That Means a Watch from the Old Man and I Can't Get There too Quick.

Philip D. Armour, the great Chicago ork packer, has one peculiarity that altogether agreeable to his employes, le has a weakness for making valuable presents at an opportune moment, For the last ten years whenever he has ound it necessary to call one of his representatives from some distant point to the home office at Chicago he has always made it a practice to begin the conference with him at 7 o'clock, in his office at the stock yards. This is Mr. Armour's hour for going to work.

After the interview Mr. Armour ooks his visitor over carefully and in-

quires whether or not he happens to have the time with him. If the emloye replies that he does not carry a watch he is promptly presented with an order on a leading Chicago jeweler, with instructions to have the timepiece engraved as a gift from Philip D.

rmour to whatever his name may be, If the fortunate one is possessed of a watch he is instructed to get a new suit of clothes or a brand new over-cost. For the first few years this plan was allowed to proceed on the lines hald down by Mr. Armour, but of late those of his men who prefer watches to overcoats have managed to leave their timepieces at home when they have been summoned to a conference.

It is stated as a fact that in no instance has the millionaire packer neelected to bestow an expensive gift on those of his employes whom he has called to Chicago on business. The watch preference among his men has come to be very noticeable, and Mr. Armour's custom is so generally known among Armour men that a call to Chicago generally brings out the remark: That means a watch from the old man, and I can't get there too quick."

Fish as Food.

Fish is regarded by Sir Henry compson as in many cases a prefer able food to meat. In Food and Feedng he thus expresses his views on the

For the sedentary man, whatever his calling in life, whose engagements premit him to take only just that modamount of muscular exercises which is in all circumstances essential to health; for a great proportion of women whose habits mostly are not, and often cannot be active, the nutritive elements afforded by fish acm.ra.ly supply an important part of the wants of the body. The moderate amount of fesh-forming material present in fish, and in a form which entails little labor on the digestive organs (for most persons certainly cat less fish than meat). and the facility with which fish may be associated with other elements some fatty matters, with cereals and veget-ables, as well as fruits—place it in the first rank of foods in that mixed dietary which is so suitable to those who lead more or less the kind of life referred to. I by no means say that it should supersede the use of meat altogether, although it may do so some-times with advantage—a point only to be determined in each individual instance after some observation and experiment. For in all cases it is to be remembered that no man who has habsually eaten meat two or three times daily can at once exchange it for fish and cereals or vegetables without some discomfort, to say the least. All radkal changes in diet, even in the right direction, require to be gradually made. The stomach conforms slowly when long accustomed to deal with highly nitrogenized animal food, to the task of deriving from unaccustomed materials the support necessary to the

Me Tried 1t.

Unquestioning obedience is generally good thing to require from subordilates, but sometimes it leads to strange Numerous complaints had results. tome before a certain official in rethe inmates of one of the public instilutions; and he determined to investigate for himself, in order to see if the tter really required attention.

Making his way to the particular building in question just about dinner time, he walked straight over to where the kitchen is located. At the very door he encountered two muscularlooking men carrying a huge, steaming

"Put that kettle down," he brusquely ordered; and the men at once obeyed. "Get me a spoon," he next command-

The man who brought the spoon was about to say something, but was ordered to keep silent. "Take off the lid," was the next com-

mand. "I'm going to taste it." The two men were utterly cowed by the official brusqueness, and, wonder-

ing, watched him gulp down a good "Do you mean to say that you call the official demanded. is soup?"

Why .it tastes more like dirty water!" "So it is, sir," replied one of them, spectfully. "We were just scrubbing

Poetry vs Geography. Kipling's latest poem, "White rses," has called forth some divertng criticism. Here, for instance, is Rochester Democrat and Chronicle, which says:

"The poet sets forth, in ornamental inguage, and exults over, as, being a riton, it is perfectly natural and propt that he should exult, Great Britain's Soyraphical isolation, and incidental-vand inferentially, Great Britain's naal supremacy. Now these two characeristics of Great Britain are perfectly wil known, undisputed commonplace ets. They are set forth in every geography and in every encyclopedia. reat Britain is an island, a body of and entirely surrounded by water. Great Britain has the most powerful savy in the world. From which it folows that Great Britain is safer from vasion than any other country. ake whether these facts are set forth the above prosaic manner or in the

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wing poetical manner?" Perhaps it would be difficult to make the critics understand the difference etween geography and poetry, but Lipling might somewhat enlighten the ochester paper by suggesting that one distinction between poetry and geog-laphy is his ability to get \$1 a word by poetry.—Louisville Courier-Journal. A GRAVITY CLOCK.

Corty-one Little Weighted Balls are Em. ployed to Operat the Clock.

New York Jeweler exhibits one of the much-talked-about gravity clocks. ism of its most interesting features. in appearance, the clock suggests a facty finished model of a machine or holating apparatus, rather than a time-piece. The d.al is secured to an up-right brass "A" structure, by a round ancrold barometer, which suggests the familiar steam gauge. Around the dial is a larage fly-wheel, with sockets; and to the left of the fly-wheel is an endless bucket-chain lift, constructed on the principles of a grain elevator, with a thermometer on the post of the lift, suggesting a steam valve. Forty-one little weighted balls, each about the size of a large pen, are employed to op-erate the clock: they are drawn up on the bucket-chain, and dropped at intervals of a minute into a conduit over the fly-wheel, from which they roll in-to the sockets of the wheel. The wheel carries twenty-one of the balls at one time; and their weight revolves the eel. The power thus produced hands on the dial. The wheel carries the balls about a third of the way around; and then they drop into another conduit, a triple incline, which thy lands them at the foot of the vator again, where the endless chain them up for another "swing around the circut."
Some fine mathematical work has

con requisite for this clock, as everything about it depends upon the most exact calculation. The balls must be all of exactly the same weight, and the momentum of each must be the same; for, if any one of them were to lose a totion of a second in descending the incline, it would miss its proper ocket on the lift and stop the clock. Fach of the little spheres travels two hundred and nine teet and five inches every day, and in the course of a year makes a journey of over fourteen miles. they were to travel in relays, they ald make a record close to six huned miles within a year. Of course, problem of perpetual motion has been solved, so there must be a dden mechanism. The clock is cunted upon a Brazilian onyx base, side of which is a regular clock movement, which does not run the clock proper, but merely operates the elevator. A clock movement is employed for this part because of the necessity fer accuracy, it supplies the power and also controls it, so that the chain escapes with precision once every minute.

The Eyesight and Railway Service.

One of the most important outdoor coupations, in relation to eyesight and o public safety, as is now universally numitted, is that of the railway service. The same importance, it seems, in securing accuracy in this field by scientifto tests is now given in England to those employed in the mercantile marine service. The value and necessity of this may be judged from a recent parliamentary relort on the tests for from vision and for color ignorance. in 1896, 5,051 persons were examined in form vision, and thirty-four failed; 5,017 were examined in color vision, and fifty-one failed. The number of officers already in possession of certificates, who, on being examined in 1896, failed to pass the sight tests. twelve-one master, five mates and two second mates failing in the color viston, and one mate and three second mates failing in the form vision. To candidates who fall in color vision an while to those who fall in form vision The result of the re-examinaowed. tions during the period covered by the report is given thus: Of the ninetyree candidates who falled in color nion in 1894-95, seven were examined on appeal in 1896, one being passed and six rejected; of the fifty-six candidates who failed in color vision in 1896, welve were examined on appeal in 1896, five passing and seven being rejected; while of 103 candidates in form vision who failed in 1894-95, five were passed next year, two also passing subsequently of the thirty-six who failed in form vision in 1896.

Had to Allow for a Seam.

When Andrew D. White, now the United States ambassador at Berlin, was our minister to Germany, nearly twenty years ago, he received some queer letters from Americans, asking for his influence in their behalf in court

Perhaps the funniest of all was a in her letter four pices of white linen, each some six inches square.

"We are going to give a fair in our church," she wrote, "and I am making an autograph quilt. I want you to get me the autographs of the emperor, the empress, the crown prince and Bismarck, and tell them to be very careful not to write too near the edge of the squares as a seam has to be allowed for putting them togeher."

Frenks of Nature.

The insurance papers are making erry over the destruction by fire of a re-proof construction company's signt in a certain town. As a matter of fact it is said that self-same town can furnish still more surprising para-dozens in the matter of fires. Some rears ago a mill dam-built of planks -burned out, a railroad water tank was destroyed the same way, and the fire engine house burned down, one of the engine horses perishing in the lames. But this is not a circumstance to the eastern cotton mill that took fire from the tail race, the only place n the mill, the superintendent had said, where he had omitted to place an utomatic sprinkler. Oil on the stream which had backed up the tail race ig-nited and the mill had a narrow escape. Wind sorms and fires do some tunny things when nobody is looking.

"Yes," sigh the editor of the Brooklyn Eagle, "it is vain to preach against the use of cooling liquids in hot weather, but one may still advise moderation, never drink when you are heated; never drink when you are thinking; never drink when you are exercising; never drink when you are thirsty. Where is the office boy with the ice water?" the office boy with the ice. This is the size of it exactly. tresses.

SCIENTIFIC NOTES.

Vaccination laws are not enforced in England. At Norwich, with a population of over 100,000 the vaccina-The dial and the clock case are entire-by of glass, showing the whole mechan- \$40; he receives 50 cents for each tion officer's fees amounted to about

It is proposed to erect a tablet in honor of Prof. Ginseppi Sanarelli, the tever, at the University of Vienna, of which he is an alumnus.

Three Italian physicians, Drs. Lustig, Galeotti and Malenchini, have returned from Bombay with a preventive serum for the plague which they dry and harmless to man and beast. It is introduced by injection in small pears in twenty-four hours. The doc-

Paul Giffard, is attributed a "miracle sure at a temperature of hundreds of rifle is much lighter in weight than the ordinary one and the steel cartridge, nine inches long and as thick as one's thumb, contains 300 bullets, which may be discharged as quickly or slowly as one likes. There is no smoke, no flash and only a sharp and low report. As soon as one cartridge is empty another can be screwed on instantly, 300 shots costing but 21 cents.

Forming.

The Capital Invested in the Proposed Pool Will Exceed \$60,000,000.

Representatives of the steel wire and nail manufacturing firms of the United States, who have for months been negotiating to form a steel wire and nail pool, are nearing a conclusion of their work.

It is said that about twenty of the largest steel wire and nail manufacturcapital invested will exceed \$60,000,- | but . . .

The legal formalities for forming the pool will probably not be completed until after the holidays. Already many of the small wire and nail concerns throughout the country have been brought out and negotiations are pending for the purchase of others. According to judge Gary, of Chicago, T. H. Tenbrouck and others interested the combine will not result in raising the prices to the purchasers of wire and nails, but will enable the manufacturers to operate the plants upon a more economical basis.

The only meeting in connection with the combine held last week was Ledger Building, appeal to special examiners is allowed that of the directors of the Illinois steel company. The business of the Boys mium ilst. Just issued. Watches, meeting was such as usually comes before the men who are interested in ticles are to be Given Away. Girls the company. It was admitted, however, that discussions of the proposed wire and nail pool took up a great portion of the session.

> Pennsylvania Railroad Company Will Issue Clerical Orders for 1898.

> The Pennsylvania Railroad Company announces that the issue of clerical orders will be continued for 1898 on the same lines as in effect at present.

> Application blanks may be obtained of ticket agents, and same should reach the General Office by December 20, so that orders may be mailed December 31 to clergymen entitled furnished by the Company and certified to by one of its agents.

> > Horse Scented Danger.

Sudden Sinking of a Wagon Road Into a Mine.

Jacob Wagner, a prominent citizen of Hazleton, narrowly escaped being swallowed up by a mine cave-in on the highways on Friday. He was driving along the road near Harleigh when his horse's hoof suddenly pierced the surface, causing the animal to turn aside. As it did so the roadbed went down 30 feet.

Had the cave-in occurred five minutes later a loaded trolley car would have gone down with it. Wagner and his team had just cleared the spot when the earth went down.

It is now said that woman's hair is becoming more beautiful in color every year, and is also growing thicker and tonger. This is said to be due to the small light bonnets that women wear. Certain it is that air and sunshine improve the color and texture of the hair. Sun bleaches the hair, and Venetian beauties always dried their ruddy locks in the sun, thereby getting that tint so much admired called Venetian red. Of course, sunshine will not bleach dark hair, but it gives a deeper color to all kinds of UALIFORNIA.

Personally-Conducted Tour via Pennsylvania Railroad.

America is a great country. In variety and grandeur of natural scenery it is unrivaled. Its wooded heights, its fertile valleys, its boundless plains, its rugged and rocky mountains, its discoverer of the microbe of yellow great lakes, its balmy slopes are the tever, at the University of Vienna of this great country, to behold its diversities and its wonders, is a liberal education, a revelation to the immured metropolitan citizen. The Personally-Conducted Tour to California under the direction of the Pennsylvania assert is superior to Dr. Yersin's. It is not intended to cure but to prevent the disease, is more easily prepared to most excellent opportunity to view the the disease, is more easily prepared most excellent opportunity to view the than Yersin's, is free from bacteria, vast variety and boundless beauty of this marvelous land. The party will travel westward in special Pullman doses mixed with sterilized water, cars in charge of a Tourist Agent and producing a slight rash, which disap-Chaperon, stopping en route at Omaha, Denver, Colorado Springs, Manitou, tors tried it on their own persons. Garden of the Gods, Glenwood Springs
To the ingenuity of a Frenchman, and Salt Lake City. In California visits will be made to Monterey and gun," a repeating rifle, which requires the famous Hotel Del Monte, Santa no gun powder. The projecting force Cruz, San Jose, Los Angeles, San is liquified air, obtained under pres- Diego, Riverside, San Bernardino, Redlands, and Pasadena, The party degrees below zero, thus representing will return on the "Golden Gate an enormous expansive power. This Special," the finest train that crosses the Continent, leaving Los Angeles February 2. and stopping at Tueson, El Paso, and St. Louis. Eighteen days will be spent in California. Roundtrip rate, including all necessary expenses during entire trip, \$335 from all points on the Pennsylvania Railroad System east of Pittsburg; \$330 from Pittsburg. For itinerary and full information apply to tickets agents or address Geo. W. Boyd, Assistant General Passenger Agent, Broad Gigantic Steel Wire and Nail Trust Street Station, Philadelphia. 12-2-3t

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A. H. BLOOM,
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Cashier.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of writ of alias Fi. Fa. and Vend. Ex. issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia County, Pa., and to me directed there will be exposed to public sale at the Court House in Bloomsburg on

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31. 1897. at 2 o'clock, P. M. all that certain piece, parcel to receive them. Orders will be issu- burg, Columbia County and State of Pennsylor lot of ground situate in the town of Blooms very mandatory epistle from an old ed only on individual application of lady living in the West, who inclosed clergymen, to be made on blanks said Ninth Street north sixty-five degrees and fifty minutes east, three hundred feet to lands lately laid out and sold by O. A. Jacoby and his administrators, thence by same south twentyeight degrees and five minutes east, one hundred and twenty-eight and one-tenth feet thence westwardly parallel with Ninth street three hundred seven and one-fourth feet to Iron Street aforesald, thence by same north twenty-four degrees and twenty minutes west one hundred and twenty-eight feet to the place of beginning, whereon are erected a twostory Brick Building used for manufacturing purposes, and outbuildings.

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WALLER. HERRING, Attys. Dec. 9, '97 ta

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