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From his thralldom for needed relief; If he move but his thumb, we do dumbly suc To our little commander in chief. Ah, would that the might of all rulers were quite

And would to each home might the influence We muse of all others with grief-That would cause to espouse the pure motive that

To a little commander in chief.

—Boston Courier.

SLEEPING CAR ROBBERIES OF '83 po '84. A Detective Yarn
By J. P. Barnitz.

******** We had returned from the dining car to the smoking compartment of our sleeper. There were five of us, all bound for Pacific coast points, and, having occupied the same car since leaving St. Paul, we had become pretty well acquainted with each other. There was but one other passenger in the car, an elderly, taciturn man, who, although exceedingly polite and gentlemanly in his deportment, rarely joined in the conversation when we all gath-

ered in the smoking room. "Porter," one of us asked when the darky brought some cigars we had ordered, "can you tell us the name of the gentleman in section 10?"

"Yes, sah; his name is Mr. Shortwell. He trabels a heap, he does, on dis yeah line. He's de company's chief of detectives an de only one of 'em we knows by sight. He's a-goin eb'ry place an no place all de time. But he's de whitest man on tips I'ze eber seen-'deed an 'deed he is, sah!" he replied insinuatingly.

We were passing through the great wheat district of North Dakota. The immense expanse of ripe grain glistening in the slanting rays of the fast sinking sun seemed a vast golden sea stretching away to the northern horizon. In the southwest a heavy thunderstorm was raging, the lightning vivid and grand. The thunder rolled across the plains like the distant rattle of musketry, and the sun, dipping behind the bank of black clouds, left a

finer sight than that?" remarked Mr. Shortwell as he came into the compartment and took a seat by the window. "I've seen such storms frequent-1420 thestnat street, Philas, Pas. ly in this section," he continued, "and Farms bought, sold and exchanged. Money each time I imagine I'm looking at

HENRY YOST, News Agent, Collegeville, Pa. | From the subject of storms the conpanies, while N. O. Curlin, the name panies, while N. O. Curlin, the name panies,

ences of a more or less remarkable na- to think of it, rather complacently lost ture, and we noticed Mr. Shortwell brightening up and listening intently to the accounts of our various adven-

Just as Fred Hardy, a traveling salesman for a New York jewelry house, finished relating how his trunk of valuable samples had been mistaken by a lot of train robbers for a book agent's outfit from the heft of it in a hold up on the Santa Fe two years before. Mr. Shortwell straightened up from his lounging position on the heav-

ily upholstered seat and said: "I presume, being traveling men, you all remember the series of mysterious robberies that occurred on the sleeping cars of various lines during the winter of 1883-4? At that time I was an employee of one of the best known detective agencies in the country, and when the sleeping car company which had suffered most from the depredations of the wily thief requested our agency to take hold of the matter I

was given the case.

"When I took up the scent, the thief was operating on this line, and my first move was to be employed by the sleeping car company as one of their conductors. For six or seven weeks there were no robberies reported, and I was working along in the role of a sleeping car conductor as completely in the dark as when I took hold of the case. "One night in the middle of June, just after leaving a station, where we changed engines, I walked out upon the platform of the rear sleeper in order to catch the breeze, as the air in the car was stuffy and hot. I lounged over the brake wheel, watching the lights of the town grow fainter and fainter until nothing but a pale white glow on the sky marked its site. Suddenly some one touched me lightly or the arm, and an agitated voice said:

"'Conductor, I've been robbed of al. my money! Even my watch is gone!" "My detective instincts were aroused in an instant. The opportunity for which I had been waiting had at last presented itself. I swung quickly around and followed my scantily clad passenger into the dimly lighted body of the car.

"He was a short, stout man, proba-

bly 40 or 45 years of age, and was ticketed to Butte, where, he said, he was going for the purpose of looking at a hotel property he desired to buy. He claimed to have had \$22,000 in treasury notes and drafts in a wallet which he the car. He occupied the drawing room, but, owing to the heat, had left

had been pinned and was found on the floor beside the berth. While we were discussing the matter in excited undertones in the drawing room, so as not to disturb the other passengers until certain the wallet had not worked out among the bedclothes, we were startled by a yell, or, rather, whoop, from a berth about the center of the car, and the occupant, a wealthy Montana cattleman, sprang out, shouting:

"'Thieves! Murder! Conductor, I've been robbed! Where's my gun? Stop the train!' "Of course the car was in an uproar in a minute, and I ran forward to have

the train conductor help me subdue the excitement and search for the thief. "On my way to the front of the train I roused the porter, who was dozing in the toilet room, and ordered him to lock the rear car door and then stand guard at the forward end, allowing no one to enter or leave the car until I had returned with the train conductor. "When we came back, the lights had been turned on, and all the passengers were up dressing-no women were in the car that trip-each one looking carefully through his belongings to see whether anything was missing. Beyond the loss reported to me by the passenger for Butte and that of the

cattleman, which, he said, was a little more than \$3,700, all in paper money, nothing was missing. "Although the loss of the prospective hotel buyer was seven times more than that of the cattleman, the latter was the most excited. He declared the money had been in an envelope which he had pinned to his undershirt, and a

long slit cut in the side of the outer shirt showed how the thief had secured his booty. "The same passengers were in the

car as were there when we left Minneapolis, and I was positive no one had got on at any of the stations that night, stop, and either the porter or myself had stood at the front door until the train had started, when it, too, was locked. This precaution I had taken every night since assuming my position as conductor. Every nook and cranny of the car was searched for the missing valuables, but to no purpose. "After much talk it was finally

agreed that the two men who had been robbed should search the rest of us so that no suspicion might be fastened on any occupant of the car. When the man from Butte had divested himself of his clothes, it was noticed that his chest presented a curious appearance. Across the breast was a long, livid scar, resembling a heavy welt, and the cuticle below it hung in thick folds to the waist, with here and there queer, knotty protuberances. This condition, the man said, had been caused by an accident, he having been caught between a belt and a rapidly

revolving shaft in a factory where he worked in his earlier life. "It is hardly necessary for me to say that this search was as fruitless in results as was the search of the car, but it had the effect of easing each one's other with distrust, except that the cattle dealer, I noticed, frowned rather malignantly upon the porter, which class of individuals, as you well know, are usually suspected of being the perpetrators of all sleeping car robberies. "I took the names and addresses of both men who had suffered losses and from the loss of self respect. made a full report to the sleeping car

company and the detective agency, also sending messages to the foremen of all repair gangs as far east as Minneapolis train by the thief.

his actions the more it grew upon me that the man was crooked and must have been in some way connected with the theft of the stockman's money and

sight. "The more I thought of him and of had really never been robbed himself. But then, again, if he was the guilty party, what could he have done with the money? Ah, that was the mystery! And I then and there resolved to go on the track of Curlin, if possible, and have him shadowed. "Two weeks after this experience I

received a telegram from the agency to report at the head office in Chicago without delay. Upon my arrival there I was told of a robbery which had occurred in a sleeper on one of the southwestern roads and was ordered to the office of General Manager Sterling of the line at St. Louis. "In looking over the report made to

that officer relative to the case and from the description given by one of the passengers who had been robbed, of another passenger whom the victim claimed he had seen by the dim lamplight peering through the slightly parted curtains into his berth, I recognized "The man had been searched; but, as

in the case when he was my passenger, there was nothing found on him, and he was allowed to go, loudly protesting against the treatment he had received and vowing he would secure reparation through the courts. "I wrote up as good a description of

the fellow as I could from memory and had several hundred circulars printed. These were sent to heads of detective departments of all the large railway lines in the country, with instructions to have Curlin arrested on suspicion of being the thief in this latest robbery and, in case of his apprehension, to notify General Manager Sterling, who would take steps to have him brought to Kansas, in which state the crime had been committed.

"A little more than a month afterward the gentleman was captured in New Orleans as he was about to purchase a ticket for Atlanta. In due course of time he was taken to Topeka, where he was identified by the passenger who had accused him of theft and was committed to jail for the action of the grand jury.

"Upon my advice a photograph of the man stripped to the waist was taken had shoved in the pillowcase with the and forwarded to me. Sure enough, it pillow, pinning up the open end and was Curlin. Our agency had half tone putting that end against the side of cuts made of the photographs, and another set of circulars were printed which were sent to our correspondents in Europe

"Within six weeks a reply came from London saying the party referred to in the circular was undoubtedly F. S Lashby, a notorious car and hotel thief, known as 'Franklin, the Kangaroo Man,' from the fact that he had been exhibiting himself in museums, having a pouch of skin on his breast similar t that found on the female kangaroo. "We were advised to have him exam ined by a physician, when he would likely give in and confess his crime, as

he had done in Leeds, England, some years previous. "This advice was acted upon, and the rogue really did confess. He stated that after robbing a victim he had spotted he dropped the plunder in the

pouch he had caused to grow on his breast and that before being tripped up in England had secured quite a snug sum of money. "He was careful not to exhibit his peculiar formation in this country and had hoped to pick up a fortune, when he intended to go to his home in Aus-

tralia. I believe the fellow would have succeeded, too, had it not been for the 'tip' we got from the English authorities. Nothing could ever be found on him, and it would have been an exextremely hard matter indeed to convict him. "Upon being pressed for an explanation as to how he had caused the growth of the pouch on his body he

said that while studying medicine in Melbourne he had seen in a side show of a circus an elastic skin man, which condition, the freak had told him, was brought about by a continual pulling and stretching of the cuticle. "He began to experiment upon him

self, and, finding how loose the skin was getting, the novel idea of producing a kangaroolike pouch on his chest took possession of him, and, being of a roving disposition, he determined to become a freak, if possible. By traveling about and exhibiting himself he could easily earn enough money to defray expenses.

"After getting the skin thoroughly loosened up over his chest he made an incision in length about five inches directly across the breast bone in line with the fifth rib. Pulling the wound apart, he packed it with antiseptic gauze, each day pulling more and more renewal of the gauze forcing a greater

work, more or less suffering and several narrow escapes from blood poisoning, his will power triumphed. The desired result was obtained, and he set out to exhibit himself as the 'Great | lia, Mo., and it was during that winter Australian Freak, Franklin, the Kan-

"As may be imagined, his success was phenomenal, and he became wealthy beyond his fondest dreams; but, like

"He soon became so addicted to drink that he failed to fulfill his engagements, and his managers forsook him one after another. It was not long until he took to thieving, and had it not been that he was known as a freak in | the whole crew was kept busy chasing mind. No one now looked upon the | England it is hardly likely that he | them off the train. As far as I was would ever have been convicted in that

"Like others, too, of the criminal class, he chose that life after he once | that when a man is willing to take entered it in preference to an honest pursuit of wealth partly from the excitement connected with it and partly "It is strange, but unless he distended the pouch no one would have

thought the appearance of his chest

due to anything but the accidental to hunt along the track for any wallets | cause he stated. The upper part of the | over a dozen poor fellows unload from | battling armies, the victorious forces robbery, it remained as deep a mys- destination, and I'll bid you goodby. sounds to you like a 'pipe,' coming ing of it for the first time.

a small fortune, had dropped out of A BRAVE LITTLE ANT.

WILLING TO LOSE HIS OWN LIFE TO

SAVE HIS FELLOWS. A Naturalist's Interesting Story of the Heroism Displayed by One of These Tiny Creatures In a Moment of Extreme Peril. The sun was just setting, writes a

naturalist, when I returned, slightly fatigued, from several miles' ride on my wheel. As is my custom on returning home, I took the garden hose and turned water into a great trench which had been dug around a maple tree for the purpose of holding water a sufficient time to permit the dirt adjacent to the roots to become thoroughly soaked Sitting down near the tree to rest,

my attention was soon attracted to a group of small ants rushing hither and thither in an endeavor to escape. The bottom of the circular ditch being covered, about 20 of the ants sought safety on a large clod of earth. At first they were scattered about over the highest part of the little mound and to all appearances were indifferent as to their surrounndings.

After a little one of the number proceeded leisurely around the little island, and after finishing the circuit it hurried back to its companions. It appeared that they then for the first time realized that they were surrounded by water. The survey was repeated several times in quick succession. The group of ants gathered more closely together and seemed to be in a state of restless anxiety.

As the water rose the circuit grew less, the vigil more earnest and the excitement more intense with each return of the sentinel. They rushed about over each other in a terrible state of agitation, for the water was rapidly approaching. There was now nardly room for them to stand on-just a little white, and that would be soon under water. They ceased struggling, settled down into motionless inactivity and seemed entirely resigned to their

I picked up a little stick and laid it across the water to the point where the ants were. They seemed dazed and did not instantly take advantage of the means of escape afforded them. One then crawled hurriedly up on the stick and went its length out and over the blades of grass on to the dry land. Without a second's hesitation he turned and retraced his steps back to his companions. Now the smallest one of Memphis Scimitar. the group returned with him to dry land. They both retraced their steps, and the work of rescue began. The rest seemed passive, entirely subservient to the will of these two. Each, with a companion, hastened out to a place of safety.

The small one was much the more active, she rescuing about three to the larger's two. Time was precious, as the water was rapidly rising. It would soon be running around the outer end of the stick, and the island was melting away. One by one they were taken out, the guide accompanying the rescued one each time to a place of security. Why they did not all follow the first one out when he returned puzzled me, but they did not. The smaller ant now hurried forth with the last one. Still he was not content and rushed back in search of others.

The little hillock was now melted away, and he turned to seek safety for himself. He did not seem as much concerned as before. He did not hasten on as when conscious of rescuing oth ers. The water was running around seemed closed to him forever. He went to the highest point and settled down perfectly still. His previous conduct convinced me that he now fully real-

Must the bravest of them all thus die when he could have easily made his escape long ago? He willingly risked his own life that he might save others. Could a more genuine example of heroism be found in human annals? Could a more striking example of brotherly love and unselfish devotion be shown? Could a more earnest solicitude for the life of others be instanced? I think not. Within his own power this little insect had no possible means of escape. He did not fear death; neither did he

die, but he was last to escape. I lifted the stick from the water and laid it on the ground. He crawled hurriedly away to his companions, whom he had so recently torn from the grasp of death. Whatever I may have done for them. I can but feel that in this example the little hero ant did much more for me.-St. Louis Globe-Demo-

WHERE ONE HOBO RODE.

It Was Under the Locomotive Pilot and He Became Sorry. A St. Louis railroad man, while talk ing with a reporter, related a curious incident of his early road life which happened while he was braking on the

Missouri Pacific out of St. Louis. "In 1893," said he, "I was running on a freight between St. Louis and Sedathat I ran across something that laid it over all I ever saw in the way of hoboing. Now, of course, I've seen bums riding in all ways and places imaginable, and to see a man hanging to the many other people, money was his rods of a fast freight or perched on the pilot is not surprising to me, but thiswell. let me tell you.

"We had been some time out of Sedalia, hitting a pretty good gait toward off .- Philadelphia Record. St. Louis. That winter the hobos along the line of the 'Mop' were a fright, and concerned personally, they could have experience which rather inclines me to all had 'transportation,' for I have been on the road myself and believe | that town ought to establish a spelling such big chances of life and limb to get benefit. I was in a building occupied over the country a fellow need not put | by publishers, and the elevator had a himself out of his way to find him. disk over each gate with a hand point-But, then, the company had different | ing to the different numbers on it views in regard to the matter, and we | showing where the cage was at any had to chase them or lose out. That given time. The characters on the night-and it was cold enough to freeze | disk were 'S-1-2-3-4-5-6,' and I was the whiskers off a polar bear-I made stumped on the S. that might have been thrown from the | wound hung over the lower edge and | the 'decks' and rods and felt sorry for | inquired of the boy, or young man, seemed simply a great, horrid scar. every one of them when they hit the when I got aboard.

sweeping on, leaving fire and destructively as had the preceding ones. The By the way, Lashby's term in the Kantion in their wake. The forces of na-tion in their wake. The forces of na-last I heard of the incident was that sas penitentiary will expire in a few "Well, it wasn't long before we pullture are truly marvelous, are they not?"

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as we got to the end of the incident was that the sas peritentary win expire in the stockman had entered suit against the stockman had ente

his fireman, to back up, so that he floor, you know.' could oil and wipe his links. Dan was cleaning his fire at the time; so, giving later I was informed that the S stood | the observatory at Vassar was an init a final swipe with his slash bar, he for 'street,' or the street floor."-Washbacked up; but, being a little careless, ington Star. he pulled back too far, bringing the pilot half way over the pile of redhot

coals he had just raked from the fire-"Just about that time I thought old man Brennan was going to throw a fit, and I got a pretty severe shock myself. Before Dan could let go the throttle it seemed to me bedlam had broke loose

"'Lemme out!' yelled some one. 'Lemme out! Move her up! Oh, Lord, I'm heap of work to do when I get home. burnin up!' The sounds came from under the pilot. Rushing round to the front, we saw a hobo, not on the pilot, but squirming around on the cross braces underneath it, yelling for all that was in him. "In a moment Dan had moved the

machine up so as to put the poor fellow away from the fire, and while he beat out with his dirty paws his blazing coattails he still cused, coughing all the while like an engine coming up "'How in Sam Hill,' roared old Bren-

nan, not relishing the dressing down the hobo gave him-'how in Sam Hill did you git under my pilot?' "'I got here when dis bloomin teakettle was over de pit at Sedalia, but for development. youse fellows needn' try to barbecue

me for dat, need you?' "Oh. but old Brennan was wrathy! 'Come out o' dat, ye dirty porch climber, or I'll set ye back over the fire.' "'How c'n I git out wid dis track under me?' the hobo yelled back.

"T'ink I c'n dig t'rough it?" "Brennan saw that it was impossible till another roundhouse was reached. able to bring rain with him. The cap-This enterprising 'tourist' had crawled tain exhibited photos of Abyssinian into the pilot while the engine stood over the pit in the Sedalia roundhouse and of course could not get out till another pit was placed under him. Although he had plenty of room to sit, it. was a very hazardous place to ride, for paign of 1884. He idolized Blaine, and in a wreck death would be certain. for years there was bad blood between When we reached Chamois, 25 miles farther on, where there was a roundhouse, the poor devil was released. or greater than, the plumed knight. But he was a sight to see. His coattails were burned off, his whiskers and was groggy from sulphur smoke and

Recently an Illinois congressman, while at home, received a letter from one of his constituents who had secured a position in Washington. The writquest, but simply asked the congressman to go to the house of his constituent, get an old pair of shoes and mail

dacity of his correspondent, and, it is needless to say, he did not comply with uents asking him to secure the voter a position as bartender in this city. As this is not in line with the work of a congressman and as Uncle Sam does not employ any one in this capacity, this request was also turned down. One morning the same member was amused by finding in his mail a letter from one of his constituents who is in

love with a young woman residing in the statesman's district. The writer said he knew the member had considerable influence and modestly requested him to exert it to bring about a marriage between the two persons in question. He went on to explain how much property the young woman own- of sand between the boat and the town. ed, how charming and beautiful she is and the intensity of the love he had for her. While the congressman was willing to favor his constituent, he did | there, going to bed without having gone not know just how to go about it, as he is not running a matrimonial bureau.— Chicago Tribune.

A certain well to do housekeeper in West Chester discovered one day last week that there wasn't a grain of pepper in the house. She always had her groceries sent to her from a big Philadelphia firm, but on occasions like this she was in the habit of patronizing a four or five times and gave him some West Chester grocer whose store was | much needed information."-Washingnear by. Therefore she condescended to call up the local grocer by telephone and place with him her order for a quarter of a pound of pepper, to be delivered at once. The grocer is a patient man, and he talked very politely over the telephone. Afterward, however, he swore; then he laughed. He laughed loud and long and remarked o himself occasionally: "Good idea!

About half an hour later the well to do housekeeper was somewhat surprised to see a great, clumsy dray drive up before her door and back up to the curb. In the middle of the dray was a tiny package done up in yellow paper. The drayman, after taking particular care to get his huge wagon in proper position, adjusted the board from the tailboard to the house steps and, with a thick stanchion, proceeded to slowly pry the tiny package off the dray. With infinite care he rolled it on to the step, the amazed housekeeper meanwhile watching the proceeding from the doorway. Then the drayman soberly presented the grocer's bill for the quarter pound of pepper and drove

Our Slandered Elevator Boys. "I was over in New York the other day," said an official, "and I had an school fund for general and individual

"'What is the S for on the disk?' I

"Despite all efforts to clear up the "Well, friends, we're getting to my grit through the snow. Of course this "S?" he repeated as if he were hear-"'Yes, S,' I said. 'I understand the my being the possessor of a Vandyke the pivot of the card being in the same

Brennan, the finest 'eagle eye' who ever stands for cellar, of course. 'That's jerked a throttle, called to Dan Hines, when you go down below the first "But somehow I didn't know, and

> Didn't Hurry the Train. A railroad conductor on the afternoon train of the Yazoo and Mississippi Valley road was staggered one day by the request of a very plainly dressed woman.

She approached the conductor while

the train was waiting at the South Memphis station and said: "Mister, I wish you would git an early start this evening, for I've got a We just moved down into the delta from 'Alabam,' and we ain't got things straightened around yet. It will be a big accommodation to me if I git down

ome before sundown." The conductor, polite as conductors usually are, promised the woman he would do the best he could, but the train left on the regular schedule

White Men and Thunder. In a paper read before the British association Captain Welby described a journey in King Menelek's dominions. He stated that in the Abyssinians there lay a mint of pluck, energy and intelligence which was merely waiting

He noticed that those tribes who relied for food solely on milk and meat were of finer physique than those favored with cereals as well, while others dependent solely on fish and herbs were, as a rule, miserable individuals. He came across one tribe who held the notion that whenever there was thunder a white man was born, and for him to come from under the pilot hence it was thought that he must be

> giants over seven feet in height. Boutelle and Blaine. They used to tell a good story about Boutelle in connection with the camhim and Reed, because Reed acted as

though he thought himself as great as, The story is that Boutelle accompanied Blaine on his western tour in hair were singed, one of his 'lamps' | 1884. When the special pulled out of New York, Boutelle rushed over to flying grit, and, on the whole, to quote | Blaine's seat, his face white with anold man Brennan, he looked like a ger and his voice vibrant with passion. 'raveled top spring on a rainy day.'"- Holding in his trembling hands a copy of the New York Tribune, he pointed to an article and exclaimed, "Was there ever such fatuous blundering as

For half an hour he commented on the article to the half score persons who had gathered round. The Tribune was Blaine's chief organ, as every one knew, but the flery Yankee of French extraction continued to pour hot shot into it. Finally Blaine said, "Charley, do you know who wrote that and procured its insertion in The Tribune? "No," was the answer, "but I take it that it was Whitelaw Reid or some other infernal fool." "You are wrong, Charley," replied

une print it."-Washington Cor. Louisville Courier-Journal. "It rains a great deal in the Puget sound country," says a man from that part of the Union, "and I heard a funny incident not long ago about it. Some chap had come from the Mississippi valley to take up his residence at Whatcom, on Bellingham bay, where there are very high tides. When the boat landed him at the end of the long pier extending over the tide flats, the water was low, and the new man did not notice anything but a wide stretch

Blaine. "I wrote it and had The Trib-

"It was in the evening, about dark, and was raining, and he went to the hotel on the front street and staid out for a walk. The next morning when he got up he looked out, and the tide was in, the water coming up close to the hotel. He gazed at the widespread waters for an instant, and, throwing up his hands in astonishment, he exclaimed, 'Gee whiz, but it must have rained hard last night!'

"Then he hurried down stairs to the office to find out if there was any danger from the flood, and the clerk smiled

Yes-What? A good story is going the rounds at year's graduate, a dutiful son and an industrious student, yet withal a somewhat liberal youth. At the beginning was just setting out for Europe, said

"Now, Harry, you get your degree, and I'll send for you to come over and travel all summer.' Harry was delighted. "Father," said he, "I will." He studied faithfully all the college year and in June went through with flying colors. Then he

his impulsive offer. He mused over the message, wondered and then cabled The son was in turn perplexed, but, being a well trained lad, he did not remain long in the dark and, fired by du-

But the father, alas, had forgotten

teous zeal, cabled back: "Yes, sir." Letters of explanation followed, and he won the "grand tour." - Atlanta

"The quickest shave I ever got," remarked the buyer for an oil mill. "was tle about it. It is divided into 32 while I was in Texas a couple of years or so ago. I was wearing a full beard

An incredulous smile stole over the countenance of more than one of his a central cap of agate, the point of suslisteners and was breaking into a laugh, when the oil mill man contin-"You see I was caught in one of

those terrific sandstorms they have swiftly moving sand caught me full | magnets near the compass to overcome in the face. That sand blast played | the pull of the ship. On the inside of

One Thing That Won't Stop. Maria Mitchell, who has been called the "Mother of the Stars," when professor of astronomy and director of spiring teacher, and, in spite of her brusque manner and severity, was adored by her pupils. Every spring just before the commencement she gave a "dome party" to the girls. Small tables were placed around the large telescope in the observatory, and roses from Miss Mitchell's own garden brightened the atmosphere. Nonsense poems were a feature of these breakfasts, and the astronomer was proud of her skill in writing them. She was not without a keen sense of fun, in spite of her constant and absorbing duties, as was shown by her dryly consoling observation to an awestricken student whom she was leaving one day in charge of the instruments of the observatory. Looking back at the worried face of the girl, Miss Mitchell

"And, remember, if the chronometer stops, the universe won't stop."-New York Commercial Advertiser.

The Emergency Clerk. "I ran across a clerk here who is worth his weight in gold, or, at least, in gold bricks," said a guest at one of the hotels. "If I was in business in New Orleans, I would get that man if I had to chloroform and abduct him. The way I discovered his merits was this: I was standing in a store down the street, waiting for my wife to decide what she didn't want, when a tailor made girl walked up and asked to see some golf clubs. The young man behind the counter showed her several, and in a few moments she found one that suited her and went away with it under her arm.

"'Are there many players in New Orleans?' I asked after she had gone. "'Oh, yes; quite a number!' replied the clerk affably.

"'Have you golf links here?' I continued, getting interested. "A look of real pain crossed the young man's face. 'I am sorry,' he said, 'very sorry, but the fact is we sold our last golf links this morning. However, we have ordered a new stock.' he added, brightening up, 'and they will be here in a few days. Which did you wish, the plain or the-er-fan-

cy links?' "A clerk like that is beyond price, sir, perfectly invaluable. Ten years hence I expect to find him a merchant prince." - New Orleans Times-Democrat.

"Why did you take that man's case? the fresh graduate of the law school asked after his father, the old attorney, had bowed a client out of the office. "There is no possibility that you can win it for him. One glance at his face shows that he is the briber and all around rascal he is accused of be-

"Is that so?" the old man replied. "I'm sorry to hear it-really sorry. I wish I had known it."

"Why, you must have been able to see for yourself if you are any judge of character at all." "I am usually pretty good at such things, but I must confess that I didn't

"Didn't see his face!" "No. He had a wallet in his hand that took my eye. Now you go to work and copy off that brief, and after this if you want to learn the business watch me, not the other fellow's face."-Chicago Times-Herald.

While camped in the Wallapai mountains recently there came to my camp from off the Santa Fe Pacific an English overland tourist, and, after passing the usual salutations and greetings, the stranger proposed to join the desert express train of burros and try his luck prospecting. The first camp was made at Maggie Springs. where stood an old miner's cabin. In the morning he proposed to help cook breakfast and built a rousing fire in the old fireplace of the cabin and started to fry the bacon. All at once a startled expression came from the embryo cook, and, turning quickly, I discovered a large king snake sizzling in the frying pan. The chimney getting hot had dislodged his snakeship, and down he came into the hot grease .-Yuma (A. T.) Sun.

The tabernacle at Salt Lake City is, n respect to its acoustic properties, the most remarkable place of worship Harvard college concerning a last in the world. It is constructed to hold 25,000 people, yet it is possible for a person standing at one end to distinct ly hear the sound of a pin dropped into of his concluding year his father, who a hat at the other, a test of its curious power to convey sound which is offered to every stranger who is shown over the building.

"So you proposed to Miss De Vere!"

"Yes," answered Willie Washington, "What did she say?" "I don't remember. I heard her tell a friend she was going to see how many proposals she could get this season, and I thought it would only be po-

lite of me to help out."-Washington The longest canal in the world is the Erie, in New York, extending from Albany to Buffalo, a distance of 381 miles. The cost of construction was \$52,540,

Facts About Compasses Much as the average schoolboy reads about the mariner's compass, when it comes to the point he knows very lit-

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E. S. MOSER, Editor and Proprietor.

Thursday, March 15, 1900

THE Boers propose peace and ask for what they demanded before the opening of hostilities. The English will not grant peace upon any such terms.

ized and armed factions at the State Capital. Bloodshed may

GENERAL ROBERTS, the commander of the English forces, has completed his march upon Bloemfontein and will be likely to affect an occunation of the town in a few days.

THE twelfth juror at the Norristown court who recently convinced the eleven that he was right, may nevertheless have taken wrong views of the case under considermately correct lines of justice.

During the last year 27,202,907 bushels of grain and 2,198,513 gallons of molasses were used for the manufacture of liquor in this country, which produced 107,618,-109,275,928. This is about one gallon and a half for every man, woman and child in the country.

THE last legislative step in the enactment of the financial bill was taken by the House of Representavote of 166 yeas, 120 nays, present and not voting 10. The Senate had already adopted the conference redent McKinley to affix his signature to the measure to make it a

HUNTING TROUBLE AND FINDING IT.

"We visited the county alms- kind of evidence most to be desired, house, and upon investigation we However, we shall for ample reamost emphatically condemn the sons believe, until such time as a management of the present admin- full and impartial investigation istration of this institution as conducted by present officials.

"We recommend the censuring of the inmates of the Almshouse are McGlinchey for the partiality well fed, well clothed, and generally shown in the use of one of the out- well cared for, and, from a medibuildings by some of the inmates, more especially at night.

"The sanitation of the hospital is the worst possible. No ventilation whatever, which causes offensive odors, and the heating system is very poor. The condition of the hospital and treatment of inmates is a disgrace to the county.

erection of a new hospital building, and also recommend the appointment of a resident physician and one or more efficient nurses. Upon neglect upon the part of the phys-

ician in his attention to the sick. "We received numerous complaints from the sick in regard to their diet.

the steward and the condition of stables and barn, we find them in good condition.

And, as a timely and pertinent protest to the foregoing the Directtors of the Poor, the Steward, and the Physician, have caused to be issued to the people of Montgomery county the following :

of the poor of Montgomery county, and steward and physician at the sent sundry deregatory statements sand intelligent, well-educated wo- House Committee on Commerce contained in the published report men, many of whom are taxpayers, provides for the laying of the cable court as false and misleading, and as constituting a wholly unjustifiable (if not malignant) attack upon by year being subjected to "taxa- by a private corporation, this govpublic servants who have endeav- tion without representation." There ored to perform their entire duty is ample room for more justice in for twenty years for the transmisability. In view of the statements aforesaid we challenge the Grand Jury as a whole or in part to cause to be made by the proper legal authority, a thorough and exhaustive investigation into all the affairs at the almshouse. We are prepared to prove to the entire satisfaction of unbiased minds that various portions of said report are without grown thicker since the bill has of a quarter million dollars, through sufficient foundation in fact, and in been before the Senate. All sorts Congress.

some respects cruelly unjust. as targets for the shafts of factional political rancor or to submit without serious protestation to the un. the supporters and opponents of a deserved condemnation of arbitrary tariff on Porto Rican products. authority, and, therefore, demand a | Those who advocate free trade say | rigid investigation-an investiga- that it was the sugar and tobacco ing thousands of signatures of tion that will investigate; and let the brand of falsification lodge where it belongs.

FRANK EPPEHEIMER, WM. H. KUDER, ALLEN O. BIELER. Directors of the Poor. A. D. ALDERFER, Steward. M. Y. WEBER,

performance of their duties, or, the by the President. management at the Almshouse has PARTISANS of the rival Governors able them to gratify every wish and quired, of the United States, and and the Transvaal, but also to proof Kentucky constitute two organ- desire of the unfortunate ones-in- that "while the misguided Fili- tect the criminal Boers from the

bers of the Grand Jury interviewed ing us. and interrogated a number of ination. The jury system is capable mates. Those who failed to utter for treaties to be referred to the of many variations from approxi- complaints or spoke favorable of Finance Committee of the Senate, the treatment they received were that course is to be taken with the 120 gallons of spirits and 1,657,808 say in their own defense, to ascer- upon by the Senate on the ground gallons of rum, making a total of tain by fair and impartial methods that it deals with matters which of investigation whether the specific will affect the revenues of the govcharges or complaints they had ernment. listened to could be substantiated or not, but forthwith proceeded to formulate sweeping condemnatory statements. Does such a line of peculiar inquisition form a legitimate part of the authoritative duty tives Tuesday, when the conference of a Grand Juror? If it does, then report on the bill was adopted by a God save the Commonwealth, the Honorable Court, and the Montgomery County Almshouse! Along such a line members of a future port, so it remains only for Presi- Grand Jury may be quite able to gather from some of the more troublesome inmates the startling opinion that the Directors of the Poor should be executed and the Steward and the Physician dropped into the Schuylkill from Black A part of the report of the Rock Bridge. Certainly. A jury-Grand Jury to the March term of man, or anybody else, can go among study the evidence in these con- express their views to the world, court relates to the Almshouse the inmates of the almshouse, any tests and report to the House imday of the week, and obtain any

petently treated by a physician of unquestioned ability. The Grand Jury has raised a serious issue, and the Directors of the Poor, the Steward, and the Physician have, very properly in-"We earnestly recommend the deed, demanded that a rigid investigation be made to determine the issue raised; to decide whether the Almshouse officials have been and investigation we find very much are inefficient public servants, or, whether the Grand Jury shall convict the Grand Jury of misrepresentation. The accused Almshouse Taylor's suggestion. officials are quite ready to meet the "Regarding the apartments of issue. Let it be promptly forced to a finality.

shall prove to the contrary, that all

cinal standpoint, that they are com-

yet these women are kept beneath the "illiterate voters," and are year the world, but the difficulty is in sion of government message. getting hold of the article.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

From our Regular Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Mar. 9, 1900. of amendments have been and are "We flatly refuse to meekly serve being proposed, and the wildest sort of talk is being indulged in by trusts which forced the House school children to a paper that is to to pass the bill imposing a duty of be cabled to President Kruger, ex-15 per cent. on Porto Rican pro- pressing their sympathy for the ducts, while the tariff advocates are | Boers in the present war with Engequally positive in asserting that land. the two trusts named are responsible for much of the clamor for free grandest institutions the world has trade. Both claims cannot possibly ever furnished, and it is delightful be true, and probably neither is. to see him jump in on all fours on As a monotony disturber along The whole truth is that Porto Rico any question, whether right or the line of Grand Jury inquisitorial is being made the foot ball of par. wrong. The chivalrous boy is aleffort the extracts, as hereinbefore tisan politics. The bill as passed ways for the under dog, and that is The Independent, presented, from the report to the by the House may be amended, but probably as far as they have got in March court, constitute a bewilder. it is not giving the majority of tho studying the war between the Enging success. For many years past | Senate credit for ordinary political | lish and and the Boers, but right or

approved the official management feated. of the Montgomery County Alms- Both branches of Congress fin- line.

Senator Lodge made a long only quite recently exhibited evi- speech this week in favor of the dences of inefficiency and imbe- bill authorizing the President to cility. The latter conclusion we act in his discretion in regulating believe to be substantially incor- the affairs of the Philippines until rect and unjust. The Directors, Congress shall see fit to further the Steward and the Physician have legislate on the subject, and Senanot acquired either personal or tor Sullivan offered a resolution deofficial perfection, they have not claring that the Philippines are the enforce the abolition of slavery in reached the position that might en- rightful property, honorably accluding a certain proportion of pinos continue the present war, chronic fault-finders and profes- brought on by them, against the the bordering African tribes, by sional bummers—who come under rightful authority of the United stealing their men and women into their control. The attainment of States, so long as a single gun in slavery. such a unique and heretofore unoc- their hands is trained upon our cupied point of exalted achievement | flag, no expression of intention as would indeed be likely to necessi- to the future course of the United tate prompt demise and transporta- States with respect to them should tion, with or without wings, to be made by the Senate." Mr. Sullisome other and far more perfect van's resolution is both sensible and patriotic. No bribe in the Upon their recent visit to the shape of promises should be given Almshouse one or more of the mem the Filipinos while they are fight-

Although it is not the usual thing asked : "Are you paid to talk this French reciprocity treaty which has way?" showing that the inquisi- been favorably reported by the comtors were imbued with the notion mittee on Foreign Relations. The that something must be wrong any- Finance Committee asked that the how! These Jurymen did not halt treaty be referred to it for considerto enquire what the officials had to ation and report before being voted

Representative Taylor, of Ohio, who has made a record as chairman of one of the House Committees on Elections, has some ideas on contested elections in the House that deserve more than passing consideration, because, if adopted, they would remove those cases from the field of partisan politics, where they often do injustice. He said: "I have often wondered whether a commission of a judicial character and sufficient tenure of office to insure independence of action could not be created to pass upon contested election cases in the House. Such a commission should be composed of men of high character, see the Philadelphia schoolboys whose sole duties should be to pitch in after their own fashion and partially its findings. The Constitution, to be sure, imposes upon the are sending their congratulations House the duty of determining the and sympathy to Kruger will stand qualifications of its members, and as an object lesson in their future that function could not be delegated to a commission. The work of the advance in intelligence. Hurran Commission could, however, be ad- for the American boy ! visory. Its decisions, if made by eminent men, would be respected by

the House, and could be accepted

with assurance that something like

with us in settling election contests,

gested, has been authorized, and I

factory." The fact that the House has just spent an entire week in disposing of two contested election cases adds to the pertinence of Mr. Bills for the laying of a Pacific cable have been favorably reported both to the Senate and the House, Total receipts, but the two bills are radically differ-A RECENT careful investigation in eut. The bill reported by the Sen-Maryland brought to light the fact ate Naval Committee provides for that there are in that State 44,923 the laying of a cable by the governilliterate voters, of whom 18,307 are ment from San Francisco to Manila white and 26,616 colored. One- via. Honolulu, Midway Islands and fifth of the number are in the city Guam, and ultimately for its extenof Baltimore, and the total propor- sion to Hong Mong; that portion "We, the undersigned, directors tion of illiterate to the whole vote of the cable between San Francisco of the State is about one-sixth. In and Honolulu to be laid immedialmshouse, hereby emphatically re- Maryland there are also many thou- ately. The bill reported from the connecting this country with Hawaii, the Philippines and Japan

> Senator Hoar will not find it an easy matter to get the amendment, which he has given notice of his intention to offer to the Diplomatic appropriation bill, for the payment -The Porto Rico muddle has to ex-Queen Lilioukalani, of Hawaii,

ernment to pay \$300,000 annually

THE BOYS AND KRUGER.

From the Philadelphia Times. We heartily commend the enthusiastic energy with which the school boys of the city are procur-

The American boy is one of the every Grand Jury, with the excep- shrewdness to say that they will wrong, we are pround of the Philation of the last one, unqualifiedly allow a party measure to be de- delphia boys who propose to have

house. A similar observation ap- ished the financial legislation of By and by these school children

THE INDEPENDENT plies to the reports of numerous the session this week, by passing will grow up to be men and women. visits made by representatives of the bill providing for the gold and as they get on in intelligence, the State Board of Charities. One standard and for refunding the observation and experience, they of two conclusions is to be derived bonded indebtedness of the country | will discover that the Boer is a very from this observation: Previous with 2 per cent. bonds, as reported bad sort of a barbarian, who is Grand Juries and Charity officials from the Conference Committee, fanatical in his religion to cover have been woefully derelict in the and the bill will be promptly signed every form of brutal oppression. They formed the South African Republic primarily because the English Government denied them the right in Cape Colony to wallen their niggers. They profess to learn from the Bible that the nigger has no soul: that he is a mere animal, and the English have been compelled repeatedly, not only to what is now the Orange Free State vengeance they had provoked from

> They will also learn that Kruger went to London when bankrupt, not many years ago, sold the valuable mine properties now held by the English, for which he and his friends received over a million of dollars, and gave the most absolute promise of protection to person and property, and participation in the government of the Republic. The revenues of the Kruger republic were then \$250,000 a year and the government bankrupt. By English development the taxes, paid almost wholly by the English residents, imposed upon them by the Kruger government without the right of representation now amount to \$20,-000,000, which would be \$2,000 annually for every Boer family in the Republic, or six times as much as the average Boer family expends.

These children will also learn that an English city in the South African Republic, built up wholly by English capital and contributing tenfold more to the Treasury of the Republic than all the Boers within it, is absolutely denied the right to have any voice whatever, even in its own municipal regulations. It cannot pave a street or build a sewer without the consent of the Kruger authority. They are held in abject slavery solely for the purpose of robbery, and the chief resentment of the Boers against the English to this day is their lingering hatred of the English for denying the Boers the right to steal Zulus as slaves and wollop them as a matter of

pious amusement. But all the same, we are glad to and especially to Kruger. The present exercise will be a wholesome one, and the fact that they lives to make them study the history of the world with care, as they

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While we are selling Muslin, Calicoes and Ginghams at less than we would if we had to buy them now, we still follow our usual custom of holding a Special Winter Sale. 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

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

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, shing tackle, etc. Blacksmiths' Supplies.

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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. Thankful to the public for past favors, I invite continued patronage.

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HOUSEFURNISHING. worth 45., now 25c. Solid Double Zinc HOUSEFURNISHING.

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These items are no more attractive than many others that we have not room to mention:

Enameled Tea Kettles, nicely finished, worth 35c., now 24c. Enameled Tea Pots, worth 35c., now 24c. Enameled Sauce Pans,

department. Not old stock nor shop-worn goods, but odds and ends of fresh, saleable articles, picked off the counters and thoroughly up-to-date. You will be surprised at some things we include in this "end sale," but the gain is all yours, for the prices have been cut to about half.

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perfect, actually worth \$1, at 65 cents; colors, tan, mode, steel and brown.

Outing Flannel 5c. per yard. Cannot be bought wholesale for near that money.

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Cent Quality 23 Cents.

5 and 6 yard pieces of embroidery also at half regular rates.

Liberty Sateen and Mouseline Collarettes

ing adjuncts to ladies' apparel. You will certainly save money if it suits you to buy White Plaid and Striped Muslin.

included in this reduction sale, although the season is just opening for these charm-

suitable for children's aprons, 5 cents a yard. Some patterns have been 121/2 cents. from one to three inches in width, which ranged from 10 to 15 cents a yard, NOW

Misses' and Children's Wool Stockings

were 25 and 50 cents a pair, now 2 pairs for 25 cents.

Brendlingers,

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And your store, for, by your pleasto be opened this spring is harness and wagons, carriages, buggies, another new line under the managebusiness and can fill your wants. About April first this stock will be ready to show to the public, and, in the meantime, come in and talk it over with Mr. Williams, the manager, and see just what he has that you are looking for and wish to save several dollars on the Elston plansell them cheap and quick. Your

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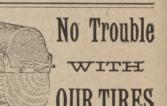
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CHURCH SERVICES.

Eniscopal 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. Sundays: 10.45 in the morning; Sunday School 2.30 in the afternoon; evening prayer and serday 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, Tues days at 7.30 p.m.; Rev. S. O. Perry, pastor.

Augustus Lutheran Church, Trappe. March 16, Friday, p. m., Meribah. March 18, Oculi. A. M., Third Commandment. P. M., Comparative value of spiritual motives.

United Evangelical Church, Trappe. Ser-

Trinity Church.—Wednesday evening prayer meeting at 7.30 o'clock. Saturday afternoon, catechetics, at 1.30 o'clock, Sunday: — Sunday School at 9, and preaching at 10 a. m.; the Junior C. E. prayer service at 2 p. m., and the Y. P. S. C. E. prayer service, Dr. S. D. Cornish leader, at 7 o'clock, and the Monthly Missionary Meeting in church auditorium at 8

Preaching in the Skippackville church Sunday morning at 10 o'clock

St. Luke's Reformed Church, Trappe, Rev. S. L. Messinger, pastor. Sunday School at 9 a. m. Preaching every Sunday at 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Prayer meetings: Junior Endeavor, Sunday, 2.30 p. m.; Y. P. S. C. E., Sunday, 6.30 p. m.; congregational, Wednesday, 7.30 p. m. Catechetical class, Saturday, 2.30 p. m. All are cordially invited to attend the

HOME AND ABROAD.

-"If it is

-Not one thing

-Then it is another,"

-But it is always something -That keeps at least a portion

of humanity in a state of agitation! -Fact, is it not?

-Of course there are some peomany forms of emotional as well as mental excitation.

-Such are the Stoics of modern times. -A vast majority of folks en-

counter as much trouble as they

can handle, without making any

-It just rolls in upon them. -The observation seems to be pretty clear that it is easier to "jump out of the frying pan into the fire"than it is to jump out of

night; two girls and a boy, and all are getting along nicely.

-Isaac Longstreth, of Trappe returned Friday from a two weeks' trip to Missouri.

-Large numbers of suckers are

-Chester carpenters are organizing to demand an eight hour of pay for nine hours.

borough's indebtedness \$34,000.

-Within the past several years Jacob Wallach, of Boyertown, has shipped 1488 horses to Germany. -Operations will be resumed at

the alleged gold mine near Gilberts- beautifully located, in this borough, ville, this county.

minutes on the premises of William Burgess Clamer, has had mechanics Yeakly, Tulpehocken, Berks county.

excessive, the County Commissioners will appeal from the decision.

-W. W. Kulp a poultry fancier of East Coventry, Chester county, shipped 100 rose-comb Brown Leghern eggs to ex-President Cleveland at Princeton, N. J.

Thursday evening. \$500 for the Historical Society.

Supper of the Montgomery County Historical Society at Norristown property, Mr. Wm. Loeffler, of on February 22 exceeded all pre- Philadelphia, will soon be actively vious efforts of the kind, being engaged in furnishing the rooms \$506 78, enabling the officers of the with up to-date furniture, carpets, Society to pay off another \$500 of etc., and expects to open Glenwood cing the indebtedness to \$3000.

dear ones suffer while awaiting the arrival of the doctor. An Albany (N. Y.) dairydate them.

We offer one Hundred Dollars Reward for a doctor one and see his child, then very sick with croup Not finding the doctor in, he left word for him to come at once on his return. He also bought a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, which he hoped would give some relief until the doctor should arrive. In a few hours he returned, saying the doctor need not come, as the child was much doctor need not come, as the child was much doctor need not come, as the child was much doctor need not come, as the child was much doctor need not come, as the child was much doctor need not come, as the child was much doctor need not come, as the child was much doctor need not come, as the child was much doctor need not come, as the child was much doctor need not come, as the child was much doctor need not come, as the child was much doctor need not come, as the child was much doctor need not come, as the child was much doctor need not come, as the child was much doctor need not come, as the child was much doctor need not come, as the child was much and side. He says: "My right arm at times was entirely useless. I tried Chamberlain's Cough

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Horse Killed by a Trolley Car. A valuable horse belonging to John J. Ferry, of Norristown, was at the Lutheran parsonage, Trappe, killed Thursday evening by collid- Pa., by Rev. W. O. Fegely, Mr. ing with a trolley car at DeKalb Daniel Garber and Miss Mary Y and Spruce streets.

A Beautiful Silk Quilt. Miss Katie Smith, of this bor-

ough, has just finished a silk quilt or spread that contains 4900 14 inch squares. It is a beautiful piece of work, the result of much labor and artistic taste. A Real Estate Transaction.

Through Arthur G. Ash, real estate agent, Samuel Starr has sold his small farm of twelve acres, a V.), near Oaks, on Friday evenings at 7.30. short distance above Trappe, to J. B. Smover, former proprietor of the Lamb hotel, Trappe. The figures involved have not been announced.

A Coming Banquet.

Dr. H. Bower, proprietor of Perkiomen Bridge hotel, will tender the Hayseed Social Club of the I. O. of O. F., of Evansburg, a banquet next Saturday evening at 8 o'clock. It will be an elaborate affair. Covers will be laid for about 40 persons.

Arbor Days.

Governor Stone has issued proclamation designating April 6 ing the hope that the action of the State officials in putting in force vext Sunday at 10 a. m. Sunday School at z the laws creating forest reserves of the College, Roberts' body build- Bodder, of Ursinus; the second, \$15, may meet with public approval, and ing, dumb bell drills, artistic club to Mr. Heilman, of Gettysburg; that the sentiment favorable thereto swinging, work on parallel and hor- and honorable mention to Mr. Herr, may be strengthened.

Surprise Party.

Wednesday evening of last week a surprise was tendered Mr. Harvey Keyser at his home, near Evansburg. A very pleasant evening was spent in playing games and other amusements, after which refreshments were served. Among those present were persons from Norristown, Conshohocken, Worcester, Collegeville, and Lower Providence.

Death From a Trivial Cause. About two weeks ago Jeremiah from a nail while opening a cracker barrel. Beginning of last week blood poisoning resulted from the call upon Mrs. Hunsberger's daughwound and on Thursday Mr. ter, Mrs. Levan, at Parkerford, Thomas died. He was 43 years old.

Persistent Wire Thieves.

On Saturday night thieves carried off eleven hundred feet of feed wire belonging to the Chestnut Hill Trolley Company. The robbery was committed near the Convent ple who seem to be proof against and was not discovered until early Sunday morning. It is believed that the theft was committed short- of Trinity Reformed Church on ly after midnight. The manage- Monday evening in Fenton's hall. ment of the Schuylkill Valley Trac- The host and hostess spared no tion Company have offered a re- pains to make the meeting a most ward of \$500 for the arrest of the men who have been stealing trolley wire belonging to the Company.

Methacton Literary Society. The Methacton Literary Society will meet in Cherry Tree school house Saturday evening, March 17. Ella Johnson; violin and guitar The following literary program has been arranged : Recitations-Myra sor Gummere; comedietta, "A Fair Johnson, Jennie Armstrong, Annie Encounter," Misses Mary Markley the city. Frantz, Viola Auer, Flora Camp- and Bertha Moser; selection on Regular monthly meeting of R. Kramer, Stella Smith, Mame "The New Woman" Mr. Biotern land to Wm. Linderman for \$293.63. Thursday, and an aged lady living the Luther League, Trappe, to-mor- Kratz, Ella Johnson. Music-Ethel row (Friday) evening, after vesper Clark, Nellie Evans, Elizabeth Ella Price, and Ida Robison; selec-Place. Debate-Resolved, That our .-Mrs. F. Rehm, of Pottstown, than our obligation to ourselves. will be held at the home of Mr. and evening, March 17, at which time gave birth to triplets Saturday Affirmative—Jos. Johnson, Joseph Mrs. John Bechtel. Kratz: Negative-L. R. Kramer, Howard Johnson, Jos. Shrawder.

Infirmary at Almshouse Decided

The Commissioners have decided evening. After the usual business being caught by anglers along the to go ahead with the work of build- the following were elected officers on the township line, on account of -The Court at Norristown has for bidders who will submit their 1: President, J. C. Landes; Vice- rented his shop to John Brunner, structions in the different canals reappointed Dr. E. M. Corson County Prison Inspector for three County Pris tension of the court house on the retary, Abram T. Allebach; Super-Airy street front is recognized by intendent, F. G. Hobson; Female the Commissioners as a necessity which cannot longer be postponed, working day, with the present rate and its construction has been prac- Daniel H. Bartman; Organist, Miss tically decided upon by them. The -Doylestown has issued 4 per plans have not been fully discussed Hobson, assisted by Stanley Cas- Men's Meeting in Memorial Hall cent. bonds for \$9500, making the as yet, but it is probable that the selberry, has charge of the primary on Sunday afternoon last. improvement will be started during | department. F. G. Hobson takes the present year.

A Model Resort. The Pennsylvania Female College building, an imposing structure has undergone an extensive interior -One dog killed 34 rats in 30 transformation. The owner, exat work for several months in ef-DEATHS.

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The Supervisors, and a good reptendant fourth floor. The building and fourth floors are each supplied with a bath room and water closet. The rooms have been most attractively improved by the application of paint, and paper of beautiful designs. The large dining room, in its new colors, with its numerous windows on the south and north sides, will surely be appreciated by the coming guests at Glenwood. The rooms are forty in number, large and well lushed and will have been to the fourth floor. The building to the fourth floor, and the first, second, third and fourth floors are each supplied with a beth room and water closet. The rooms have been most attractively improved by the application of paint, and paper of beautiful designs. The large dining room, in its new colors, with its numerous windows on the south and north sides, will surely be appreciated by the coming guests at Glenwood. The rooms are forty in number, large and well lushed and will window and water closet. The fourth floor and water closet. The rooms have been most attractively improved by the application of paint, and paper of beautiful designs. The large dining room, in its new colors, with its numerous windows on the south and north sides, will surely be appreciated by the coming guests at Glenwood. The rooms are forty in number, large and well lushed and will window and water closet. The supervisors, and a good reptendent the surgest shall be a suffering mith of the Spring City corps of teachers, has been suffering with a severe attack of large providence township, met at Black Rock on Wednesday last. No business of any account was been most attractively interest and good representation of the taxpayers of furth venturely and stances. No business of any account was been most attractively interest and good representation of the taxpayers of furth venturely and statuce of water the first state of the street shall be of auchers. No business of any account was been most attractively interest and scount and state of the c -Claiming that the award of a including the construction of a new jury freeing the Perkiomen and open stairway leading from the first Reading Turnpike Company was to the fourth floor. The building Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Heyser, of its new colors, with its numerous and cemetery to-day at 12 o'clock; Evansburg, and daughter Annie, windows on the south and north Undertaker J. L. Bechtel in charge. entertained a number of friends on sides, will surely be appreciated by Deceased was 80 years of age. large and well lighted and are admirably adapted for the purpose to which the building is to be devoted in the future. The lessee of the ber of Philadelphians have already near the Quaker meeting house, in ley was much appreciated. expressed a desire to engage rooms | Upper Providence. Three children for an indefinite period as soon as survive: Mrs. Jacob Shaffer, Mrs. Mr. Loeffler is ready to accommo- D. W. Wersler, of Port Providence,

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 lain's Cough Remedy to the Jain'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.

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Jain's Cough Remedy to their neighbors and mucous surfaces of the system.

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Pick 51 and maim, we still have greater surfaces of the system.

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FENTON'S STORE. from that part of the country. For sale by Mattie, Bedford county, Pa. For sale by since and it never fails. For sale by Joseph W. Culbert, druggist, Collegeville. | Joseph W. Culbert, druggist, Collegeville. | W. Culbert, druggist, Collegeville. | Hall

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Taken to the Asylum.

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he will receive at the Asylum.

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25 cents will be charged. The pro-

Two Women Killed at a Grade

Crossing.

Mrs. Samuel Hunsberger, of Roy-

of athletics.

Davis S. Savage.

Ladies' Aid Meeting.

entertained the Ladies' Aid Society

duett. Professor Meier and Profes-

Superintendent, Miss Ida T. Alle-

in the year just ending was fairly

prosperous in every department.

The next want of the school to be

supplied is that of a piano. Pastor

Hendricks has been continuously

connected with the school as teach-

ler in charge.

On Saturday evening, March 10,

THE EIGHTH ANNUAL CONTEST OF THE PENNSYLVANIA INTERCOLLEGI-URSINUS-FIRST HONORS TO UR-SINUS—SECOND TO GETTYSBURG.

The eighth annual contest of the Pennsylvania Oratorical Union was Levi Pennypacker, of this borheld in Bomberger Memorial Hall, ough, was taken to the Norristown Ursinus College, on Friday evening. Hospital for the Insane last Friday. One of the most important events For some time past, Mr. Penny. of the winter in State college circles, packer has been afflicted with mental the occasion attracted an audience aberrations of an intermittent charof several hundred persons, many of acter. It is hoped that he will be whom accompanied the visiting permanently cured by the treatment contestants. Representatives of the seven colleges of the Union participated in the program. As each college sent its prize orator, the Saturday's quotations: Cucumcontest was one for the already victorious, and correspondingly spirbers sold at 20 cents apiece; straw-

berries, 30 cents a quart. Winter The platform of Bomberger Hall chickens made their first appearance and sold for 40 cents a pound; was beautifully decorated with radishes, 5c. bunch; tomatoes, 25c palms, ferns, and other foliage qt.; apples, 18 to 20c. ½pk., oranges, plants and presented a most artistic 15 to 40c. doz.; rhubarb, 10c. bun- appearance as the contestants dle; grape fruit, 10c.; eggs, 20c. marched in, attired in "academic dozen; chickens, 16 and 18c.; and costume.'

President George E. Reed, D. D., LL. D., of Dickinson College, Carlisle, President E. E. Campbell, A. The third annual gymnastic exhi- M., Ph. D., of Irving College, Metion at Ursinus College will be chanicsburg, and the Hon. Clinton held in Bomberger Memorial Hall R. Woodruff, of Philadelphia, officithis (Thursday) evening, March 15, ated as judges. Dr. Reed made the and 20 as Arbor days, and express- at 8 o'clock. An interesting pro- presentation address, which was gram of events will include a com- characteristically unique, and bination Club Drill by young women awarded the first prize, \$25, to Mr.

izontal bars, etc. An admission of of Franklin and Marshall. Following is the program: Music, ceeds will be devoted to the benefit orchestra; invocation, President H. | week. T. Spangler, of Ursinus; opening address, Frank S. Kuntz, Muhlenberg, President of the Union; oration, Dawn in the East, Stuart Nye Hutchinson, Lafayette; music, orchestra; oration, The Onward ersford, and Mrs. Frank Savage, of | Sweep of Humanity, Bird Thomas near Kenilworth, were instantly Baldwin, Swarthmore; oration, The killed while driving across the Mission of Chivalry, Howard Edgar tracks of the Pennsylvania railroad | Bodder, Ursinus; oration, Our Unat Parkerford on Monday afternoon. crowned King, J. F. Heilman, Get-The carriage in which the women tysburg; music, orchestra; oration, were seated was struck by fast Parallelism of Plant and Animal freight No. 421 about twenty min- Life, Victor J. Koch, Muhlenberg; E. Thomas, proprietor of a large utes after 2 o'clock. The horse was oration, Democracy, Eugene Le bakery in Pottstown, sustained a also killed and the buggy smashed Fevre Herr, Franklin and Marshall slight scratch on his left thumb into kindling wood. Mrs. Huns- oration, The Constitutional Rights berger was visiting Mrs. Savage, of Our Annexed Territories, Charles and the two were on their way to W. Startsman, Lehigh; music, or- bed with our boots and overcoat on chestra; decision of the judges; to keep warm.

Following the contest an informal when the terrible accident ended reception was held, refreshments Andy Pfleiger in the finger, making their lives. Mrs. Hunsberger was the widow of Samuel Hunsberger. being served in the library, in Dr. a painful wound. Five children survive. Mrs. Amelia Barnard's room and in the Y. M. C. many delightful features of the tinuing through Monday. evening which was enjoyed by a large number of the friends of the college. From beginning to end Mr. and Mrs. William P. Fenton the event was a complete success. F. G. M.

ABOUT. nteresting one. A large number of the members of the society and Brick" by the Mennonite Breturen Corners, formerly Supplee's. Mr. their friends were present, the hall next Sunday evening. being crowded. Following is the

The Ladies' Aid of the U. E. days. program as rendered : Recitation, Mona's Waters," Mr. A. T. Alle- church will meet next Saturday, bach; Scene from the "Merchant of March 17, 2.15 p. m., at the home of Custer of Audubon, was buried at Venice," Misses Alma Clamer and Mrs. Ann Puhl.

John Nace has sold two lots of

Rinker, Misses Sara Hendricks, with typhoid fever. A special service will be held in tions on phonograph, Mr. Yost. obligation to our brother is higher The next meeting of the society the U. E. church next Saturday a "barrel opening" will take place. An interesting program will be rendered and a special collection will be taken for the benefit of the The Sunday School Association church. A large attendance is an-

of Trinity church, this borough, ticipated. All invited. held its annual meeting Tuesday W. N. Linderman, blacksmith up ing an infirmary at the Almshouse. of the Association and School for poor health, will give up his trade Specifications are being prepared the ensuing year, commencing April on the first of April. He has

ROVERSFORD and SPRING

bach: Assistant Superintendent, A. W. Bomberger Esq., of Norristown, very ably addressed the Sara C. Hendricks. Mrs. F. G.

Miss Ada Powel, Mrs. Beynon his class for recitation into the and son David, of Port Kennedy, church auditorium. The pastor and Miss Lillian H. Johnson of takes his class for recitation into Roversford, visited W. B. Johnson the Bible class room. The school at Princeton on Saturday.

eric Heckle survive. The Ursinus Glee Club will give

fecting the various desired changes, ning in the spring of 1856,-44 in the Opera House on Wednesday Wednesday evening of last week.

Saturday at his home near Oaks. Duet by Miss May Finley of Phil-Saturday at his home near Oaks. Staturday at his home near Oaks. Two children survive—S. Howard adelphia and Miss Jean Urner. Inhands of a Commission, after the adelphia and Miss Jean Urner. Inhands of a Commission, after the Ahouse and termezze (violin) by Mr. Leo Luks. Yocum, and Ella Yocum, at home. | termezzo (violin) by Mr. Leo Luks. The solo "Angel's Serenade," by The funeral was held yesterday (Wednesday), services and inter- Miss Jean Urner, with violin and ment at the Green Tree church and piano accompaniment by Messrs. cemetery; Undertaker John S. Kep. Luks and Miller, and also the selection by Mr. Robert Pierson, artist, deserve special mention. Duet by John Favinger, aged 82 years, Misses Usner of Royersford and the mortgage on its building, redufor the accommodation of guests died Saturday night at the residence the Male Quartette of that place. about the middle of April. A num- of his son-in-law, Jacob W. Shaffer, The instrumental solo by Miss Fin-

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for and Catharine Shaffer, at home. The

FROM FAIRVIEW VILLAGE and VICINITY.

the Jeffersonville Presbyterian ATE ORATORICAL UNION HELD AT | Church on Sunday last; Rev. Beidler being on the sick list with appendicitis. Rev. S. O. Perry supplied Mr. Brodhead's pulpit.

> Miss Mary Rittenhouse, of Jeffersonville, is spending a week with Mrs. David Custer.

The reading circle will meet on Friday evening at the home of Miss Adela Morgan.

living at the Level, will move to martyr, its the cause; and what James Hoffman's farm in the near greater cause than for liberty and

PERSONAL.

Henry C. Landes, of Philadelphia, visited his parents Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Landes, near Perkiomen Bridge, Sunday.

Miss Vinnie O. Mensch, of Penns burg, and Miss Laura Hopkins, of New York city, were the guests of Dr. and Mrs. P. C. Mensch for several days.

Miss Mabel Vanderslice, of Philadelphia, visited friends in Collegeville over Sunday.

Messrs. Haldeman, Keeley, Schell

Bechtel, and Bartlett, of Penns burg, were entertained by Dr. and Mrs Weinberger on Friday evening. Miss Alma Young, a student at Swarthmore College, was the guest of Miss Edna Loose on Friday and Saturday. Miss Agnes Bacon, of Baltimore, visited Miss Bertha E. Trebine at Ursinus College last

George Deppen, Esq., of Sunbury was the guest of friends in College ville, last week.

Miss Eva Bowman, of Philadelphia, was the guest of the young ladies at Olevian Hall on Saturday.

FROM OAKS.

Miss Pomeroy, of Philadelphia, s visiting Mr. John B. Dettra.

Myrtle Rambo is on the sick list. family reunion. Rettie Henry visited friends in

Philadelphia on Saturday. The cold wave was the coldest kind of a wave, and we had to go to

A pet coon in a playful mood bit

A. champion blizzard, regular Savage is survived by one son, A. room. This was only one of the March hash, prevailed Sunday, con-

St. Patrick's Day will occur this year on the 17th day of March, which is Saturday. Enos Yocum, an old and respect- by taking Hood's Sarsaparilla now and be ed citizen of this community, died | sure of good health for months to come.

FROM TRAPPE AND ROUND- on Saturday morning, and was buried at the Green Tree cemetery PUBLIC SALE OF on Wednesday forenoon. Mr. Preaching service in the "Little | Young owned the farm at Youm's Yocum's age was 77 years and 6 Blanche Custer, daughter of Mr.

John Favinger was buried on

Wm. Weikel is still very low at Harry Ellis' is dead also. Notices of four funerals were read after the morning services at the Green Tree church, Sunday.

Rev. Mr. Helfenstien, of Germantown, preached at Green Tree on Sunday, and also at Port Providence on Sunday evening. Protracted meeting is still going on at Port Providence. How long it will be continued will be decided this Wednesday evening.

The canal company employes are getting ready to put the water in the canal, and are removing the oband it will be only a short time when we will hear the tin horn, conch shell, anything to notify the ferryman and lock-tender to get ready, we're a coming.

Jake, the peddler, met with an accident while driving into Charles Taylor's, Saturday afternoon. As he was driving up the hill to the house the king bolt broke, the horse walked away with the for- same: ward axle tree, the front end of the wagon dropping to the ground, throwing Jake out, injuring him was largely attended, Friday after- some little. The damages were renoon. A widow and one son Fred- paired temporarily, and Jake went on his way rejoicing.

Miss Mame Davis gave a sociable er and officer, from its first begin- the last entertainment of the course at her residence at Broad View on

> said township had elected a Supervisor. The only mistake was the calling of the meeting, and the Supervisor did not go on as he had done heretofore. Mistakes, however, often happen, and he who is = perfection personified has no busiperfection personified has no business in this world where our imperfections are our most serious sonville, consisting of wheelwright shop on perfections are our most serious

with the British, then do we favor oppression, imperialism, a peculiar

has been the experience of many DUBLIC SALE OF brave men who fought the battles of the Union, and when it was Rev. C. R. Brodhead preached in brother against brother, father against son, using imperfect firearms in comparison to those of the present time. The brave Boer with 3000 men stood off 50,000 British soldiers is worthy the name of hero, and although he may be imprisoned on the island made notable by the residence of the great Napoleon, what matters it. A greater than Napoleon was he, for it was for might makes right, not justice. It Wm. Rodenbaugh, who has been is not the suffering that makes the hay by the hundred, straw by the hundred

> "On a lone, barren isle, where the wild roll-Assail the stern rock, and the wild tempest

A hero is in exile, who Cronjed the tit-Gave England a set-back did this wiley The lightnings may flash, the loud thunders

freedom could we suffer.

He hears them as the echoes of liberty's refrain, Of his comrades who are fighting freedom's

great battle,
And he longs for the time when he can
give the English a good hit again. James Kelley, tenant on the Vanderslice farm, had sale Tuesday of last week, and will move to Port Kennedy. Carlin and Yoder, tenants on the Misses Shearer farm, will move shortly, Carlin to Abrams, Yoder wherever he can rent a house, as he is engaged as engineer at the McAvov Brick Works. Here are two farms for rent, or even for sale, so its said, at Perkiomen

It is remarkable how much a United States Senator knows of the state of affairs in the State of Pennsylvania. It is a strange statement to make, but when we read the speeches in the Quay case we are not off making this statement.

B. Frank Dettra, Esq., of Reading, a member of the Berks County Bar, his wife and son, visited his brother, Mr. John B. Dettra, on Sunday. Miss Sallie Dettra came home to spend a few days. This gathering partook of a sort of

John Shull and his force of men were up the road near Pottstown assisting in laying new steel rails on the P. S. V. R. R.

David Harvey has been assisting in getting the canal ready at Birds. boro, going and coming from there night and morning.

Mrs. James Harvey, of Conshohocken, visited Mrs. Charles Harvey at Riverside, on Saturday. Miss Laura Bromer, of Phœnix-

ville, visited John Shull and family "Safe bind, safe find." Fortify yourself

Household Goods! Will be sold at public sale, on MONDAY, MARCH 19, 1900, at the residence of the undersigned, in the borough of Trappe, the following Household Goods: Bookcase and church will meet next Saturday,
March 17, 215 p. m., at the home of
Mrs. Ann Puhl.

Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Fry spent
part of last week with relatives in
the city.

John Nace has sold two lots of

Blanche Custer, daughter of Mr.
Custer of Audubon, was buried at
Green Tree on Wednesday afternoop. She was seven years of age,
and four little girls acted as pall
bearers. The old must die,
young sometimes die.

John Nace has sold two lots of and vases, cabinet organ, Office chairs, 3 high stools, foot stools, towel racks, walnut medicine chest, bedding, table covers, wolf robe, 33 yards Brussel carpet, 25 yards rag carpet, new; Damask curtains, oil paintings, lot of buckets, rustic vase, terra cotta vase and pedestal, stove and pipe, self-feeder; washing machine, a good one; ice cream freezer, quilting frame, step ladders, dozen white-handle knives and forks, new; 2 doz. black-handle knives and forks, new; crock-eryware, glassware, buckets, pans, pots, tin-

> L. H. Ingram, auct. J. M. Zimmerman, cl'k. in the Borough of College-ville from the Easterly Side of Main Street to a Point Five Hundred Feet Therefrom in a Easterly Direc-tion; and Establishing the Centre Line Grade of Said

60x380 feet, situated on Second Avenue in the

borough of Trappe. Sale at 1 o'clock. Conditions by WM. KNIPE.

Fifth Avenue East for Said Distance.

same:
SECTION 1. That Fifth Avenue East in the Borough of Collegeville, as laid out and ordained by said borough, be straightened and widened, the centre line running as follows:—BEGINNING at a point in the centre line of Fifth Avenue at the Easterly side of Main Street, as heretofore widened, thence North forty-seven (47) degrees, thirty-two (32) minutes East, a distance of five hundred (500) feet to a point in the centre line of said Fifth Avenue, between lands of J. S. Laros and Jonas Bowman.

man.
SEC. 2. That said Fifth Avenue shall be opened so that the lines on both sides of said Street shall be parallel to the centre line described in Section 1, and shall be twenty (20)

dustrious day laborer. Apply to 1-11. J. I. BECHTEL, Yerkes, Pa.

drawbacks.

If we say we sympathize with the Boers then are we for liberty, for freedom If we say we sympathize with the British, then do we favor

sonville, consisting of wheelwright shop on first floor and large room on second floor—suitable for cigar factory or other manufacturing 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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Jeffersonville, Pa.

Personal Property!

Will be sold at public sale on THURS-DAY, MARCH 22, 1900, at the residence of the subscriber in Upper Providence, a short distance above Trappe, the following personal property: 20 pair of chickens by the pound, one horse wagon with bed, two-seated carriage, fallingtop carriage, express wagon, buckboard, new express bed, sleich, mowing uckboard, new express bed, sleigh, mowin machine, corn marker, 2 plows, one a Wiard hoe harrow, springtooth harrow, grindstone ropes and pulleys, clevis, single and double-trees, scythe and sneath, forks, rakes, shovels, hoes, scoop shovel, cow and other chains, 2 sets lead harness, set carriage harliberty he fought. In his case it is ness, set single harness, single and double lines, collars, blindhalters, headhalters, fly nets, etc., cider mill, vinegar by the barrel J. G. Fetterolf, auct. and stamper, boring machine and 2¼ inch post auger; sweet seed corn, chicken coops hen manure by the bushel. Two cook stoves kitchen dresser, iron kettle, clothes wringer lot of pear butter by the pot, potatoes by the bushel, 5 bushels Early Maine seed potatoes boxes, empty barrels, mixing trough, water trough, lot of old iron, work bench, and numerous articles not herein mentioned. Sale at 1 o'clock. Conditions by SAMUEL STARR.
F. H. Peterman, auct. B. W. Weikel, clerk

DUBLIC SALE OF

Personal Property!

Will be sold at public sale, on THURS-DAY, MARCH 29, 1900, at the residence of the undersigned in the Borough of Collegeville, the following personal property: 7

HORSES. No. 1, Brown horse 8 yrs. old, weighs 1500, sound and works anywhere. No. 2, Bay horse 12 yrs. old, good on treadpower and can trot fast. No. 3, Sorrel mare, 9 yrs. old, good farm beast. No. 4, Bay colt 7 mos. old, foaled by well-bred sorrel mare. No. 5, Dark sorrel horse with white mane, good cart horse. No. 6, Bay colt, 4 yrs. old, well broke and fearless of all objects. EIGHT COWS, five are fresh and three fat, one thoroughbred Jersey cow with third calf; this is a fine cow. 16 STLEKS, 25 CHOICE SHOATS, 300 chickens, 30 ducks, 10 tame rabbits. lucks, 10 tame rabbits.

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WAGONS: Jarrettown hay wagon, 3 locks, 4 inch tread, nearly new. Another Jarrettown hay wagon, 3 inch tread, and a good one; 1 square body wagon with hay ladders, good lot wagon with pole and shafts, 2 carts, 2 seated surrey, no-top; buckboard, spindle wagon, fine two-seated sleigh, 2 one seated sleighs, 5 carriage poles. HARNESS: 4 sets stage harness, 8 sets single harness, cart harness, 2 dwhle sets single harness, cart harness, 2 dwhle sets single harness, cart harness, 2 dwhle sets single harness, cart harness, 2 double settlight harness, 15 collars, blindhalters, head

nalters, etc.
FARMING IMPLEMENTS: Champion binder, nearly new; Osborne mower, one two-horse cultivator, one horse cultivator Champion grain drill, Osborne sulkey har Champion grain drill, Osborne sulkey harrow, corn marker, horse rake, springtooth harrow, roller, 3 good plows, single and doubletrees, 2 grain shovels, post spade, cow and other chains, 10 barrels vinegar, 200 bushels of corn, 10 tons timothy hay, and many articles not herein specified. Sale to commence at 11.30 a. m. Conditions: A credit of six months on all sums over \$20; 2 per cent. off for cash. credit of six monons 2 per cent. off for cash.

JOSEPH P. ROBISON.

TWO DAYS SALE OF

Personal Property! The subscriber having disposed of the Col-

dletop wagon, phaeton, Jenny Lind carriage, express wagon, cart, sleigh, double set carriage harness, 5 single sets carriage harness, one new set, fly nets, set cart harness, set express harness, bridles and halters, collars, beets, saw and axes, hatchet, tubs, buckets, express harness, bridles and halters, collars, 3 new carriage poles, 2 new pair shafts, about 2 tons timothy hay, cornsheller, plow, drag harrow, hoe harrow, single and double trees, 2 wagon lifters, blankets, robes, whips, forks, shovels, 50 lawn settees, 14 lawn benches, 12 other benches, 6 picnic tables, 2 ladders 14 feet long, 2 street lamps, 10 lanterns, grindstone, lawn mower, 60-gal. oil tank, bathtub, large vise, 50 chickens, 3 barrels vinegar, lot empty barrels and kegs, wheelbarrow, lot old iron, 6 porch rocking chairs, 10 cans blasting powder, lot quarry tools, and other tools, and many other articles.

SECOND DAY'S SALE, MARCH 21: HOUSEHOLD GOODS: Piano and organ. haircloth parlor suit, large looking glass 4 x 8 ft., bevel edge; lot bedroom suits, bed springs, 2 doz. chairs, 3 reclining chairs and rocking chairs, bureaus, one over 100 years old; mattress, bolsters, pillows, quilts, counterpanes, sheets, 30 pairs lace curtains, on the road leading from Phænixville to lot hall and stair carpet, lot rag carpet, lot lot hall and stair carpet, lot rag carpet, lot matting, lot looking glasses, wash bowls and pitchers in sets, lot pictures, 3 extension tables, one 14 ft.; refrigerator, lot small tables, lot door and window screens, lot hanging and bracket lamps, 2 parlor stoves, kitchen range No. 9, blue-flame oil stove, 3 burners; 2 ice cream tubs, washtubs, wringers, large waffle iron, chinaware, glassware, tinware, fruit jars, lot silverware, plates, cups and saucers. flat irons, pots.

Collegeville, two miles from the former and three miles from the latter, the following stock and farming implements, to wit: 3 HORSES. No. 1, bay horse coming 7 years old, good driver and works anywhere and good on tread-power; weight is 1350 lbs.; fearless of steam and trolley cars. No. 2, sorrel mare 8 years old, a fine driver and a good worker; fearless of steam and trolley cars. No. 3, is a black mare coming 14 years old, good and carpentor tools, webster's unabridged dictionary, good as new; 2 volumes of Peoples' cyclopedia, Gazetteer of United States, and a thousand and one other things. Also at the same time and place 5 building lots plates, cups and saucers, flat irons, pots, pans, together with many other articles not

Sale at 1 o'clock, sharp, each day. Con-litions, cash. CHARLES SHAW. L. H. Ingram, auct.

Fine Harness Be it enacted and ordained by the Burgess and Town Council of the Borough of Collegeville in Town Council assembled, and it is hereby enacted and ordained by authority of the same:

At J. U. Hendricks' Hotel, Schwenksville, Pa., on THURSDAY, MARCH 29, 1900, 50
Sets of Fine Harness, consisting of some fine genuine rubber and nickel and imitation rubber-mounted track harness, nickel-and imitation rubber-mounted t bridles, check lines, halter, hame and quiler straps, &c. I kindly invite you to attend this sale and feel assured that I will show you as nice and serviceable a lot of harness as you ever saw put up to sell at public sale. giving perfect satisfaction. For full particulars see large bills, and for bargains come to the sale. Sale to commence at one come to the sale. Sale to o'clock p. m. Conditions by H. B. LAPP. P. U. Hendricks, auct. I. H. Johnson, clerk.

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DUBLIC SALE OF

HORSES!

Will be sold at public sale on MONDAY, MARCH 19, 1900, at Carver's hotel, Gratersford, 30 West Virginia horses of good sizes, shapes and qualities. These horses were selected to suit, and make money for buyers and a few dollars for the seller. If you want a good horse that will please you at the right price come and put in your bids. Horses taken in exchange will be sold at the nalter for the high dollar after the sale. Mr. Kessel will be present to buy horses suitable for the Philadelphia and New York markets. Sale at 1 o'clock. Conditions by at 1 o'clock. Conditions by
J. H. FISHER, Agent.

PUBLIC SALE OF ONE CAR-Illinois Horses!

Will be sold at public sale, on THURS-DAY, MARCH 22, 1900, at Bean's Hotel, Schwenksville, Pa., one carload of very fine Illinois horses, ranging in age from 3 to 6 years, and have good colors. This lot was selected by myself and are very nice drivers trotters and are very nice drivers, trotters and pacers, a few fine chunks and several horses we ghing from 1100 to 1300 pounds each. The horses will arrive three days prior to day of sale, when they can be seen and handled. Don't miss this sale if in need of a horse. A horse buyer will be here to buy fat horses for cash. Sale at 1 o'clock p. m. Conditions by A. W. SCHELL.

DRIVATE SALE OF

Horses, Cows and Shoats. I am selling at private sale at Beckman's

hotel, Trappe, a lot of horses and cows and shoats at private sale. Come and purchase what you want at the right price.

MURRAY MOORE.

DRIVATE SALE OF

HORSES!

I will arrive at my stables, near Collegeville, on or about MARCH 12, 1900, with a car load of choice Iowa horses, selected by myself for the purpose of supplying the needs of purchasers at the right figures. These horses range in age from 4 to 6 years, and in size, form and unlike are just what the former form and quality are just what the farmer the business man, and others are looking for Come and examine them and make your choice. My aim is to sell you what you want at a reasonable price.
D. H. CASSELBERRY.

DUBLIC SALE OF

Personal Property!

Will be sold at public sale, on THURS-DAY, MARCH 22, 1900, at the residence of the undersigned, on the Ridge Turnpike in Lower Providence township, half-mile below Collegeville, the following personal property: Bay horse, 15½ hands high, works well anywhere, and safe for a lady to drive.

40 pair of chickens; 10 pair of pigeons. Three sets of heavy harness, set cart harness, set express harness, bridles, headhalters; timber coward other chains and traces; timber coward other chains and traces. ber, cow and other chains and traces; two-horse wagon with hay bed and seat and two The subscriber having disposed of the Collegeville Hotel Property, will sell at public sale on TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20 and 21, 1900, at said hotel, an extensive variety of Personal Property and Household Goods.

horse wagon with nay bed and seat and two locks, as good as new; cart for one or two horses, express wagon, fallingtop carriage, land roller, horse rake, mowing machine, good as new; express sleigh, Wiard plow, springtooth harrow, spike harrow, hoe harrow, corn marker, carriage pole, double and FIRST DAY'S SALE, MARCH 20:
Two Horses. No. 1, bay mare, 8 years old, a good worker and driver. No. 2, sorrel horse, 9 years old, good worker and driver; to horse, 9 years old, good worker and driver; to horse, 9 years old, good worker and driver; to horse, 9 years old, good worker and driver; both safe for lady to drive; one monkey; coach in good order, will accommodate 10 passengers; three 2 seated carriages, 2 nearly new; rope and pulleys, wheelbarrow, post spade, fallington burger, pactor, burger, new; some

DUBLIC SALE OF Personal Property! Collegeville, two miles from the former and

a black mare coming 14 years old, good driver and worker, safe for anyone to drive. 4 FAT COWS, extra fine; 1 FAT SHOAT, 150 lbs. 2 farm wagons, one 4-inch tread, for two or four horses; one narrow-tread, for two or four horses, with bed; farm cart, road cart, sulkey, milk sled, 2 carriage poles, horse power and thresher (Ellis make), windmill, 2 fodder cutters, Hench cultivator and corn marker, South Bend plow, springtooth harrow, double log roller, plow, double and singletrees, tripletrees, 2 spreaders, one for 2 horses; 2 mowing machines, a new Champion binder, boring machine with auger, hay tedder, 2 sets hay ladders, 16 ft.; set lead harness, 3 sets stage harness, collars, B. LAPP'S PUBLIC SALE brass and nickel heavy and lighter farm or harness, extra heavy and lighter farm or team harness, large lot of halters, team team harness, large lot of halters, team dung hooks, rake, forks and shovels, post dung hooks, rake, forks and shovels, post local or state. auger, jockey stick, water trough, cart har-ness, check rein and line, grindstone, tron dog, broad axe, rope and tackles, corn planter.

Household Goods: Large copper kettle with stirrer, iron kettle, 2 cupboards, large flour chest, sausage cutter and lard press, erous to mention. Sale to commence at 12 30 o'clock p. m. Conditions: A credit of 90 days on all sums of \$20 and exceeding that amount, with approved security; un der \$20, cash.

D. H. JONES. J. G. Fetterolf, auct. G.W. Zimmerman, cl'k.

Estate of David Keyser, deceased. Letters testamentary on the estate of David Keyser, late of Upper Providence township, Montgomery county, Pennsylvania, deceased, have been granted to the undersigned, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are equested to make payment, and those havng claims or demands will make known the same without delay.
HENRY W. KRATZ, Executor,

Estate of Position. Estate of David Reiner, late of Collegeville Borough, Montgomery county, deceased. Letters testamentary on the above estate having been granted to the undersigned, all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having legal claims, to present the

same without delay to
JOSEPH C. LANDES,
FRANKLIN P. FARINGER, or their attorney, Colle F. G. Hobson, Norristown, Pa.

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LEAVE BRIDGEPORT—Week days — 8.11,
9.59 a. m.; 2.27, 6.04, p. m. Sundays—7.53
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A Bad Man to Interrupt. "W'en Moses tell de sun ter stan' still"- began the old deacon. "Dat warn't Moses," interjected a brother in the amen corned; "dat wuz

Joshua!" "Ez I said," continued the deacon, "w'en Joshua tell de sun"-"Yoh didn't say dat at all!" said the brother who had corrected him. "Hit wuz me dat said hit! Hit wuz me dat tuck yoh up to hit!"

The deacon's patience was exhausted. He folded his brass rimmed spectacles, laid them carefully on the table | designs to select from. before him, walked over to the amen corner, took the objecting brother by swish of a cyclone, swept him forward toward the door, landing him precipi-

tately in outer darkness. "Ez I wuz sayin foh dis little inci-dent occurred," he continued, "w'en Moses tole Joshua ter tell de sun ter

Some of the older, learned brethren moved uneasily in their seats. They looked as if they wanted to correct him, but they did not. They let it go at that. -Atlanta Constitution.

Character In the Hair. If your hair is fine, it denotes gentle birth. If the ends cling together, it is a sign of great intellectuality, and a tendency to curl shows inherent grace and a poetic nature.

These are some of the things set forth by the science of hair reading, yet undeveloped, but likely to "give us away" in a manner often more accurate than pleasing.

This science tells us, too, that the person with straight hair has a firm, positive and practical disposition. Color shows the temperament. For instance, it is well to watch out for the person with black, lusterless hair. He's apt to be treacherous and jealous. The lighter the hair the more sensitive and "touchy" its owner. Brown hair belongs to him who has common sense good judgment and reason in high degree, which would indicate that humanity isn't even half bad. Red hair

shows honesty and cleverness.

The Turkish Autocrat. The sultan of Turkey rises at 6 and after devoting the whole morning to work with his secretaries breakfasts at 10 and 10 are a floor than 10 are a floor to the same direction. With a feeling of much appreciation for favors received in the past, I hope to merit the future patronate of the public. at noon. After this he takes a drive or age of the public. a row on the lake in his vast park. At 8 will meet trains at all Stations. Or 8 he dines and amuses himself during ders received by telephone or telegraph. 9.5 the evening with his family, listening while his daughter plays on the piano He is extremely fond of music. The sultan dresses like an English gentleman, but invariably in a frock coat, the breast of which on great occasions is richly embroidered and blazing with decorations. There are over 400 cooks and scullions employed in the imperial

Made Her Account Good. It was only a dainty little note from a woman depositor, but it caused a gentle ripple of merriment among the accountants and tellers of an up town bank. The institution caters to women, and the president has often remarked that the women depositors were in some respects more careful in their business methods than the men.

A few days ago the discovery was made that the account of one of the women depositors had been overdrawn a few dollars. The usual notification in such cases was sent to the depositor, with the request that the account be made good. A prompt and polite reply was received from the delinquent. She apologized for the overdraft, thanked the bank officers for informing her of the fact so courteously and inclosed her check on the same bank for the amount of the overdraft. It is needless to say that an explanatory note was sent to this depositor reminding her that an overdraft was not a credit to be drawn upon .- New York Com mercial Advertiser.

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lelds and kept busy pruning too. This ethod of culture has been systematically tested by the New Jersey experiment station, but the success in the north has not been as great as that in In the first place, the tomatoes are planted in rows three and one-half feet

Fruit Is Grown.

The northern tomato field presents a

picture of a crop growing two feet

high; the southern field four to five

feet-that is, some of the southern

fields of early tomatoes do, and their

growing is a science. The method of

Mississippi trucker, his wife and chil-

dren are all employed in the tomato

culture is pruning and staking, and the

apart and three feet apart in the rows, which would be close for ordinary field For Farmers to know is where to get the BEST CHOPPING work, where the plants lie on the ground. The plants are cared for in pushed firmly or driven into the ground after a softening rain and the plants tied closely to them with a piece of ordinary white wrapping Lately remodeled and put in fine shape for business. Come and inspect. string ten inches long. Next every plant is pruned, and every sucker is pulled out, leaving only single stems with no limbs. In a short time, with rapid growth, another tying is necessary, care being taken to tie the fruit bunch on the outside, so as not to rub against the stake. Almost constant

pruning is necessary. large size, and the fruit clusters make an almost continuous line the height of Can anywhere else by placing your orders with us. We defy competithe stake. The fruit is where it gets plenty of light and air, and there is no rotting and practically no sun scalding. It is also easily picked, no time being lost in looking for ripe fruit. Cemetery work in all its branches. No contract too large or too

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Solid or Spoke Wheels. "Noticing the recent complaint in The Rural New Yorker about the heavy draft of broad tired wagons with spoke wheels in very soft or muddy roads or fields, and which is entirely truthful according to my observation, I wish to say further that in loose sandy ground the same objection holds. The loose earth drops in over the fellies and makes veritable plows of the wheels. But this objection is entirely overcome by using wheels with solid centers. We are now using a low wagon with wheels having five inch tires and no spokes, the entire space between the tires and the iron hubs being wood. Of course there is a hollow space between the two plank sides of each wheel, in which are light iron spokes that give sufficient strength and yet lightness. These are the best wheels I ever used on the farms that I have owned and worked. They do not and cannot load up with mud nearly so much as ordinary wagon wheels," says a writer in the journal mentioned.

A Gate That Will Swing Over Snow. A gate so hung that it will swing over snow is a convenience described by an Iowa Homestead correspondent. The gate is a common frame one, made as light as possible. Have your blacksmith make two strap hinges for the gate only, the eye of the AN ADJUSTABLE GATE.lower one being made oblong, say, a half inch play on the rod that the gate hangs on. Now have your hangers made of round rods

as large as you think necessary to support the weight of the gate and any length you require to raise the gate. You can have it so that hogs or sheep can pass under as well as for snow drifts. Have holes punched or drilled in the lower rod and square headed plugs fastened in them, and they will support the gate at any desired height. When you wish to raise the gate, just take hold of it with both hands while the gate is shut and raise it up above the plug and then let got, and it will stay there unless you raise too much on the front end while closed. The prongs of the upper rod should go clear through the post with washers and nuts so as to take up any sag that may

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Sulphur employed in considerable quantities upon soils which are acid or which contain but a limited excess of basic ingredients is capable of causing much subsequent injury to crops, the extent of the same being greatest upon acid or neutral soils.

The application of sulphur to soils for preventing potato scab regardless of the character of the reaction of the soil is liable to occasionally cause much

Sulphate of ammonia, which has a high manurial value by virtue of its nitrogen, gives promise of being far more satisfactory and economical than flowers of sulphur as a means of lessening the tendency to scab in contaminated soils which are favorable to the 28dec

The ammonia of the sulphate of amthis, together with the sulphuric acid thereby liberated, decomposes carbonates, forming compounds which are taken up by plants or gradually removed by leaching. This process decreases the basicity of the refined by the statement of the process decreases the basicity of the refined by the statement of the refined by the re the basicity of the soil and thereby the

amount of sulphuric acid obtained from the sulphate of ammonia as a residual product may be considered as costing nothing, since the ammonia returns its eost by its action as a manure.

Sulphur, on the other hand, is much more expensive than sulphate of ammonia and has little if any even indirect manurial value. How Some of the Splendid Southern

Sulphate of ammonia, particularly if used in connection with muriate of potash upon soils where the tendency to scab is great, is capable of wonder fully improving them in this particular. To accomplish this wood ashes, lime basic slag, stable manure and undissolved phosphates should be avoided. Acid phosphate should in such cases be used as a source of phosphoric acid.

Homemade Snow Shovel.
"A light shovel for shoveling snow is a very convenient tool around the house and barn. To be sure, it does not cost much to buy one, but there are plenty of stormy days and sufficient mechanical skill about any farmstead to save a few pennies," remarks an Ohio Farmer correspondent. "Take a pine or basswood board 16 inches by 14 inches, one-half inch



A LIGHT SNOW SHOVEL. Bevel off one end and get a piece of sheet iron from a tinshop five inches wide and as long as your board the usual manner until they begin to is wide. Get the tinsmith to bend this bend over with their own weight. Then | for you so that one side is longer than six foot stakes rived out of pine are the other, and get him to punch holes in it for the nails. Nail this on your board as a protection for the end, putting the longer portion of the iron on the bottom of the shovel.

"Now get a piece of wood 14 inches long and two inches thick and about five inches wide. Shave this piece so it will be three cornered and nail it upon the other end of the shovel. An ordinary fork handle will answer, only it should be sawed off diagonally so that it will match the three cornered piece. The handle is fastened by a The effect of this cultivation is to rivet three-eighths of an inch in diamforce the crop ahead of the rest about eter, going through handle, angular six days. The tomatoes grow to a board and blade of shovel and riveted. The rivet is placed about three inches from the end of the handle, and over the end a strip of tin is nailed."



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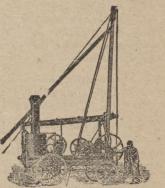
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