers of the tree where there is the greatest amount of sap, and that which makes the whitest

A few sugar makers have their plant so arranged that the sap, or sirup, does not touch wood after the sap leaves the tree. At the present time color is an important factor in the value of maple sugar, and as wood tends to color it wooden utensils of all kinds have been discarded as far as possible. The maple sugar now made is of a light straw color. Any darker than



AVERAGE BOILING PLACE OF TODAY. that will not command the highest price, and if lighter adulteration with refined sugar is suspected.

The sap is gathered in a tank holding about three barrels placed on a low sled with wide runners. Roads are made through the sugar bush so the gathering tank can be driven near all

The onion thrip has been very troublesome for several years in some sections. It eats the foliage, giving a white appearance to the leaves and stopping growth. Spraying with whale oil soap, one pound to eight gallons of water, has proved effective in destroying it if applied early and often enough.

TILE DRAINAGE.

Views of a Farmer Who Finds In It Many and Lasting Benefits. Some farmers appear to think the only gain from underdraining is that the soil is dry enough to work sooner after hard rains and will yield better crops when the season is wet. But this is by no means all the benefit, according to an Ohio Farmer correspondent who is an enthusiastic advocate of tile drainage. He names and comments upon the following additional reasons for his

First, a better yield in dry seasons; second, it is easier to keep the ground clear of weeds; third, vegetables, grass, etc., are made more palatable; fourth, wheat and clover do not heave out so much by freezing and thawing; fifth, the soil does not wash so much; sixth, it makes the soil more fertile. To say that ditching prevents damthose who have never tried underdraining their land, but those who have

age by drought may seem strange to tried it know that the crops over and near a tile ditch are better in a dry spring. This is caused by the wet Books for Banks and Business Houses, given weather in the spring making the soil special attention. Magazines bound and run together and becoming compact.
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generally is over and near a tile ditch. As to the second reason—it is easier to get rid of weeds-a little observation will prove it to be correct. It is in the wet spots in the wheatfields where the wheat is killed by the water that the dock, ragweed, chess and other pests are the worst. It is the same way in the cornfield and potato patch. The low, wet places are generally the most Maple Sugar Making - The Modern

difficult to keep clean. The third advantage is that the products of well drained land are more palatable than those grown on wet land. The same variety of potatoes planted in different soils will produce potatoes United States who have no more clear of dissimilar qualities. Those grown idea of how maple sugar is made than on well drained land will cook dry and mealy, while those grown in a wet, heavy, clay soil will be of an inferior quality and will be soggy when cooked. The fourth advantage claimed—that wheat and clover are not injured so much by the ground's freezing and As to the fifth claim-that the soil does not wash so much-I am not quite The loose soil over a tile ditch will

wash easily if the tile does not have the capacity to carry all the water that As to the last claim—that it makes the soil more fertile. I mean by this that it not only makes the land more productive, but that it adds fertilizing elements to the soil the same as we do when we cover the ground with ma nure or fertilizers. Some may inquire when these elements are applied. The answer is, every day in the year and by the water and air that pass through

the soil. While a heavy coat of stable manure may make better crops for six, eight or ten years and an application of commercial fertilizer will show for severa years, if they are not renewed the soil will not show any gain from them aft er a time, but the tile ditch, like "a thing of beauty," is "a joy forever."

Winter Bee Notes.

Among timely bee notes A. H. Duff advises in Farm. Field and Fireside as

follows: If you find a good many dead bees outside the entrance of the hives after the bees have taken a fly during winter, it is a good sign that they are strong enough to clean out their hives. If you find a colony that have no dead bees at the entrance, you may conclude it is dead or so weak it is unable to do

Do not offer to feed liquid food in winter to your bees, for it is almost sure death to the colony. Begin feeding liquid feed after the weather turns warm in early spring and the bees are flying daily. You can erect windbreaks at any time during winter without molesting

the bees, and if not already done, do it

now, as it will pay you for the time

and expense. Make some candy from the best grades of sugar, and give it to the bees that you find scarce of stores about midwinter or a little later.

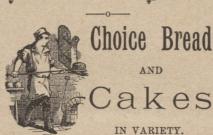


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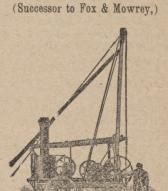


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