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d June 16th, 1874. of enacted by the Burgess ordained and enacted by ame, that the following for the government of ORDINANCE.

STICLE L-AUDITOR. Borough Auditor shall annually, the first Monday in March, exadjust the books, papers and horough Trensurer and all the Borough into whose pos-ys of the Borough may come fiscal year, which shall close

rebriary. cancel all orders and youchwed in the Treasurer's ac-mediately present to the report of the receipts and preceding year, together fany, in the hands of any igh, due and unpaid, and he the Secretary all orders or

gh Assessor shall make the persons within the limits of activeen the first and tenth by year, and shall deliver the the lath of said month, to e, as provided by law, that meil will meet for the purpeals on the third Saturday

turday succeeding the third ary, the Burgess shall present e returns of election held in sough officers. ke the eath or affirmation.

as shall see that the public and shall enforce obedience es and regulations of the sign all orders drawn on only for the payment of seen approved and ordered incit. He shall have charge al, and shall affix the same to all papers requiring serein the Conneil is equally seshall have the casting vote. sess shall have control of the of the police (if any be aps of emergencies shall have evial policemen: Provided, shall not continue longer ess the same shall be ap-

ce or inability of the Burperform the duties tem-

ar, and keep accurate account

I receive all ordinances which d by the Council and approved

keep the proceedings and minin meetings, and perform Ha report of the finances or the preceding year, and notice, not later than the on the Borough tax assess-

elect, or, in the absence mber elected as tempora-ide. The returns of elecheers being presented and in, he shall ask the question,

rer. Street Commissioner, I such other officers as may law, all of whom, when to ath or affirmation to dis-duties with fidelity—said

e Council shall fix by regu-

HIGH CONSTABLE found upon the streets. fore the Burgess to be ex-above described persons as I disorderly conduct calcu-prace, or of being gathered

be dollars nor more than the duty of the High Coutake complaint to the Buris knowledge, and pro-ofs thereof, and shall, in

time and place of holding hassessments, and all or-the Council, and shall ex-

and processes issued by the

is that may be confined in Same fees as are allowed services—said fees to be risoner as costs.

of the Borough, derived from fines, taxes, or any other sources, to pay to the Borough Treasurer, on or before the fifth day of each month, the full amount collected or received by them respectively during the preceding month, with a statement of how derived. They shall report to Council at every regular monthly meeting the amount of money received by them.

ARTICLE IX — SIDEWALES.

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Sec. 1. It shall be the duty of the owner of any lot or lots fronting on any street laid out within the limits of this corporation, at such time as may hereafter be directed by Council, to cause sidewalks or footwalks to be made of plank, brief, or flagstone.

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Sec. 2. If any owner or owners of lots shall refuse or neglect to make their respective footwalks, as herein specified, within sixty days after being notified by the Street Commissioner, then the Street Commissioner shall cause the same to be made speedily at the expense of the Borough, and the Borgess shall proceed, as provided by law, to recover the amount so expended, with twenty per cent, added; which sum shall be paid into the Borough treasury for the use of the Borough.

Sec. 3. It shall be the duty of the Burgess and Council to have the streets and alleys surveyed

Sec. 3. It shall be the duty of the Burgess and Council to have the streets and alleys surveyed and laid out, having a width as near the specification of the town plot as possible, and owners of property shall remove fences and all other obstructions outside the limits of streets and footwalks as soon thereafter as practicable.

Sec. 4. All streets or alleys not laid out or specified in the town plot shall remain in such condition, naless owners of property adjoining specified in the town plot shall remain in such condition, unless owners of property adjoining such unspecified streets or alleys shall donate for the use of the Borough the requisite amount of ground necessary for said streets or idleys; or until such time as the Burgess and Council may direct the same to be opened at the expense of the Borough.

Sec. 5. Any person trespassing on any side-walk with any animal or vehicle, hitching ani-mals to trees, fences or buildings, or anything not provided for that purpose, shall pay a fine of not less than one dollar nor more than ten dollars.

Sec. 1. The officers of the Borough shall each receive the salary hereinafter specified.

Sec. 2. The Borough Secretary shall receive such compensation as Council shall direct.

Sec. 3. The Street Commissioner shall receive such compensation as Council shall direct. such compensation as Council may order for each day actually employed in the service of the Borough.

Sec. 4. The High Constable, besides such fees

and costs as he may be entitled to, shall receive five per cent, of the amount which he actually collects on the Borough tax book and pays over to the Borough Treasurer, Sec. 5. The Treasurer shall receive a salary per annum, or a per cent, on amount received late the treasury, as the Council may be reafter

Sec. 6. The Surveyor shall receive for each day actually employed in the service of the Borough such compensation as the Burgess

ARTICLE XI. FINES AND FEES.

Sec. 1. The fees and costs of the Burgess and High Constable shall be the same as prescribed by law for Justices of the Peace and Constables; Provided, that the Borough shall not be liable and Council shall direct.

Provided, that the Borough shall not be hable for the costs and fees of said officers.

Sec. 2. All fines shall be recovered by conviction before the Burgess, and in all cases of conviction the party convicted shall be liable to pay, in addition to the fine, the legal fees or costs which may have accrued in the case.

Sec. 2. If any nerson or parants sentenced by Sec. 3. If any person or persons sentenced by the Burgess shall neglect or refuse to pay the fines, together with the fees and costs, such person or persons may be committed to the lock-up house for a period not exceeding the time prescribed by law; and the lines, with the

ARTICLE XII.—LICENSES.
Sec. I. No person or persons within the limits of this Borough shall exhibit any play, show, juggling, theatrical, or other exhibition, for which money is demanded or received, with-out afficense for that purpose had and obtained

Sec. 2. The amount of license to be paid for the exhibition of any show or play above men-tioned shall be not less than three dollars nor more than twenty-five dollars, the amount of each liceuse to be determined by the Burgess. Sec. 3. That for lectures on scientific or literary subjects, or exhibitions or fairs for benevmit shall be required.

Sec. 4. Any person violating any provision of this article shall, on conviction, he fined not less than five nor more than twenty-five dollars for each offense.

ARTICLE XIII.—THEASURER.

Sec. 1. The Treasurer, within ten days after his election, shall give bonds, with sufficient sureties in the sum of five hundred dollars, until otherwise ord, red, sureties to be approved. by the Council and find filed with the Borough by the Council and find filed with the Borough Secretary. Said Treasurer shall assume duties on the second Tuesday of March.

Sec. 2. He shall receive all moneys belonging to the Borough, and shall pay out the same only upon orders drawn by the Burgess and countersigned by the Secretary, and shall de-liver to his successor in office all books, mon-eys and property belonging to the Borough

eys and property belonging to the Borough which may be in his possession.

Sec. 3. He shall keep his accounts in a plain manner, wherein the receipts and expenditures shall be exhibited, and each item of charge and discharge shall appear therein. Said accounts on any subject perses without the same havathem.

It Saturday in May of each all Council shall meet for ing appeals from the Borough appeals from the Borough appeals from the Borough apply and pay for the same. He stall keep account of all licenses granted and the revenue derived therefrom in a book kept for that purpose.

Sec. 5. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer purposes a tax not exceeding by law.

It is built annually levy and where of dogs and bitches and prescribed by the laws.

Sec. 5. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to report to the Council, at each and every monthly meeting, the amount of money on hands at the time of the last statement, the amount received up to the fifth of the current month, from where received, and the amount paid by him during said month.

Sec. 6. On the second Tuesday of March, each year, the Treasurer shall submit to the Council a detailed statement of all moneys received by

him during the preceding year, from whom, what source received, and the amount paid by him. He is required to notify the Council at the first meeting thereafter of the time the duplicate is placed in the hands of the Collector, and shall assist the Secretary in making out the Borough duplicate. Sec. 7. The Treasurer is directed to keep a register of all dogs and bitches returned to him in accordance with the ordinance of the Bor-ough, and furnish a certificate to the party

registering the same. ARTICLE XIV. - STREET COMMISSIONER. Sec. 1. The Street Commissioner shall be subject to the direction of the Burgess and Council, and shall have full power in carrying out his instructions, to make contracts and to hire all needful aid, subject to the approval of the Burgess and Council.

Sec. 2. It shall be the duty of the Street Comsec.

missioner to enforce all regulations or ordi-nances of the Borough relating to streets, alnances of the Borough relating to streets, nileys, sidewalks, gutters, bridges and sewers,
and attend to the opening of all new streets
and alleys. He shall certify all bills for material furnished in his department, and have
charge of all tools belonging to the Borough
and be accountable for the same.

Sec. 3. The Street Commissioner shall prepare
and present to Council at each monthly meet-

Sec. 3. The Street Commissioner shall prepare and present to Council at each monthly meeting, upon a check-roll, his own name and the name of every person employed under him, showing each day such person was employed, where and how employed, amount of daily pay and total amount due each person, and shall certify the same.

REPEALING ARTICLE. Any section in this Ordinance may be re-cealed, amended, or added to by a two-third rote of Council: Provided, that notice be given one month previous to the passage of such additions, amendments, or repeals.

Passed finally by the Council and approved by the Burgess this lath day of June, A. D. 1874.

JOHN E. STORM, Burgess.

WILLIAM McCONNELL, Clerk. A DMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of JOSEPH PRIESTER, dec'd.

Letters of Administration on the estate of said decedent, late of Allegieny township, Cambria country have been been allegieny township, authorical to the proper authorical township. ded than the amount county, have been granted by the proper authority to the undersigned, who hereby notifies all perty for firearm, or care, made without dalay and these having claims of other firearm, or care-thandling the same or the except in defence of the limits of this Bor-ling the same or the Elimits of this Bor-

## EBENSBURG, PA.; FRIDAY, JUNE 26, 1874.

TO HELEN. It was a wild, sequestered spot On the bank of the Bois Doree, Whose rushing waters tarried net In their race for St. Louis Bay. And there sat by the side of the yellow stream A fisherman bearded and broad of beam, And he angled for perch with skill supreme The whole of that summer day.

The fish were shy, or the bait was stale, Or the water too muddy, I ween, For never a perch flapped his silvery tail On the bank where the fisher was seen-Not a bite, not a sign of a nibble to show That here in the depths of the broad bayou Was perch, or pike, or pampane, Or garfish pearly green.

As the yellow sun was going down
To the song of the marsh hen's cry,
The fisherman's brow was marked with a

And his broad breast heaved with a sigh-For his book was fast in a hidden crag, A water-logged bough, or the root of a flag, Such as wave where the naiads lie.

To his feet arose that fisher brave-That fisherman broad of beam-And with delicate care essaved to save His dipsy and hook from the stream. Twas delicate care and delicate touch, But more than a little was much too much A jerk too many, a pull too strong, And prone on his back he lay along With prickly prongs of cactus plants That pierced the linen of blouse and pants In band and body and seam,

Did he rave and tear his shaggy hair, As pien are went to do? This fisherman-did he curse and swear Until the air turned blue? Far from it. One brawny hand he laid On port side aft, where many a blade Of cactus had gone through;

The other he slowly raised aloft As he heaved a heavy sigh, And then in accents sad and soft, "Helen Blazes!" I heard him cry.

How sweet, methought, is the love which quells The evil passion that rises and swells Within the troubled soul, When pain excites the wicked swear, Or disappointment, corns, or care,

Leave wee instead of comfort there, And misery holds control! Sweet Helen! May thine influence Bide ever with him thus; Thy spirit soothe the rage intense That prompts the spoken cuss; For men will rage, and men will swear, And carry on, and rip and tear, reak the decalog

If thou, dear woman, be not there To counsel and to keep them clear Of things iniquitous. GATH BRITTLE.

A VERITABLE GHOST STORY.

## THE MISER'S CURSE.

est for the imagination of the heart.

flowed from that act of paternal pride.

and struggles for breath on that bed. He enter it.

the morning of life, leaving three children | which came, year after year, that his prote his care. The two youngest ones, a girl | phecies were slowly fulfilling themselves. and boy, were left to do pretty much as

ness, and repulsed her efforts to win a re- father wrote : ... cognition of her right to a place in his cold

in a Southern State, and a faithful negress poverished by your mad and unprincipled presided over it as housekeeper after the wastefulness. Beg, starve, steal, but from to myself be what it may." decease of her mistress. The strictest me you gain nothing; and that you may economy prevailed in every department, know how hopeless will be your cry for niggardly, under the pretext that a liberal to believe that you had some of my nature

dissipated and extravagant habits. The most ordinary advantages of educa- to it, and I am satisfied. tion were bestowed upon the children, and even these might have been withheld but wretched and the outcast, and take with for the importunities of their black "mam- you the renewal of the miser's curse." my," who insisted on their right to some

se what he would do for him. life, sought a bride possessing the requisite world with which he was totally unfit to qualifications to please his father. A wrestle. young girl from a neighboring county vis- The sufferings, the hopelessness, the ited his native town, who possessed in her terrible struggles of the four following own right a handsome, unincumbered pro- years, no pen may trace, though, alas perty. He sought her acquaintance, found there are many who can comprehend them

consent to become his wife. Allegheny Twp., June 12, 1814-61.

Allegheny Twp., the proposed match, and when his son re-minded him of his oft-repeated promise to to those born to it; but to the gentle nur-

was also a scion of one of the most aristoscious that he had lowered his own stanhard dealings with others, he felt a secret pride in the thought that his son's prospects had not suffered from the little es-

teem in which men held himself. William Herbert had taken every precaution to secure absolutely in his own power the property bestowed by his father. It was a marvel among the lawyers who drew the deeds that such a man as the miser should have opened his purse to the training his son had received would prevent him from using his wealth with a at least theirs.

lavish hand. In bitterness of heart he soon saw his error; the check secured, the younger Herbert soon displayed his natural tastes; they were lavished to profusion, and the money he had never been taught to value justly was expended with the recklessness of one who thought he had suddenly acquired the purse of Fortunatus. He pur-chased a beautiful villa in the vicinity of the town, and furnished it extravagantly. All the appointments of the establishment were luxurious and elegant, and the newly wedded couple commenced a style of

housekeeping corresponding with them. The young wife was thoughtless, fond of pleasure, and strongly attached to her husband; the two agreed perfectly in their tastes, and but for the violent displeasure alas! it was now turned to the most cruel enof the elder Herbert, their life would have mity. His appeals were rejected with such been wi hou a cloud. He often larker eithe bitter, stinging contempt-such oversunshine in which they hved by his pres- whelming abuse, that he soon ceased to quiredence beneath their roof, when sneers, reproaches, and bitter gibes, ever formed lot he had incurred by his own recklessthe staple of his conversation.

hematize himself audibly for having been so great a fool as to place any portion of

such a spendthrift as his son. pleased in it; that he would receive him brother. sidered due to them, but he would no longer tolerate insult under his own roof.

The father listened with repressed fury : sion broke forth in words of bitter vehe- to share alike with his brother and sister.

He ended with-"Your roof indeed ; was it not bought with my money and that of old Roger Wilton? for you never earn-Disclaim it as we may, the night side of ed a penny in your worthless life, and if nature has a wild and mysterious attraction all this foolish wastefulness goes on, how for every human sout. The mystic realm long will it be yours, do you think? Boy, which lies beyond the present life, into you know hard as men think me, I have which we must all plunge at some future always loved you; but from this hour you period, must ever possess a thrilling inter- are to me as though you do not exist. I never will darken your threshold again, The story I am about to relate is one of and if you come to the direst poverty, as facts which transpired years ago, but there know you must, not another penny of are many yet living who can bear witness to the truth of the following incidents. mine shall you ever receive. It is enough to have played the fool once for such an to have played the fool once for such an In a small, poorly-furnished room a miser | ingrate as you have proved yourself. I lay dying. He had been a hard, grasping shake the dust from my feet, and bid you man of the world, a usurer, a trader in the never again to greet me as your father. I miseries and wants of others, and by such am no longer such to you, for henceforth means he had accumulated wealth which I am your bitter and uncompromising enhe hoarded with all the greed of his nature, emy. I leave with you what you may But once in his life had he been known to smile at, the miser's curse, but it will fall, act with liberality toward any human be- fall, fall !" And as he repeated the oming, and terrible results to the favored one inous word he stamped his foot violently upon the floor, and in a species of blind Look at the miserable wreck that pants frenzy left the house never again to re-

is old, wasted, repulsive, and mean; but From that day Herber, was harder and even such as he is, he was once loved by a more grinding in his dealings than before, gentle and good woman; but that was in | The only soft feeling his heart had ever his youth, when his step was elastic and known became a source of bitterness, and free, while his face retained the impress of a sort of maniacal hatred of his undutiful humanity and had not hardened into what son took possession of him. He watched his extravagant career with malicious ea-Fortunately for herself, his wife died in gerness, and gloated over the evidences

they pleased, while the father gave all the less disregard of expenses, William Herheart nature had bestowed upon him to bert soon found that even his ample rehis eldest son-a handsome, high-spirited sources did not save him from embarrasslad, who grew in wilfulness as years crept | ments. The fortune he thought inexhaustible wasted slowly away; he raised money William Herbert soon learned to consider as reckless mer. do, and his father employhimself all-important to his father; the only ed an agent to furnish the funds he needsmiles that were ever seen upon his face ed, until his utter ruin was consummated. illumined it at his approach, and the only No mercy was shown; he was stripped of words of affection that fell from his lips everything, and thrown helpless and penwere addressed to this beloved son. Even | niless upon the world with a wife and four | tated | but the stern necessity of the case his daughter he treated with silent stern- children dependent upon him. Then the

"Where is your roof now, William Her-Theirs was a curious household. It was peal to me in behalf of those you have in- put her as de, as he said : allowance would tempt him to indulge in | in you. I have again made it out of your

To the miserable, broken-down man, 'larnin." As they advanced to maturity this was the last bitter drop that caused the father kept the elder son in bounds by his cup of anguish to overflow. The knowpromising that, when he settled in life, he ledge that his own father had precipitated would act most liberally toward him. But, his ruin, and now gloated over his unhapat the same time, he gave him to under- py condition, overcame the last remnant stand that he would tolerate no inferior of fortitude, and he sank into a brain marriage; he must choose a wife from the fever which threatened to destroy him .ranks of the wealthy, and then he would The tender care of his wife saved his life, but the few resources left to the ruined Tired of the strict dependence in which family were exhausted by his long illness, he was kept, William Herbert, early in and Herbert arose from his couch to face a

her sufficiently attractive to suit his own from actual experience, and know how taste, and soon succeeded in winning her the life-drops of the heart were turned to The oldest Herbert was delighted with find the means of sutaining bare existence. whole life."

brought wealth to her husband, but she hardest efforts was quite insufficient to supply the wants of his family. His wife cratic families in his native state. Con- was not strong, but she sustained herself wonderfully, and helped to eke out their dard as a man by his miserly habits and slender means by her needle, that common resource of her sex.

Amidst all their wretchedness, it was a great consolation to Mrs. Herbert that her husband never resorted to the stimulant of The marriage took place, but not before strong drink to drown his sorrows. Together they bore their fallen fortunes, and in their mutual affection found some consolation for the evils they both felt that ordinary prudence might have averted .-Yet neither reproached the other with this, for tender and sincere affection formed a such an extent; but he firmly believed true bond of union between them, and the sad consolation of suffering together was | if he will give me the power to torment |

> From the day the miser uttered his anathema against his eldest son he had net permitted his younger children to hold any communion with him, and they dared not offer William, assistance from the slender means allowed them, lest they, too,

> should be cast off by their stern parent, Two more children were added; to, the suffering family during these terrible years -heirs of want and suffering; and bitter were the tears of self-reproach shed over their helplessness by the destitute parents, when they thought of what might have been, in contrast with the miserable re-

> ality before them. Herbert made more than one effort to soften his father. He vainly appealed to that affection which had once existed, but make them, and resigned himself to the

Sometimes his temper would be aroused At length the miser sickened; day by to a pitch of fury by the wastefu lextrava- | day he grew worse; he became aware of gance he beheld, and he would often ana- his own danger, and summoned a lawyer to make his will. Every legal technicality was brought in play to exclude his cluest his hard-earned wealth at the disposal of son or his children from ever succeeding to the smallest fraction of his estate. The Violent scenes were at length of frequent property was bequeathed to his younger occurrence, and William finally spoke bold- children and their heirs, on the solc condily to his father and teld him that his house tion that they would never share the smallwas his own, and he intended to act as he est portion of it with their discarded

as a guest so long as he chose to treat him- Herbert heard of the old man's dying self and his wife with the respect, he con- condition. A kind friend informed him of the provisons of the will, and urged him to make a last effort to soften his heart in his favor, that, while life remained, but when the son ceased speaking his pas- he might cancel the deed, and permit him

The heart of the son yearned to behold once more the father who had loved him | pects, they retired. in his boyish days, and he went slowly toward the shabby old house in which his family dwelt. Twelve years had rolled away since he last stood beneath its roof, and now, with faltering steps, he drew near, and struck a faint and uncertain knock upon the door. He was forced to repeat it before any one came, and when it was at last opened by old Phillis, she uttered a shriek of surprise, and came very near shutting it upon him again.

"You here, Marse William! Here at dis herry door dat's bin shet upon you so long! Oh Lor', oh Lor'! an' I dare not let you in! He would kill me of he knowed I even spoke to you!" "But he cannot hurt you now, Phillis."

urged the poor son. "He is dying, and I "Oh! chile, chile, you dunno how strong de ebesary is wi' de ole man. Ef he was at his las' gasp, an' foun' out dat I spoke wid you, he'd come back to life to strike at me, Oh, you'd best get away, Marse

William, for you dunno how orful wicked he is-how he goes on when he even thinks bout gou." "And does he hate me so, even on his bed of death?" asked the pale man. "Oh! Phillis, I must see him; must ask pardon for myself and help for my poor little children. ... Without them my life will become

a miserable wreck." "See him? blessed Marster! what is do boy talking about? Is it to see sich a With no habits of business, and a care- rampin' mad creeter as he gits to be ef enybody even calls your name? De lawyer what wrote his will axed 'bout you, an' put him in sich a fit I thought he was dyin' sure. Oh Lor'! and when he comed to didn't he say dreffel things, an' ax the blessed Marster up yonder to let 'em come | mechanically in the procession, looking to pass agin you? Don't go-don't go to

him, Marse William !" Her earnestness had some weight with Herbert, and, for a few moments, he hesiseemed to offer him no alternative. He trembling upon the verge of insanity, and to make this effort, and he nerved himself bert? Come not, undutiful ingrate, to ap- to resist the pleadings of his nurse. He

"He entered and drew near his father's room; when he reached the door he paused and although her master was known to help, learn that I instigated . Calder to a moment to prepare himself for the dreadhave accumulated wealth, no evidences of close upon you; that I stood behind him ed interview; at length he ventured to unit were ever seen. Even in the expendi- and caused him to act for me; and in so close it gently and look in. The dying the clods rattied upon the coffin; and when tures of the darling son the same parsimo- doing I have regained the money I so mad- man lay apparently in a light slumber, and the attendants were pressing down the ny was observed. To him Herbert was ly gave to you, because I was fool enough his daughter, pale and languid from long watching, sat beside the bed.

She raised her head at the slight rustle necessities, with a fair per centage added he made on entering, and she could scarcely have seemed more appalled had a spectre suddenly risen before her. She repressed the cry that arose to her lips, and motioned him back, as she pointed meaningly toward their father; but William

heeded her not. He rushed impetuously toward the bed, threw himself beside it, and thus kneeling he grasped the hand that lay upon the coverlet, already cold with the dews of approaching death. At that touch the spirit of the departing one struggled back to life; he who seemed scarcely breathing but a moment before was suddenly endued with terrible vitality. He started up in the bed, his glazing eyes glaring with evil passion, and his lips writhing with their efforts to utter the torrent of anger that surged with-

in him. He wrenched his hand from his son, and regarded him with an expression that half paralyzed him. William could only stam-

"Pardon-pardon-remove the curse. O bitterness by the daily and hourly effort to father! Let it not cling to me through my

you from my sight !" and he attempted to and exclaimed :

off, and sat perfectly erect, with raised finger, as be continued-"Hear my last words, William Herbert, and know that they are the utterances of as deadly hate as ever sprang up between man and man. I have no pardon for you; and if my resentment can manifest itself beyond the grave, I will come back to you and make your life a bitterness to you. 1 have little faith in parsons or their cant; but I believe there is a demon-I have

known him, I have felt his influence-and

you, I will surrender myself to him body

and soul. Now go, and take with you the renewed curse of him you would not suffer to die in peace," Exhausted by the effort he sank back, and by the time his head touched the pil-

low he was dead. Horror-struck at the result of his effort at conciliation, Herbert left the house be- each other. ildered and trembling. As he walked through the streets toward his own abode, t seemed to him that a form flitted beside im, breathed coldly upon him, and even was found in its usual condition, but its touched his person with icy fingers, but young occupants were all awake and frightwhen he turned toward it, nothing was ened at the tumult around them. As the

He found his wife waiting for him; the hildren were in bed, and she sat beside her solitary candle plying her needle industriously. One glance at his face informed her that something unusual and distressing | they again slept, the two ascended to the had occurred, and she apprehensively in-

any new disaster befallen us, that you look the children, but as the two mounted the "I have seen my father, and he is dead,"

up with something like hope kindling in | fore them to the next. Herbert shuddered as that appalling cene arose before kim; he gloomily replied:

his death. He would not relate to her all the particu-

For many hours Herbert could not sleep, for the same weird consciousness of a presence that was strange and inimical to him

before slumber had fallen on him. After breakfasting with his family he had not spoken for years, for the father children of the same mether; but he was ince more be clasped together. George ately, and after conversing a short time he informed him that, both from his sister and himself, the dead man had exacted a olemn promise that they would never seek evade his will in any manner so as to af-

ord him any assistance. "The property is large," he added, "but is tied up in such a manner that if either Catherine or I should seek to aid you in an effectual manner, it must at once be

discovered, and it goes to those who would lose no time in prosecuting their claims.' William asked to see his sister, but she was too ill from the agitation and excitement of the previous evening to receive him. He learned that the funeral would take place on the second day from that, buried alive, and he requested that his

body should be kept until the third day. The evening of the burial was cold, gloomy and depressing. Herbert walked self-absorbed, and slightly excited. When any one addressed him he started, looked wildly around, and a thrilling shudder would vibrate through his frame. Those who closely observed him thought he was remembered the entreaties of his friend the story of the last awful interview between the father and son was whispered

among them. The two brothers stood side by side at "I must see him, Phillis, let the result | the head of the grave, and when the coffin was lowered the elder one was observed to lean over and peer into it with an expression that seemed to indicate an intense fear that the dead might again arise to mock him. He evidently listened eagerly when earth into the full grave, he suddenly jumped upon it, and aided in stamping it down, while he muttered : Bury him deep-fasten him in, so he

can not come back to torment me as he threatened I' Scandalized at such conduct his friends endeavored to draw him away, but with a ghastly smile he resisted them, as he said: "I tell you I must see that he is well buried, for he has been with me ever since the breath left his body. I cannot see him,

me. Oh, men I pack down the clods well been some diversity of opinion as to the -pack them-pack them till they are as best time to cut wheat, judging from the hard as the heart that rosts beneath them." "Poor fellow, he is mad. He must be ally cut when dead ripe, or at least when taken care of !" was said by many; but the grain has become hard. This is no Herbert quietly replied :

by a demon into whom the spirit of my remembered that wheat is composed of father has passed." spirit would be badly treated by having the flour stick together in the hands of the hardness and meanness of the deceased im-posed upon him, and the deepest sympa-there is the greatest quantity of gluten in thy was felt for the unfortunate son who the gram just when the straw is yellow

that his daughter-in-law elect not only thing, and the little he could earn by his | "You! you! how dare you approach the hearth. The two had sunk into moody me? Hence! I say; hence! before I spurn silence, when suddenly Herbert started

> "What-what was that, Mary ?" His daughter clasped her arms around him and withheld him; but he shook her tled me so that I am all unmerved." "No-I can see nothing either, but I hear-oh, I hear deep, agonizing breathing close to my ear. It is as if a weight is pressing upon the breast of a suffocating man, and a giant hand seems to clutch my feet. Oh, my God ! what can this be ?" His wife arose pallid and trembling, for she too heard the sounds he described,

> > sure upon her feet. In a voice strained with agony, Herbert said: "You refused to believe me, Mary, when I told you that the old man haunted me:

though she did not feel the numbing pres-

now you hear for yourself-hark !" This exclamation was caused by a crash which came from the next room. It seemed as if some heavy article of furniture had fallen and broken in pieces. This was followed by an uproar which sounded as if the fragments were endued with life, and were carrying on a brisk warfare against

The children were in that apartment, and the mother seized the candle and rushed to see what had happened. The room light streamed into the apartment the noise shifted to the attic ; by this time Herbert had recovered sufficient self-control to follow his wife. They quieted the fears of the children, as well as they could, and when upper rooms and examined them.

The strange noise had partially died "Where have you been, William? Has away while they were soothing the fears of staircase they again commenced; every nook was examined, but as they entered he briefly responded. Mrs. Herbert started one room the sounds invariably flitted be-

In this terrible watch passed the greater "And he forgave you? He could not die portion of the night, and when they retired with bitter feeling against his eldest born." a perfect chorus of raps was kept up around the bed;

The horror of those hours left their im-Hope for nothing for us, Mary, for an press forever upon the unhappy man. He vil spell is upon us, and we may never es- arose with bair partially blanched, and an cape from the miserable doom of poverty | expression of bewildered anguish upon his and suffering. The old man was inexor- features which never again left them. It able, and my presence only exasperated was many years before spiritualism came him into an excess of fury that hastened in vogue, and although hundreds beard The common opinion was that the miser lars of the scene through which he had had indeed sold himself to the Evil One just passed, for he knew they would only for the power to torment his unhappy son. uselessly distress her, and, after a long and It is an established fact that William hopeless communion over their dismal pros- | Herbert never remained three nights in any house without having, on the third one,

the same inferno enacted beneath its roof. Many years after his father's death the writer saw him in a Western city, whither made itself felt, though it was invisible. he had come at the invita io of his broth-He attributed this to the excited state of er, on his way to take po-session of a farm his own nerves, and made every effort to | belonging to the wife of the latter which galm himself... After long effort he slept, had been aftered him as an asylum for his and in his sleep that awful death scene was | premature old, age. His wife was with enacted again and again. When he awoke him, a pale, emaciated woman, who looked he felt even more jaded and worn out than as if a weight of sorrow brooded ever upon

her heart. Before they came to C- Mrs. Geo. went out and sought his brother. They Herbert stipulated that they should not remain to her house over the third right, had stood as an iron barrier between the but William unfortunately was attacked with illness, and two weeks clapsed before gone now, and the fraternal hands might he was sufficiently recovered to proceed to his new home. The usual consequences Herbert received him gravely but affection- followed, and for eighteen months it was

impossible to sleep in peace in their house. The noises gradually subsided, but the evil spirit seemed to be omnipresent; for while they still made night terrible there, letters were received from the new home saying that even to the secluded spot they had sought the mysterious sounds had followed them, and to his dying hour William Herbert was haunted by the spirit of his

AN AGRICULTURAL CURIOSITY .- Mr. Andrew Holzworth, a resident of Petersburg. Lancaster county, has an agricultural curiosity in the shape of a head of wheat which he calls "Seven Headed Egyptian Wheat." It looks like a clump of wheat for the miser had a lively horror of being heads, one of which is longer than the others, and around which is a long stiff beard. The head contains about 150 grains, which are more plump than our ordinary field wheat, but not so long. It presents a curious appearance, being totally unlike any of our native cereals .--The history of this specimen is even more remarkable than its, appearance, Five years ago, a traveler in Egypt found in a stone coffin, which had been broken open, a few grains of wheat, encoffined probably centuries before, with the embalmed body. Some of these he sent to a friend in Germany, who in turn sent some of their product to an old couple living near Fort Wayne, Indiana. They planted them out, and almost the entire crop was desroyed by cattle. A few heads were saved and one of those containing 130 grains was secured by Addison Holtzworth, son of Mr. Andrew Holtzworth. The former sent them to his father, who planted them nd raized about two quarts. These he danted, and has now in head a patch about thirty feet square, from which he expects to gather nearly three bushels of wheat. Persons who have seen the wheat inform us that it is very beautiful and curious to behold. Mr. H. assures us that he has raised 16 heads from a single grain and expects next year to raise three acres from his crop of this year. It weighs full

WHEN WHEAT SHOULD BE CUL.-The but I can feel his presence, and it suffocates Germantown Telegraph says there has common practice of farmers. doubt an error, and one of more impor-"No, I am not mad ; I am only haunted tauen than many suppose. It should gluten, starch and bran. Gluten is the Many present thought that even an evil nourishing quality of grain; makes the thy was felt for the third they drew him two or three joints from the ground, the away, and conducted him to his humble head turns downward, and you can mash home; on the way he conversed rationally a grain between your thumb and finger The lips of the dying man moved, but enough, and they left him in the hope that without producing any milk. It may

60 pounds to the bushel.