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Julia Marlowe, the actress, has been granted a divorce from her husband for cruel treatment.

The home of Joseph Pulitzer in New York, publisher of the *World*, was destroyed by fire on Tuesday. The housekeeper and governess lost their lives.

It is stated as a fact that there are more prisoners from Lycoming county in the Eastern Penitentiary, at Philadelphia, than from any other county in the state, with the exception of Philadelphia.

Robert T. Lincoln and Norman B. Read, executors of the estate of the late George M. Pullman, of Chicago, were on Friday last allotted \$425,000 as compensation for their services. This is claimed to be the largest amount ever allowed executors of any estate handled by the probate court of that city. The estate will figure up to nearly \$14,000,000.

The English law against a man's marrying his deceased wife's sister has been given fresh prominence in this country by the recent arrival of a couple who came thither to avoid it. The law, as is well known had its origin in the ministrations of a verse of the Mosaic law on marriage. In the marriage laws of 1851 (32 Henry VIII) we find that "A man may not marry his deceased wife's sister, nor her daughter, but he may marry his first cousin." These laws have been amended again and again, but the one prohibition has held fast. It exists in no other country, not even Scotland or Ireland, and to avoid it a couple have only to go abroad, since the English civil law is that a marriage is valid at home if valid abroad. This is the "lex loci" and it governs all cases except in polygamous countries.

A Square Stalwart Fight.

It is an open secret that the friends of Quay mean to make a square Stalwart battle in every Legislative district of the State, and to enforce distinct Stalwart mastery in the State convention and in the general management of the Republican party. In the contest of two years ago compromises were made in a number of the counties and mixed Quay and anti-Quay candidates were nominated for the Legislature. The result was divided delegations in some districts on the Senator question and disturbing local agitation among their constituents. The Independents in that contest, with but little organization, defeated a number of the Quay candidates for the Legislature by the election of Democrats and carried a fusion ticket in Chester county.

The battle of 1898 may now be accepted as a mere preliminary skirmish to the contest that is close to hand between the Stalwarts and Independents, with both entering the struggle determined not to give compromise or quarter. Where the Stalwarts or Quay followers have the power to nominate a legislative ticket they will make it distinctly Stalwart from top to bottom, and the Independents will meet such nominations by aggressive opposition regardless of the possible or probable election of Democrats. On this point the two opposing forces will start out occupying the same attitude, and either will oppose the success of the ticket of the other regardless of political consequences.

Such a conflict, involving war to the death between two opposing elements of a great party, must result in the complete overthrow of one and the complete mastery of the other. There will be no middle ground. It is a desperate policy, but both sides have been gradually drifting to it ever since the election of two years ago, and the desperate and decisive struggle we have indicated could be prevented only by the reconvening of the Legislature and the election of a Senator, all of which may now be regarded as most improbable. We present the political conditions as they exist, and both sides may as well look the fact in the face that the Stalwarts or Quay followers, and independent or insurgent lines will be even more aggressively hostile to each other in the coming campaign than either will be to the Democrats.—*Phila. Times.*

A Few Occurrences of the Old Year Worth Knowing.

Death has all seasons for its own and it is surprising, in looking over the records, to find how many distinguished people have been gathered in by the dread reaper during the period covered by this review. First on the long list by virtue alike of the dignity of the office which he occupied and of his own engaging and resourceful personality should be placed the name of Garret A. Hobart, formerly Vice President of the United States. Perhaps none of his predecessors in the Vice Presidency, that tomb of political ambitions, had made his influence so much and so beneficially felt in national affairs as Mr. Hobart, and he was possessed, in addition, of so many amiable qualities, that his decease was felt to be a public loss and was the subject of great and general regret. Other American statesmen and publicists of prominence who have passed away during the year are Nelson Dingley, the Republican leader in the House of Representatives and the author of the Tariff bill now in operation; Richard Parks Bland, ex-Senator Charles R. Buckalew, the veteran Justin S. Morrill, of Vermont; James B. Eustis, formerly Ambassador of the United States at Paris, and ex-Senator and Attorney General Garland. Among foreign men of affairs whose deaths are noted are Felix Faure, President of the French Republic; Emilio Castelar, President of short-lived Republic of Spain; Count Caprivi, Chancellor of the German Empire, and General Blanco, ex-President of Venezuela.

Literature has lost representatives in Mrs. E. D. E. N. Southworth, Grant Allen, Horatio Alger, Florence Marryatt, and William Black; science is the poorer by the deaths of Dr. D. G. Brinton, Sir Douglass Galton, and Wilhelm Eberhard Bunsen; the state has lost Augustin Daly, John Sleeper Clark, Charles Coghlan, and Emma Walker; the famous artists, who have gone, include Rosa Bonheur, the illustrious painter of animals, and Bir- ket Foster, the English landscapist and engraver; and music mourns the taking off of Johan Strauss, the waltz king, and of Richard Stahl, the promising young composer of popular comic operas. The dead inventors are Stephen A. Morse, and Ottmar Mergenthaler. Among the leaders in the world of business and finance the deceased comprise Cornelius Vanderbilt, Frank Thomson ex Judge Hilton, Roswell P. Flower, Dell Nobit, Charlemagne Tower and Henry B. Plant. Eminent publisher and editors and writers, who have gone are Robert Bonner, Joseph Medill, John A. Freas, John Russell Young, Robert Ingersoll, and William Henry Appleman. The legal profession is the poorer by the loss of F. Carroll Brewster, Henry C. Townsend, Judge Reeder, Justice Henry W. Williams, of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, and Justice Stephen John-Field of the Supreme Court of the United States. The ministry of religion has lost Bishops Williams, O'Hara and Newman, Dwight L. Moody and Fathers P. A. Jordan and Nicholas Cantwell, and among the prominent citizens who are no more, are Charles F. Guillou, Chas. J. Field, Wm. H. Rhawn, Wm. P. Tatham, Thomas H. McAllister, Amos M. Slack, Thomas Cochran, Joseph H. Menn, Samuel G. King, James McManes, ex-Provost Charles J. Stille, Allen B. Rorke, Nicholas Maguire, Horace Stephens, and Wilson H. Jenkins.—*Phila. Inquirer.*

A Southern Jamboree.

We have just received from the publishers a copy of this most unique musical composition. It is certainly one of the most catchy and attractive pieces of music that we have ever heard. It is almost impossible to keep your feet still while it is being played and it is making as big a hit as "Georgia Camp Meeting." A sufficient guarantee of its merit is the fact that it is from the pen of Mr. J. W. Lerman, the composer of the now famous "Kaya Kaya Dance." It has been dedicated to Mr. Thos. F. Shannon and introduced by him and his famous Twenty-Third Regiment Band, N. G. S. N. Y. Mr. Shannon, who was formerly manager of Sousa's Great Band, knows a good thing when he sees it, and he is having such success in playing it that Sousa, Innis, Brooke, Washington Marine and all the largest and best known bands have taken it up and are now playing it to most enthusiastic audiences. The regular price of this music is 50c. per copy, but if our readers will be sure to mention the name of this paper they can secure a copy by sending 20c. to the Union Mutual Music Co., 20 E. 14th Street, New York.

The entire man line of the Philadelphia and Reading Railway company, between Pottsville and Philadelphia, is now equipped with the Hall automatic signals. This section between Bridgeport and Philadelphia has lately been completed, and it is now stated that work will be commenced upon the line between Reading and Williamsport.

"Necessity is the Mother of Invention."

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People of Bloomsburg will have an opportunity of witnessing on Monday evening next, January 15th, an elaborate presentation of Lincoln J. Carter's "Chattanooga," one of the most stirring dramas seen in this city for many years. "Chattanooga," as the play might suggest, is a play dealing with the incidents prior to and during the battle of Lookout Mountain, with a plot of unusual strength, based on the neutral ground of the heroism of the Union and Confederate soldier and honor of Southern women. Mr. Carter has utilized every opportunity to construct a drama of national interest and importance. That he has done so is fully verified by the flattering commendations made in both sections of the country, and the north and the south alike have united in praising this bit of realism. Not of the least importance in this play are the scenic effects at which Mr. Carter is known to be a master. Every scene faithfully depicts situations and places surrounding the famous Lookout Mountain and it is not an unusual occurrence to see old soldiers sitting in the audience and pointing out to their comrades points familiar to them and many times their exclamations of surprise and delight are visible to the audience. The story woven into the play is delightful and of such heartfelt interest that it appeals to people of all classes, and tears and laughter often mingle as the artists fit from comedy almost to tragedy.

A Brave Coward.

The Chicago & North-Western Railway Company announces the publication of a thrilling story of campaigning in the Philippines entitled "A Brave Coward." The famous battle of Malate, the charge at La Loma, a love romance, the career of the Tenth Pennsylvania at Manila and in Luzon, the conquering of cowardice by a young Pennsylvanian, all are interwoven into one of the most delightful short stories of the hour yet issued. In common with the First Nebraska, the Thirtieth Minnesota, the Utah and Oregon men and the Twentieth Kansas, the Tenth Pennsylvania made history in the war against Aguinaldo. The tale is superbly illustrated with half-tones, printed in convenient form, and will be forwarded to any address on receipt of 6 cents in postage by W. B. Kniskern, 22 Fifth Avenue, Chicago, Ill.

An Ideal Ready Made Food.

Prof. Naumann, a most eminent authority on chemical and medical questions, says that cod liver oil is almost an ideal ready-made food. He says it is easy to digest, easily makes fat, and is also a medicine. Scott's Emulsion contains this oil so prepared that it is not at all unpleasant.

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Almost a Daily at the Price of a Weekly.

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 PREVIOUS TO STOCK TAKING.
 During this month we will offer
BIG BARGAINS IN WINTER CLOTHING!
 Must be sold to make room for spring goods.
COME EARLY for BARGAINS
AT TOWNSEND'S
STAR CLOTHING HOUSE.

The following letters are held at the Bloomsburg, Pa., postoffice, and will be sent to the dead letter office Jan. 23, 1900. Persons calling for these letters will please say "that they were advertised January 11, 1900":
 Jas. Crawford, Miss Mazie Eires, Luisa Gilbert, Wm. A. Haywood, Miss Sarah Hamilton, Mrs. Sarah Lawton, Miss Gussie Malone, Mr. J. H. C. Manifold, Mr. W. C. Runyan, Miss Estelle Wertman.
 Cards: Miss Anna Kiser.
 Parcel: Miss Estelle Wertman.
 One cent will be charged on each letter advertised.
 O. B. MELLICK, P. M.

WANTED—SEVERAL PERSONS FOR District Office Managers in this State to represent me in their own and surrounding counties. Willing to pay yearly \$600, payable weekly. Desirable employment with unusual opportunities. References exchanged. Enclose self-addressed stamped envelope. S. A. Park, 320 Caxton Building, Chicago. 12-21-1900

SHERIFF'S SALE.
 By virtue of a writ of F. Fa., issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia County, Pennsylvania, and to me directed, there will be exposed to public sale, at the Court House, in Bloomsburg, County and State aforesaid, on

SATURDAY, FEB. 3, 1900,
 at two o'clock in the afternoon, all that certain piece, or parcel of land, situate in the Township of Locust, Columbia county, Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to wit: Beginning at a white oak, then partly by land now, or formerly, of Francis H. Kern, and partly by George Kline, south thirteen degrees, west eighty perches to a post, formerly a black oak; thence by land of William Ervine, south eighty-seven degrees, east one hundred and seven perches to a post; thence by lands now, or formerly, of John Lee, north three degrees, east six perches to a post; and thence partly by the same and partly by lands of Joseph Tyson, north forty-seven and one-half degrees, west one hundred and twenty-one perches to place of beginning, containing
 30 ACRES.
 strict measure, be the same more or less, whereon are erected a two-story
FRAME DWELLING HOUSE,
 frame barn, and other outbuildings.
 Seized, taken in execution, at the suit of Matilda Swank, to use of O. W. Chertington, administrator of Lawson Hughes, deceased, vs. Samuel Reinbold, and to be sold as the property of Samuel Reinbold.
 W. W. BLACK,
 SHERIFF.
 FUNK, ATTY.

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SATURDAY, FEB. 3, 1900,
 at two o'clock p. m., all the right, title and interest, of C. E. Hagenbuch, in the following described message, tenement and tract of land, situate in the Township of Centre, County of Columbia, aforesaid, bounded and described as follows, to wit: Beginning at a stone corner, in line of land of Elisha Hagenbuch; thence by said land of Elisha Hagenbuch, north eight and one-half degrees, west two-hundred and ten and eight-tenths perches to stone, at line of land of Henry DeLong; thence by said land of Henry DeLong, north seventy-six and five-eighths degrees, east sixty-nine and three-tenths perches to corner, at line of land of Franklin H. Hagenbuch; thence by said land of Franklin H. Hagenbuch, south seventeen and one-quarter degrees, east one hundred and twenty and six-tenths perches to a stone; thence by same south seventy-six and one-eighth degrees west, six and three-tenths perches; thence by same south twelve and three-quarters degrees, east sixty-one and four-tenths perches to the southward side of public road; thence by said road south, seventy degrees, west thirteen and two-tenths perches to a stone; thence (south) by land of same south, nineteen degrees, east twenty-four and three-tenths perches to a stone corner, in line of land of J. S. Hagenbuch; thence by said land of J. S. Hagenbuch, south seventy-three degrees, west thirty-nine and two-tenths perches to the stone, the place of beginning, containing
 52 ACRES
 and eighty-eight perches of land, neat measure, be the same more or less, whereon are erected a two-story
FRAME DWELLING HOUSE,
 log barn, and other outbuildings.
 Seized, taken in execution, at the suit of James K. Litter vs. C. E. Hagenbuch, and to be sold as the property of C. E. Hagenbuch.
 W. W. BLACK,
 SHERIFF.
 LESLER & LESLER, ATTYs.

F. P. PURSEL.
The Promptings
Of Prudence.
 Prudence should prompt you to read our store news, especially at this season. If there's virtue in economy, then our advertising columns plainly point the way by which that virtue can be put into immediate practice. Let us again explain that our policy is opposed to carrying over any sort of merchandise from one season to another.
 Only one way to make this policy active, and that is by active price reductions. These reductions stand out on these offerings so that there is no mistaking them.

Garment Offerings.
 Money in the till is better than jackets on the racks. We'll get less money for them than we're justly entitled to, but that doesn't matter, so long as you save the difference.
 \$12.00 and \$10.00 jackets reduced to \$7.49.
 \$8.50 and \$7.50 jackets reduced to \$5.49.
 \$5.00 jackets reduced to \$3.79.
 A few heavy suits that were \$16.00, reduced to \$10.00, the \$20.00 quality reduced to \$12.50. These suits will not be fitted at these prices.
 You will find big reductions among our capes.

Knitted Underwear.
 To summer it means camphor and cases, testing and lugging dead stock and dead money for six months. Isn't it clear to you why we're offering 10 per cent. discount on all our underwear for the next two weeks?

Furniture.
 The factories have made big advances on all kinds of furniture, but what we have in stock we will sell at the old price during January.

Dress Goods.
 We have gone through our dress goods and picked out all odd pieces and put them in lots. We have not counted cost on them, but put a price on them to close them out.
 One lot at 25c, another lot at 36c, another at 44c. You can find big values in any of these lots.

Muslin Underwear
 We sold many last week, but we have more to sell. You will save money if you buy during this sale.

Domestics.
 We are selling best blue prints at 5c; apron gingham at 5c; 10 yds of good unbleached muslin at 50c; 10 yds of bleached muslin at 69c.

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