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NOTICE is hereby given that I did on the 20th day of December, 1874, buy at Constable's sale the following personal property belonging to Jacon Watts, to wit: I set bench ING and SPOUTING made to order lanes and all his carpenter tools, I tool chest, planes and all his carpenter tools, I tool chest, I cook stove and utensils I corner cupboard, 2 tables, I doughtray, I sewing machine, 2 bedsteads and bedding, I cradle, I heating stove, I bureau, I clock, I rocking chair, I stand 5 crocks, and 20 yards of carpet—all which I purpose leaving with the said Jacob White, at Nicktown, in Barr township, during my pleasure, and bereby caution all persons against interfaces with the same AM TANNERY FOR SALE. persons against interfering with the same.

Jan. 15, 1875.-3t. * MICHAEL KIRSCH. lowing is a description of a Steam

most liberal terms: The property consists res of tand, on which is erected a TWO BUILDING, 40 by 50, and a ONE STORY MG, 20 by 80, 18 Vais, 6 Leaches, 1 large lank, 2 Limes, 1 Handler, 2 Bates, 1 good of 10 horse power, 1 Hark Mill, 1 Machine in gleather and other fixtures. SPLENDID TOWN PROPERTY FOR SALE .- A very elegant and commodious residence in Ebensburg berough will be sold on reasonable terms. The House is brick and contains 12 rooms, 8 feet halls and basement washouse, besides a good cellar divided into two apart ients. The Lot is 125x264 feet and is well set as a capacity for tanning 5,0 0 hides per iss advantages in the way of low prices with all kinds of fruits and shrubbery. Large Sta-ble, Ice House and three Buildings used as law offices. This property is desirable for a large fami-ly, or with very little improvement would make a first class hotel or summer boarding house. JNO. E. SCANLAN, Agent. avenience to railroad and market, etc.

Ebensburg, Aug. 21, 1874.-1f. EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of JOHN O'CONNELL, dec'd. Estate of John O'Connell, dec'd.
Letters testamentary on the estate of John O'Conneil, inte of Cambria township. Cambria county, Pean'a, deceased, have been issued to the undersigned, residing in said township, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay, Jan.15.-3t.* WM. O'CONNELL, Executor.

I new forms of Leaner. Notices to Om m prepared to make rents sesure. Git land you will find my terms reasonable 50. W. OATMAN, Real Estate Agent, barg, Dec. 25, 18:4-11. A DMINISTRATION NOTICE,—
tate of Bernand Mullin, late of Summerhill
township, Cambria county, having been issued to
the undersigned, notice is hereby given that all
debts due to said estate must be paid forthwith,
and all claims against the same should be presented duly authenticated for certifement.

Dec. 25.-51. FRANCIS MULLIN, Adm'r. ICE.—An application will be ade on the 9th of February next for reportation of "St. Peters's Beservolent portation of "St. Peters's Beservolent of Hemlock. The objects of the Society sutual encouragement of the members in lice of the duties of religion, mutual imit, and analagous purposes. [1.15.-3t.]

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SHERIIF'S SALES.—By virtue of sundry writs of Vend. Expon. and Al Vond, Expon., issued, ut of Court of Common Pleas of Cambria County and to me directed, there will be exposed to Public Sale, at the Court House in Ebensburg, on Tussday, The

ALL the right title and interest of Wm. Griffith mers, and others, containing 50 acres, more or le about 10 acres of which are cleared, having the rame stable, water saw mill, and shook snop, now a the occupancy of Wm. Griffith. Taken in exe-ation and to be sold at the suit of G. W. Reed &

Arso, all the right, title and interest of Jol onk, of, in and to a piece or purcel of land situal Juckson township. Cambria county, Pa., adjoin glands of Samuel Paul, Daniel Paul, and Joh unmyer, containing 40 acres, more or less, about acres cleared, having there on creeded a two stor Taken in execution and to be sold at the suit of the Johnstown Mechanical Works.

Also, all the right, title and interest of Theodore M. Apple, of, in and to a piece or parcel of land situate in White township, Cambria county, Pa., adjoining lands of Gilligan Hollen, B. F. Bell, Lee Lieb Theory and others conditioned 1057. Hon, John Dean, and others, containing 1057 acres more or less, about 67 acres cleared, having there on erected a two story frame house, frame slable

and two log cabins, now in the occupancy of T. M. Apple, and a two story plank honse and water say mill, in the occupancy of A. D. Flansgan. Taker in execution and to be sold at the suit of Josep Van Ormer.
Also, all the right, title and interest of Mr Also, all the right, title and interest of Mrs. Anna Murphy, now interinarried with James McCartney, of, in and to two lots of ground situate at Lilly's station. Washington township, Cambria county, Pa., fronting on the Pa, R. R. and adjoining bets of Susan Hage, David Wilhelm, and stephed Robine, having thereon erected a two story plank house, now in the occupancy of Mrs. McArtney, and a two story plank house, now in the occupancy of James Brawley. Taken in execution and to be sold at the suit of Thos. R. Kerr. Also, all the right, title and interest of Isaac

ention and to be sold at the suit of Thos. R. Kerr. Also, all the right, title and interest of Isane Burket, of, in and to a lot of ground situate in Washington township, Cambria county, Pa., adjoining lamis of Martin & Co., having thereon erected a two story plank house, now in the occupancy of Isane Burket. Taken in execution and to be sold at the suit of Samuel Fenner.

Alse, all the right, title and interest of George W. Adams, of, in and to a lot of ground situate in Washington towaship, Cambria county, Pa., adjoining lands of Martin & Co., having thereon erected a one-and-a-half story plank house, now in the occupancy of George W. Adams. Taken in execution and to be sold at the suit of Samuel Fienner.

THAMS OF SALE .- One third the purch se mor ey to be paid when the property is knocked down, and the remaining two-thirds on confirmation of the Deed. HERMAN BAUMER, Sheriff. Sheriff's Office, Ebensburg, Jan. 18, 1875.

SHERIFF'S SALES.—By virtue of sundry writs of Fend. Expon., issued out of the District Court of Common Pleus of Cambria county and to me directed, there will be exposed to Public S. le, at the Opera House, Johnstown, on Tuesday, 16 The Day of Figurary next, at I o'clock, P. M., the following Real

ALL the right, title and interest of Thomas A Fourth-Ward of Johnstown, Cambria county, Pa., fronting on Bedford street on the north, and ad-juding lot of John Carroll on the east and lot of George Carroll on the west and the Feeder on the south, having thereon erected a two story plank ken in execution and to be sold at the suit of William Young nouse, now in the occupancy of Daniel She

liam Young.

Also, all the right, title and interest of Daniel Fulton, of, in and to a lot of ground situate in the Borough of Conemaugh, Cambria county, Pa., fronting on Locust street, and adjoining lot of Charles Litzinger on the one side and lot of Frederick Ritweiger on the other side, and extending back to the Frankstown road, having thereon creeted a two story plank house and a plank stable, now in the occupancy of David Futton. Taken in execution and to be sold at the suit of Geo.

Maben, TERMS OF SALE,—One-third of the purchase money to be paid when the property is knocked down, and the remaining two-thirds at the confirmation of the Deed.

HERMAN BAUMER, Sheriff,
Sheriff's Office, Johnstown, Jan. 18, 1873.

S. MARSHAL'S OFFICE,

WESTERN DISTRICT OF PENN'A Pattsburger, Jan. 15, 1875.
This is to give notice that on the 14th day of Jan. uary, A. D. 1875, a Warrant in Bankrupley was issued against the estate of Geonge J. Thomas, of Johnstown, in the County of Cambria and State of Pennsylvania, who has been adjudged a Bank rupt on his own petition; that the payment of any rupt on his own petition; that the payment of any debts and delivery of any property belonging to him or for his use, and the transfer of any proper-ty by him are forbidden by law; that a meeting of the Creditors of the said Bankrupt, to proce their debts, and to choose one or more Assignee of his Estate, will be holden at the District Cour House, Johnstown, Pa., before JOHN BROTHER LINE, Fisq., Register, on the 19th day of February, A. D. 1875, at 11 o'clock, A. M. JOHN HALL, [1-22,-21.] U. S. Marshal, as Messenger.

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Pittsburgh, Pa. [1-15.-2m.] J. GALLITZIN LAKE, ATTORNEY AT LAW, Ebensburg, Pa. Office with Register and Recorder, in Court House.

CURIOSITIES OF CRIME.

EBENSBURG, PA., FRIDAY, JANUARY 29, 1875.

HOW A MURDERER WAS ACQUITTED BY WRONG ALMANAC.

The career of Abraham Lincoln as criminal lawyer furnishes more than one erally considered of sufficient value in be introduced into this collection of the curiosities of criminal jurisprudence. For many years he was leading counsel in almost every noted criminal case in the State of Illinois, and his cloquence in pleading, his keenness in retort, and seaching examina- liver it to Mr. Lincoln when wanted. tion of the witnesses, were famous throughamong the possibilities of his future.

One of his most decided triumphs was by the bar of Beardstown. won in the case of Wm. D. Armstrong, who was tried at Beardstown, Cass county, Ill., in 1858, charged with the crime of murder.

In Lincoln's early days, when he was a poor, homeless, almost friendless boy, he formed the acquaintance of a family named Armstrong, John, his wife Hannah, and a to be. Their generosity had never been babe a few months old, to whom Lincoln, forgotton, and now that befriended boy by permission, gave the name of Wm. D., stood before them to plead for the life of in honor of one of his best loved friends. his benefactor's son-the babe that he had who had died a few months before.

The Armstrongs were hospitable and tioned innocence. He drew a touching kind, almost filling the place of parents to picture of the widowed mother following their guest, and he in time grew very fond with a trembling, bleeding heart every step of the child, which he rocked, carried, pet- in the terrible inquisition, bending her ear ted and fondied, day after day, for weeks to every word, and watching with inexand months, while he was waiting for em- pressible anxiety and dread the faces of

Lincoln, and he gand mills drifted away from in the cold, hard lines which might somethe port of generous welgonic into the wide times cross the features of the perplaxed busy world, and for a time his charles were and patient men who he d the issues of lost sight of, but never forgotten.

advocate and a politician, and these numble or fill to the being the measure of her joy. although a brave, generous youth, the posterous, if not impossible. crude pioneer civilization under which he primitive society in which he was trained.

In the summer of 1857 there was a Methtended by not a few of the riotous element, moon being very bright, nearly at the full ted which filled the decent portion of the community with indignation. A patrol which was one night attacked by the riot- to show that on the day and at the hour ers, and a leading citizen named Mitzar most brutally murdered.

James D. Norris and William D. Armstrong were indicted for the crime. Sepfirst on the docket. He was speedily convicted and seutenced to a long term in the State Penitentiary. The feeling against Armstrong was very bitter, and his counsel was persuaded to take a change of venue Beardstown in 1858.

Hannah Armstrong, the mother of the She was oppressed by poverty, deserted by old friends, and now a shameful death or a lingering imprisonment threatened her is yet to be told. Some days after the acson. In this emergency she bethought herself of the poor youth to whom she had once given a home, and who had so often played with the boy that now stood in such imminent peril.

For many years Mr. Lincoln had been Armstrong became possessed of the idea that if he would but undertake her sou's case he would be saved.

She therefore wrote to him at Springfield begging his assistance. Though pressed by clients on every side, Mr. Lincoln immediately responded that the memories of past in question until too late. kindnesses were yet green, and their obligation sacred, and Providence permitting he would undertake the defense of her son, if he didn't try another case that season.

Upon examination he found the case to be a most desperate one. A jury had already passed upon an alleged accomplice, and rendered a verdict of guilty. The same evidence would have to be confronted in the coming trial, and only by a miracle could a similar result be avoided. The only hope was to blot out the record of the previous trial, refute the senses of witnesses and cause the jury to forget both their daty and their oaths.

At length the day of trial arrived, and the prosecution brought forward their array of witnesses. As one after another came upon the stand and gave their evidence, they were subjected to a rigid cross examination, but without any very satisfactory results. The testimony seemed conclusive, and every word fell like the dreaded knell

When the prosecution had finished their case, it appeared that only one witness had directly connected the accused with the crime. He swore that he saw the affray, that Norris pounded the deceased with a club from behind, while Armstrong assailed him in front with a slung-shot, and the doctors testified that the wounds inflicted SEEDS, GRAIN, FLOUR, &C., &C., by either would have produced death. He explained that he was enabled to see so distinctly, owing to the light of the moon, which was nearly at its full, and at the time of the occurrence, eleven o'clock, standing in the heavens about where the sun would

be at ten o'clock in the morning.

It occurred to Mr. Lincoln to test the truth of this statement by the almanac. Turning to the clerk, he requested that one be handed to him, but it was not readily found. Old almanacs are not geninstance which might with great propriety court of justice to call for their preservation, so one was not to be obtained until a messenger had visited a neighboring stationery and book establishment, when the volume was obtained and handed to the clerk of the court, with instructions to de-

In due time Mr. Lincoln rose to make out the West long before either he or his the closing argument for the defense. It friends began to dream of the presidency as is said by those who listened to the address. that the like of it was never before heard

He began by describing his early struggles with poverty, how he had been friendless, homeless wanderer, until the parents of the accused opened to him their door, and henceforth had been to him all that father and mother could ever expect fondled so often in the days of his unquesthe jury-now seeing a ray of hope in the At length a new life opened to young softened expression, or despair and death We and death, and could send her from He studied law, became fareous as an that room after as nonces a 2nd childless.

but warm and tried friends watched with | Having warmed up with this exordium, pleasure and pride every step of his progress he took up the theory of the prosecution, up the ladder of fame. The babe he had and with some logic, much sophistry and so fondly cared for grew to manhood, and unstinted ridicule, he made it appear pre-

The testimony was then attacked. Each grew up unfortunately developed a love for individual statement analyzed, discrepenthe excitements of the cup, and a taste for cies pointed out, and inconsistencies exthe rougher sports peculiar to the somewhat posed, and the fact clearly brought out that but one witness had sworn to having seen the prisoner commit the assault-at odist camp meeting in Mason county, at- eleven o'clock at night of a certain day the and every night some outrage was commit- and about as high in the heavens as the sun is at ten o'clock in the morning.

Mr. Lincoln then called upon the clerk was organized for the preservation of order, for the almanac, opened it and proceeded mentioned there was no moon at all, it having set at nine o'clock-two hours before the affray took place.

The result of this exposure was like the erate trials were demanded, and Norris was bursting of a bomb-hell. The masterly eloquence of the plea had already enlisted their sympathies, and the jury had already been seeking some pretext for an acquittal, when this exposure of the boldest perjury filled the court, judge and jury with to Cass county, and the trial came on at indignation, demoralized the prosecution, incensed the spectators, and in the tumult and excitement the case was abruptly closed accused, was in great distress. Her bus- a verdict of "not guilty" almost justantly band, Jack, had been dead for some years. rendered, and the prisoner walked out of

the dock a free man. But the most curious part of this story quittal it was discovered that the almanac which had been giver to Mr. Lincoln to read from was not for the year of the murder at all. It was further shown that at the time meutioned by the witness, the moon was in substantially the position he known as a most successful lawyer and Mrs. described; but the mischief had been done, and the verdict could not be recalled.

> How the almanac came to be handed to Mr. Lincoln has never been satisfactorially explained. That it was accidental, there is no doubt, and in the excitement no one thought to call the accuracy of the volume

puts the "Old Mother Hubbard" story :

The aged and venerable maternal reprefrom an ancestral progenitor known in his time by the patronymic appellation of Hubbard (perhaps from his having been

Wended her way to the small apartment ordinarily devoted to the storage of creckery, and such portions of the family provisions as were left unused at the pran-

To obtain for the gratification of her favorite but emaciated specimen of the genus canis, a fragment of an osseous nature once composing an integral portion of the skeleton of an animal (whether bovine, porcine, or otherwise, the parrater was not able to netermine satisfactorily, from which she had reason to believe her petted quadruped would ailment. hen by continuous progressive motion

she had arrived at the end of her brief journey and in fact had reached the objective point, and the goal of her desire Her fond anticipations were not realized. and her calculations came to naught; for the family receptacle, before alluded to, prove to be entirely denuded of everything in the way of that sustenance which tends to prolong life when received within and assimilated by the animal erganism.

Consequently this indignant and long suffering member of the high class of vertebrata called mammals, but familiarly known as the "poor dog," failed on this occasion to obtain anything to appease his unsated and voracious appetite which we have reason to believe had previously been whetted by the anticipation of house of his supplies.

THE CROW.

The crows had kept up a racket since dawn. Trees and palmetto scrub were black with them. They alighted in camp within 10 feet of us, and stole the provisions the instant our backs were turned. Incessantly did they scold us. It was plain that they were anxious for us to break camp so that they might pick up what was left. "Talk about crows," said Moore, while

puffing his morning pipe, 'they're the most knowing bird in Florida. Yes, sir, their intelligence is ahead of the nigger. They tell a nigger from a white man a mile off, and they know a shot-gun from a rifle. They know that they are of no account. Nobody hankers after crow meat, and no ventures of a certain Miss Minnie Warner, hunter wastes powder and shot on them. a very beautiful orphan just turned eigh-Why, I've been hunting and had the crows "teen, who had been suddenly transplanted follow me and point out the game. They from her father's farm in the bosom of were willing to take their share of the work, the New England hills to the home of a too, and were satisfied with the leavings. wealthy aunt in a small village, when she If a man only knows how to take him, a immediately became metamorphosed into crow is just as good as a dog. When I've a highly accomplished young lady with been jumping a bear or a deer. I've had the "patrician" manners, not withstanding that crows light on trees above 'em and sing out; she had hitherto spent her time milking Here he is, old man, down below here ! the cows and feeding the pigs on her fath-Go for him !" And if I shot and missed er's farm, and had no advantages of educathose crows would actually get disgusted, tion excepting those she received at a disand I could hear them talking to one anoth- trict school. er and saying, 'Oh, he's an old hombre-he From the hour of her arrival at her don't know how to shoot.' But if I brought aunt's abode Miss Warner was beseiged down the game, they'd scream and bounce by crowds of suitors, all of whom were from the trees and sail in for their divvy. faultlessly handsome immensely wealthy

"But the greatest case of sagacity in a and in every way unexceptionable. ably bean of with gray that had drifted; the beauteous Minnie. ashere. There were thousands of crows on A young carpenter, with one down violate hand a picking up the entrails and a scoop- eye, (the other having been paneled out ing out the shells. They were so noisy with a gimlet,) passed the house of her that we had to holler to understand one aunt every day with a paper cap on his another. You never seen such a raft of ample brow, and a cross-cut saw in his wellcrows. They were pretty shy along in the formed hand. This young man, who re beginning, but kept getting bolder and bold- joiced in the poetical name of "Wilhelm," er, and by and by they walked, right up to had become master of her affections by the mahogany beam, and stole the choice daily easting a sheep's eye at her bed room steaks that we were saving for ourselves. | window, though she carefully gnarded her Well, when Crowell seen that, he began to secret from her aunt, who, by the way, was get mad. He swore he couldn't stand it, a terrible old grind, who starved and samband he hanled up and gave the crows two | bed her most unmercifully. have been blacker. You see, this was in hand of the fair Minnie in marriage, the morning. Well, for several hours the crows were mighty shy again, but along in the afternoon they took their chances once more and were around thicker than ever. They fought among themselves for the

enough to know what the shooting was for. "Well, among the flock we noticed a with one leg gone. He was a hard sight. When we first saw him his wing was a dropping, and he was a limping along and a skirmishing around for something to eat, with the rest of them. We felt sorry for him. If you'd seen him you couldn't help but feel sorry for him too. You see, the other crows didn't give him a living show. He would have starved to death if we hadn't sympathized with bim, and seen that he got his share. We fed him the nicest chunks of turtle, and he got so tame that he'd limp up within two or three feet. and almost eat out of our hands. We used had lost his leg.

steaks a wide berth. They were smart

"Well," continued Moore, "for some him. One day we missed him. Crowell struck a poetic attitude. felt mighty bad. 'Poor Santa Anna,' says he, 'couldn't roost any place but on the ground. Some snake has got him, and dered, shaking his fist at the old aunt, who This is the way the Boston Advertiser that's the last of him.' You see the bird immediately disappeared behind the had got to be a great favorite. I felt as bad clothes horse. about it as Crowell, and no mistake. Down sentative of a family which descended bere in the wilderness, where you don't to the house of old Keggs, the hollerin' see a white man once a year, a fellow gets mightily attached to a crow when he's soone of the early poets or bards of the cial like and puts confidence in you. Well

him a hundled times. "The next forenoon, while we were them one that very hour. dressing a big turtle, we heard a feeble kind . Years afterwards, when Minnie would of a caw, and Crowell sung out, 'Here's stand at her back kitchen door surrounded Santa Anna again, as sure as you're born!' by innumerable little carpenters and carand sure enough there was the little black penteresses, and watch her former suitors cuss a hopping along on one foot over the with their wives and children rolling past sand. He cocked his head on one side, and in their carriages, she would remark : seemed thundering glad to see us. We were hypercane. We picked out the rich- ings." est part of the turtle and fed him. Well, good Lord, you'd ought to have seen that violet eye (now changed to a light, catslike crow eat. He stuffed himself so full that | gray, and respond : he couldn't holler. You could see him swell out like a rubber ball. The other crows stood off about 20 feet watching him. The little hombre got all he wanted, and then started off. He limped awfully for fireside, with happy children sitting around about 15 feet, and I heard Crowell say it, haven't you?" said the Judge. "Yes, Poor little devil! I'm afraid be'll never get sir," said Mr. Thompson, who thought be well.' Just then the crow stopped, and saw a way out of the difficulty. "Well." kind a shook up his wing. Then, as I'm alive and a sinner, he dropped another little black foot, and walked off on two legs as have to send you up for that time." the favorable result of the visit of his sound as a dollar. The other crows set up friend and protector to the usual store- a mighty cawing, and all of them flew away together."

"Well," inquired Hammond, "how did

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he get his leg fixed?" "It wasn't Santa Anna at all," Moore replied. "Some other crow had played Sauta Anna on us. Our crow had been eaten up by a 'possum. We found the feathers afterward. And," continued Moore, turning to me, "you won't believe me, but that story's just as true as the Gospel-every word

[Frote the Firestde Friend.] Twice Told Tales Told Over Again.

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CHAPTER I. This story is relative to the life and ad-

erow that I ever saw," continued Moore, Weeks passed away, and her heart re-"was on the ocean beach, just across the mained untouched. When we say unlower end of the lake. Last year me and a bouched, we mean untouched by those who follow named Crowell were down there beseiged it, for there was one who had catching turtle. We could to cisen 'cor on sunde a lasting impr. sion on the heart of

barrels of duck-shot. He had in a thun- Suddenly a dark-eyed stranger, whom derin' charge-a pailful of shot in each the anut accidently discovered to be a barrel. You never see such a sight. If it millionaire from New York, appeared on had been raining grows the beach couldn't the scene and immediately solicited the

CHAPTER II.

The sun was sinking like a ripe pumpkin behind the clouds which were rolling over the sky like feather beds of a dark gray shells and the entrails, but they gave the color, and a terrible scene was being enacted in the aunt's back kitchen.

"Accept the dark-eved stranger, or leave this house this night; I will no longer snub lame crow, with a sickly kind of a caw. He and starve you, and dress you up in cast had come out from under Crowell's battery off clothes !" bowled the aunt in a menac-

"O Wilhelm, my beloved, where art thou?" screamed Minnie, tearing off her back hair and tramping on it. The click of the garden gate here caused her heart to stand still, and the pext moment Wilhelm presented himself at the kitchen door. "Minnie, my own, what is the matter?"

he exclaimed, in a clear ringing voice which went straight to her beart.

"My aunt would make me wed the darkeyed stranger, when I love none but then !" exclaimed Minnie, who had changed her mind about her back hair, which she was to call him Santa Anna, because you see he now entwining about her queenly head, after the manner of a coronet. A storm was brewing in Wilhelm's solitary orb. He time Santa Anna turned up regularly for laid down his cross-cut saw, shook the his rations. He seemed to be growing sawdust off the wrinkles in his pants, onlied weak in spite of all the building up we gave his paper cap down over his ears, and

"Mrs., whatever your name is, absquatulate! Vamoose this instant!" be thun-

"Minnie, my own, let us instantly repair Methodist preacher, and be made one," he continued in a softened voice.

Whereupon Minnie fell into his arms in all that day the crows kept a coming in and a dead faint. Putting his hand into his ripping away at the lights and livers, but pocket, he pulled out a handful of shavpoor Santa never turned up. I reckon if ings, which he stuffed down her throat, we talked about him once we talked about and which of course instantly revived her. They were married. Old Keggs made

"Well, Wilhelm, we have plenty of shav-And Wilhelm would screw up his deep

"Yes, ole gal, plenty o'shavin's."

THE END.

"You have a pleasant home and a bright said the Judge, "if the happy children sit around the cheerful fire until you return. they will stay there just 43 days, as I shall

BRIGHAM YOUNG has sufficiently recovered to sit up and be married occasionally.