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BY virtue of sundry writs of Fi. Fa., Vend. the Court of Common Pleas of Cambria conn y and to me directed, there will be exposed to public sale, at the Court House in EBENSBURG, on MONDAY, March 5th, 1877, at I O'OCLCK, P. M., the following real estate.

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The and interest of John Ments and interest of Archibald Farrell, of. in and to a rice or parcel of land situate in Susquehama township. Cambria county, Pa., adjoining lands of Joseph Bearer, jr. Philip Gray, and others containing 139 acres, more or less, about 45 acres of which are cleared, having thereon erected a two story plank house and a log barri, in the occupancy of Archibald Farrell, and a one story plank house a log stable, now in the occupancy of Mary Ann Peach. Taken in execution and to be sold at the suit of Daniel Fry.

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Also, all the right, title and interest of J. W. Gray, of, in and to a piece or parcel of land situate in White township, Cambria county, Pa., adjoining lands of D. H. Donley, Chas. H. Ranstead, J. H. Fiske, and others, containing about 5 across, all cleared, having thereon erected a two story plank house and frame stable now in the occupancy of J. W. Gray. Also, about 5 across of land in White township, all cleared, adjoining lands of Charles Ranstead, naving thereon erected a two story plank house and frame stable, now in the occupancy of a rs. Hollen, Also, one-half interest in a steam shingle mill, now in the occupancy of the continuation of Ioonoughus & Cummings, Taken in execution and to be said at the suit of J. H. Fishe & Co.

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occupancy of \_\_\_\_\_\_. Taken in execution and to be sold at the suit of C. Lahey, for use Atso all the right, title and interest of John Sharbaugh, of in and to a lot of ground's funte in Summisville be ough, Cambria county Pa. fronting on the Cambria, Indiana and Hunringdon Turnpike and extending back 200 feet to an alley, on the east by fot or Mrs. Schmeeder, on the west by an alley and lot of Paul McKenna, having thereon erected atwos ory L plank house, but now occupied. Abo, three aeres of land, more or less, about one aere cleared, bounded on the cast by C. Reich, Paul McKenna on the west, and running of perches to old Portage Rall Road and having thereon erected a plank stable. Ta en in execution and to be sold at the suit of John

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Also, all the right, title and interest of Daniel Burke, of, in and to a piece or parcel of land situate in Gallitzin township, Cambria county, Pa. containing 134 acres, more or less about one acre cleared, adjoining lands of Lewis Becher on the west and Agnes lurke on the east and south, now in the occupancy of Daniel Burke. Taken in ex-cention and to be sold at the suit of John E. Scanlan executor of M. M. Adams, dec'd. Also, all the right, tit e and interest of James 

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TREES OF SALE -One-third of the purchase money to be not! when the property is knocked down, and the remaining two thirds upon con-firmation of the Deed.

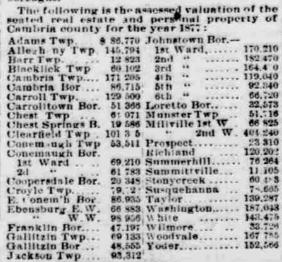
JOHN RYAN, Sheriff. Shoriff's Office, Ebensburg, Feb. 11, 1877.

NOTICE OF APPEALS. - We, the andersigned Commissioners of Cambria county, have fixed the following days for

hearing appeals for 1877, at our office in Ebens Barr, Biacklick, Ca roll and Chest townships, Tuesbay, Feb. 27th.—Clearfield, Conemaugh, Carroll Gallitzin, Jackson, Richiand, Summerhiil

and Susquehanna townships.
WEDNESDAY, FRB. 28th.-Stonycreek, Taylor, Washington, White and Yoder townships and the six wards of Johnstown borough. THURSDAY, MARCH ISL.—Cambria Carrolltown.

Chest Springs, Conemaugh, Coopersdale, Gaillis-in Loretto and villville boroughs. FRIDAY, MAR 24.—Cambria and Munster town-stips and Ebensburg, East Conemaugh, Franklin, Prospect, Summitville, Wilmore and Woodvale boroughs.



## JOHN CAMPBELL, REES S LLOYD, Commissioners. J. D. PARRISH, Attest-J. A. KENNEDY, Clerk.

NOTICE IN PARTITION.
To Catharine Yeks, formerly Catharine Fo Catharine Yeks, formerly Catharine Reese, of Clarion county, Pennsylvanis, one of the heirstof Eleanor Reese, formerly Eleanor Roberts, deceased, John Roberts, of Blafr county, David Roberts, of the State of Iowa. Robert Roberts of the State of Ohio, Edward Roberts and William Roberts, of the State of California, and Margaret Roberts, of Pittsburg. Ps., heirs of Jane Roberts, intermarriod with Evan Roberts, deceased, the heirs and legal representatives of Robert J. Roberts, deceased: Take notice that an Inquest will be heid at the residence of the late Robert J. Roberts of Cambria township. Cambria county, dec'd. be held at the residence of the late Robert J. Roberts, of Cambria township. Cambria county, dee'd, on Satuaday, the 3st day of March. A. D. 1877, at 10 o'clock in the forence of that day, for the purpose of making a partition of the real estate of said decassed to and among his heirs and legal representatives. If the same can be done without prejudice to or spoiling the whole; otherwise to value and appraise the same—at which time and place you are requested to attend if you think proper.

JOHN RYAN, Sheriff.

Sheriff's Office, Ebensburg, Jan. 24, 1177.—86.

# EBENSBURG, PA., FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1877.

BLANKS AND PRIZES. BY PEPPERCORN.

Like a pilgrim of old, I have roamed to and

Heard maxims both foolish and wise And ever have found midst the high and

the low, There are always two blanks to a prize. A drum in the band always makes the most

sound. And a hypocrite makes the most noise, And in every profession, the whole world around. There are twenty-five blanks to a prize.

With money to spend we have friends by the score, To flatter us, fawn and advise, But how soon we find, if we chance to be

There are seventy-five blanks to a prize. If to settle a grievance to law we resort, What quibles and cavils arise, But one thing is certain, in every court

There are ninety five blanks to a prize. There are other things, too, in a journey through life, Which the dull est may see if he tries, But the risk is the greatest in choosing a wife,

#### There are ninety-nine blanks to a prize. OUR IDOL.

Close the door lightly, Bridle the breath, Our little earth angel Is t lking with death; Gently he woos her,

She wishes to stay, H is arms are around her-He bears her away ! Music comes floating

Down from the Dome Angels are chanting The sweet welcome bome Come, stricken weeper, Come to the bed. Gaze on the sleeper-

Our idol is dead. Smooth out the ringlets, Case the blue eyes-No wonder such beauty Was claimed in the skies; Cross the bands gently

O'er the white breast, So tike a wild spirit Strayed from the rest, Bear her out gently This idol of ours-Let the grave slumbers

#### Be mid the sweet flowers THE TRAMP'S RIDE.

AN ENGINEER'S STORY.

No. Ninety-nine stood puffing and blow ing off steam at the water tank of a little wayside station-a beauty and marvel of brass and iron and steel; strong beyond simile, making play of the bundred coal cars it drew swiftly along, with its eye piercing the darkness as a noonday sun, with its breath of fleecy steam and heart of volcanic fire, and John Lathrop stood with hand upon whistle and throttle, waiting the

signal to go ahead. John Lathrop peered out of the cab window into the biting cold and sleet buildened most starvation prices to which wages had humble home and bright eyed little boy of half a dozen years, who was then dreaming that papa would be home to breakfast and spend the next day, Sunday, with them.

"It's hard to be poor," he said, brushing the icy frost from his heavy beard and moustache, "and it does seem as if the company might be a little more liberal after the way they worked us and piled up stamps during the Centennial, Bat"-

"John, here's a tramp," sung out the fireman from the interior of the water tank. "That's nothing new," was the answer, They were as plenty all summer as blackberries."

"But the poor fellow's half starved and frozen, and begs so hard for a ride." "Ride? Humph! And get sent up for thirty days, if any of the big guns of the

road find it out?" The light from the open furnace doo shone full upon the face of the tramp as he stepped from the desolate icy tank where he had paused to gain something of shelter, even if little of warmth. A rapid sign passed between him and the engineer, and

the latter continued : "Come aboard. I'll take the chances. don't think the conductor will give me away, and mighty clear of the brakemen showing their faces more than they can possibly help such a night as this. Anyhow I'm not going to leave a fellow being to starve and freeze to death for all the railroad companies this side of Canada. -Blessed if I do! Come aboard, old fel-

The tramp obeyed the summons, and his scanty clothing, numbed hands and feet and pinched up features told how sadly he was inneed of food and warmth. The roaring furnace speedily supplied the ore, and the dinner pails of the engineer and fireman the other, though they would sadly miss their

hot coffee. Two shricks of the whistle, a tug at the lever, and Ninety-nine started and shot away with the long train following behind like an immense black serpent over an air line, around curve, through tunnel and across bridge. Then John Lathrop bad more time to more closely scrutinize and talk to his unpaying passenger. The mystic sign that had passed between them told of brotherhood and paved the way to his

thinking well of bim. "You aren't used to tramping and hain't been long at it," said he, laughing quietly at the rapid manner in which the supper of himself and fireman were disappearing.

"Not much, Cully," replied the tramp, pausing with a biscuit in one hand and the half picked leg of turkey in the other.
"Cully?" repeated John, eyeing him still sharply. "you are a showman." "Was, and a few more days like the last

and I could play walking skeleton to perfection," and he glanced up at the engineer with the blackest possible eyes, and a face marked with resolution and bravery. "What business?" queried John Lath-

"Bar and trapeze." He did not appear to have time to spare briefest possible between mouthfuls; and noticing this, his questioner paused until he devoured. had finished his almost wolf like meal and

then resumed. "I used to kick up my beels and strut over the sawdust once myself,"

"Yes, but I gave it up years ago-had a little set to with a tiger and nearly chawed must be carried out without the delay of a

up. And you don't look like you had fared single moment if at all. He swung himmuch better. Here's a pipe-smoke and spin your yarn."

"Well, I did the flying trapeze and all that sort of thing in the Grand Trans-con- stretched his hands still in advance. tinental and ever so many other things cirous. Humbug were a better name as it turned out for us. Yet we might have got didn't appreciate-horses gave out, wagous broke down, the 'premiere equestriene' ran away with 'Bones' of the side show, funds ran low, the great polar bear wanted his ice, became disgusted and turned up his toes, the zebra passed in his checks, and the resuit was we became flat broke and had to leave our baggage and take the tramp home."

"Been there myself," said John, becoming interested. "Then I needn't tell you what sort of a time I have had footing it, stealing tides

and begging something to eat." "Bad enough in summer," growled John. "But now? Talk of the north pole, I thought I should freeze to death in that old tank with the water dripping and freezing around me, and if you hadn't taken care of me, guess I'd have thrown myself under the cars and made an end of the thing. No use

fighting hard times forever." "Cheer up. You are all right now-that is to the end of my run. Then you shall go home with me and recruit a bit, and it will go hard if I can't manage to get you a free ride with some of the boys to the end of the road. It is against all orders, but John Lathrop has a heart in him that won't see any one suffer if be can help it."

His presence attested the truth of his He was tall, broad shouldered and no jealous frown upon his brow. deep chested and his face told of goodness in every feature, and his manner, if bluff, was hearty. In the physical the stranger was his opposite. Yet his frame was strongly knit, and his muscles, trained by severe and long continued exercise until they slood out like whitecords, strictly obeyed his will and were firm as steel, and daring flashed from his black eyes and was

revealed by every line about his mouth. "I don't know," he said, looking at the engineer thankfully, "how I am ever to pay you. My life was certainly saved, and it may be I can do you a good turn some day. If the chance comes you can depend upon my doing it for I am not one to forget a favor."

"I believe it, but don't think of my giving you a ride and a bite. It's no more than any man that wasn't a brute would have done, and who knows but either me or my boy when he grows up may want a lift of "Your boy ?"

"Yes, the brightest, cutest little chap you ever saw. I'll show him to you to morrow. Yes, and my wife too-just the prettiest, dearest little woman that ever walked in a pair of shoes."

No. Ninety-nine was running smoothly and steadily along. It was Sunday morning and there was nothing in the way -not even an up train to pass until John Lathrop would uncouple his iron steed and put him in the great round stable to rest and be cleaned for twenty-four nours. So while air-thinking of the hard winter-the al- the fireman kept his eyes ahead John seated himself and while keeping watch of the been reduced, and, more than all, of his steam guage and his eyes open, told of his early life under canvas, and his present home happiness, and the bright eyed, blithe hearted ones that were waiting there to welcome him.

"The life of an engineer, "he said, "has it's ups and downs the same as any other, and is full of danger, and requires a sharp lookout, a strong hand and quick decision. I know one is never safe, and my lennie often talks of what narrow escapes I've had, and shivers as she thinks how others have been killed running over this very road.'

"Why don't you give it up?" "Well, there's an excitement about it. I like and the pay is certain, although it ain't what it ought to be, for the risks we run and how we ever earry our lives in our bands as one might say" "Keep a sharp lookout, Jack." (To the fireman.) "I remember well running over this very same section on such a night as this, some three years ago, and going smash through the culvert over the Big Stony and breaking things generally. Engine, tender and half a dozen cars were stove and piled up together; my fireman killed, and I was dragged out from under the wreck, pretty bad scalded and used up. But my time hadn't come yet, and I was soon on the road again

"Something on the track. Looks like somebody waving a lantern, but the sleet is so thick I can't rightly make it out,' shouted the freeman.

John Lathrop sprung to his post, made the whistle shriek like an imprisoned and tortured fiend, reversed the engine and whistled on brakes. But his trained eye say that it was no use-that he could not check the headway of the heavy train in time to avert running over the object, be it what it might, for the track was so narrow and walled in by high embankments that escape was impossible. Besides they were upon the something upon the track before they were aware of it having just rounded

"There is my home," gasped John, pointing out into the gloom, 'The Big Stony is just ahead and -Oh, my God ! If the culvert should have given away and my boy have come to give me warming !" "Your home-your boy?" echoed the tramp.

"Great Heaven! yes," and the strong man became unnerved and robbed of all "It is a boy," shouted the fireman, "and may God have mercy on his soul, I believe

it is your John," The pessenger said nothing, but a wild determination flashed from his eyes as he arose, climbed out along the side of the monster engine-a Juggernant immense enough to have crushed hundreds at a time beneath its ponderons wheels, and the midday like sunbeams of the headlight

streamed out and made al! plain to him despite the thick sleet and darkness, He saw (and a shiver other than that produced by cold passed through him) a boy standing directly ahead in the deep cut waving a lantern whose blood red globe

between his tightly set teeth, "and I'll do expressed themselves in speaking of the as much for him if I can. Anyhow I'll candidate's wife. Who says that women try, and I haven't anybody to mourn for have no political influence? me if I do go under.'

His resolution was a desperate one-

self down upon the pilot, twisted his feet within the iron bars, and extended his body as rigid as if carved from oak and

It was a trying situation, one requiring the greatest courage-a position no one unused to feats of strength within the our pay if it had have been a success. But arena could have sustained at all. But he we had a hard time of it. The public did it bravely, and the engine rolled on nearer and nearer and the boy, suddenly becoming aware of his danger and the im possibility of escape, sank down upon the ties and his scream of mortal agony rang out louder than the jarring of the wheels

or the hissing of the steam.

'Papa! papa! save me. Oh, save me!"
Save him? John Lathrop was kneeling on the floor of the cab with his hands raised in prayer, his face white as snow, The fireman had taken his place at the lever throttle and whistle, and the engine plunged with increased speed on a down grade to grind into atoms all that dared oppose its way.

It was upon-over the boy! No, Heaven be praised; the arms of the tramp had grasped, lifted and dragged him upon the pilot and to safety before touched by the fire-breathing monster; and when it paused quivering upon the very brink of the crippled enlyert, John Lathrop was hold ing his brave boy to his heart, hugging him to his breast, and crying over him as a woman.

In the morn of a clear Sabbath No. Ninety-nine rolled into the station, and when John Lathrop told his wife of how their boy had been saved, and she spring to the stranger and kissed him from the impulse of her mother's heart, there was

#### SHAYS' REBELLION.

In these times of wondrous and startling political events, such an eruption might not so deeply stir the nation; but the early morning of national life, when the blood and the treasure of an infant republic had been well nighexhausted-when the sword had just been sheathed upon the retiring of a foreign foe-an armed rebellion against the constituted authority was an event that shook the country from centre to circumference. To many the simple fact of "Shay's rebellion" will be familiar who cannot call to mind the circumstances.

Daniel Shays had held a captain's com mission in the patriot army oming the revolution and had been a brave and gallant soldier. If not a native of Massachusetts, the best part of his life was spent in that State; and in the State of Massachasetts was the rebellion. Shays was not prominent in the first movements of the malcontents, but being of restless disposition and a radical turn of mind, they found in him a prompt and hear'y leader. The rebels were republicans run mad. They complained that the salary of the chief officials, and especially that of the governor, was too high; that the State Schate was tionate; that the taxes were too buildensome to be borne, and that money was unnecessarily scarce. They demanded the issue of paper money sufficient to meet the wants of the suffering people, and that this paper should be made a legal tender; and they also demanded that the general court should be removed from Boston to some place less aristocratic. The general court vas convened and an effort made to allay the discontent of the complainants. With the experience of worthless paper money in mind the law makers would issue no more of it, but they went so far as to pass an act whereby certain arrears of taxes might be

paid in produce. But the recusants would not be satisfied. Bodies of armed men interrupted the sessions of the courts in several counties, and in the month of December, 1786, Shays ap peared, with a large force, at Worcester and at Springfield, and prevented the hold ing of courts at those places. The January tollowing, at the head of full two thousand armed men, he marehed to capture the arsenal at Springfield; but the State militia had gathered in sufficient force to stop them, and under command of Gen. Shepard they gave battle, and put the rebellious bost to atter rout. At the first fire of the State troops the insurgents fled in dismay, leaving three dead and one wounded, of their

number upon the field. On the following day they were pursued by an increased force nuder Gen. Lincoln, and nearly two hundred of them taken prisoners, the remainder escaping northward. The prompt action of the state authorities crushed out the insurrection at once. A free pardon was offered to such as would lay down their arms and return to their allegiance, of which most of them. took advantage. Fourteen of the chief of the conspirators were tried and convicted. and sentenced to death, but afterwards pardoned. Daniel Shays removed to Sparta, N. Y., where he died at an advanced age, September 29, 1825. And that was "Shays' Rebellion," The following anec-dote in connection therewith is worth rela-

Late at night, after the repulse of the insurgents at Ordnauce hill, in their advance upon the arsenal, Shays sent a fing of times to Gen. Shepard, requesting that the bodies of five of his men who had been killed in the late engagement should be sent to him. The officer who met the flag and who presented the case to his commander, returned to the messenger as fol-

"Present General Shepard's compliments to Captain Shays, and inform him that at this time he cannot furnish him with five dead rebels, he having no more than four. and one of those not quite dead; but if Captain Shays will please attack him again, General Shepard will engage to furnish him with as many dead as he shall desire.'

How THIRTEEN VOTES WERE LOST .-A certain candidate has lost thinteen votes through making a rash promise to his wife. He had promised that in the event of his election he would buy her a sealskin cloak and a pair of navy blue stockings, and she couldn't rest till she had told thirteen lady friends all about it. The ladies expressed themselves as "awful glad" to hear it, and shone like an evil eye. Though still at a threatened their husbands with a suit of to make lengthy replies-only uttered the little distance he seemed directly under divorce if they dared to vote for the candifoot and about to be dragged down and date aforesaid. "That old cat would nice in a sealskin cloak and navy blue "He saved my life," muttered the tramp stockings, wouldn't she?" is the way they

The greatest of prayers is patience.

#### THE BRAKEMAN'S STORY.

"Yes, sir," said the brakeman, as he stood by the stove warming his numbed hands, after coming from braking. "Pecple think, as they sit in their warm sents and hear us call out the different stations;

"There are very few brakemen who can't tell never-to-be forgotten incidents connected with their life on the rail. To explain, let me tell you a story from my own experience. I remember one night, it was learfully cold, right in the middle of winter and snowing hard. I was breaking in the middle of a freight train. It was running along on slow time that night, and we were about three miles from the station. I was stand ug by the brake of a flat car, trying to get warm by stamping, wishing that we were at the depot, so that I could go back to the caboose out of the bitter cold, when suddenly I felt the train bumping and jumping like as if a wheel had broken, and I knew something was wrong. The whistie blew for brakes, and in a mighty short

time we had the train stopped. "With the rest of the men I went back to see what was the matter, thinking that I might get a chance at the stove, for I was nearly frozen. Going back three hundred feet, we found one of the rails had got loose and was out of place, but as we had been going slowly, we had run over the and at once disappeared heavenward. A spot safely. Our conductor looked up, and

seeing me said : "Jim, get back and signal the passenger train. She will be along in a short time; 'and take this,' he said, handing me a red

"With that all hands got on board, and soon there was nothing but me and the

lantern left. "A cold gust brought me to myself with a quick turn, and then I remembered what I had to do. Holding the lantern up I saw that the light was flickering, and shakmg it, found it almost empty. Then I began to feel the responsibility of my position; a lamp with no oil in it, the train due in ten minutes with the chances of it being thrown from the track, and no telling how many poor people killed or wounded. In a case of that kind, sir, even a brakeman aristocratic; that the lawyers were extor- Le sometimes loses his own in the attempt will do his best to save human life, although and all he gets for it is having his name in

the paper and being called a brave fellow. "Quicker than I can tell, I made up my mind that the train must be signalled, lamp or no lamp. But how to do it was the question. If I ran ahead without a light the engineer might think I wanted to stop the train for robbery, for such things have been done, you know, and would not only dash right on faster than before but (may be) try to scalp me as the locomotive rushed by. I tell you I felt like praying just then; but brakemen are not selected for their religious feelings, so I didn't pray much; but looked around and saw a light shining in a window some distance off. taid down my lantern carefully on the track, made a bee line for the house, and soon brought a woman to the door, who lcoked more frightened than I was, at my excited appearance. It was useless to ask for sperm oil (the only kind we use,) so I

"For God's sake get me some straw. She seemed to realize the position, and quickly brought a bundle. Feeling in my ocket, I found three matches, and grabing the straw I made my way back to the

Laying the straw between two rails. I struck a match and shoved it into the bun-It flickered an instant, and then went out. I felt and found the straw damp, Just then a doll, faint, rumbling sound came down on the wind, and I knew she

was coming: the train would be there. "I struck the second match and touched off the straw-a blaze, a little smoke, and it was dark again, and raising my eyes I saw the head light away in the discance. But trains don't crawl, and a buzzing along the rail told me to be lively. The red light was burning but family; live minutes more and it would go out. For an instant I stood paralyzed, when a shrill whistle from the engine brought me to my senses, and I saw that inside of two minutes she would be there.

"Setzing the lanters with one hand I struck the last march, and bending down laid it carefully inside the straw and then dashed forward, waving the red light. The glare from the headlight shone down the track and the engineer saw me, but did not notice the red light-the sudden waving had put it out-only screeching, he came straight on. When the train was almost upon me I jumped to one side, and slinging the lantern over my head dashed it into the cab. The engineer saw the lamp as it broke on the floor, and seeing the red glass and battered lantern whistled the danger signal and tried to check up.

Looking down the track I almost screamed from excitement. The last match had found a dry spot, and the fire was binzing up brightly. The train came to a standstill. She was saved; that's all I remember.

"The next I knew I was in the baggage cat. They said they had found me lying by the train in a dead faint, and -excuse me, we are going to stop now.' "Stateford!" he sung out. The train stopped, and the writer went home, satisfied

that a brakeman's life is an exciting one,

A Boy came down Linwood avenue on the rush, a few nights since, and, in an exa dozen scientific men, four loafers and a sto-lent buried himself is deep and atte-

ran for his lite - Melrose Journal.

## THE CONJURERS OF OLD.

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The spiritual medium of the present day bears a closer resemblance, in methods and inguipulations, to the well known conjucer of history than any other representative of the magic art. How far short be still rethat we have nice, soft, easy times. But mains of the performance of his prototypes we know better. Imagine yourself out on is illustrated below. In 1615 a delegation a flat car all night, with the snow dashing of highly educated and distinguished men into your face, your hands on a cold iron from the Euglish East Iudia Company brake, and think if that's easy, or up on visited the Emperor Jehangire. While or top of a freight car, running along, the their mission they witnessed many most wind cutting like a knife, as dark as pitch, wonderful performances, almost caming and watching for fear you may rush sud- them to discredit their senses, and far bedealy under a bridge and be swept off, and your any Lint even of solution, A party perhaps be left to die in the snew. Is that of Bengalese conjurers and jugglers, show easy? Does that look like a soft job? To ling their art before the Emperor, were desure, when we are transferred to passen. sixed to produce upon the spot, and from ger cars the work is nice enough, but the seed, ten malberry trees. They immedidangers we have to go through (for we gen- ) at by planted ten seeds, which, in a few erally have to go on freight ears first) between produced as many trees. The entitle us to something better on a passen- ground divided over the spot, when a seed ger car, and we ain't sorry when we get was planted, thuy leaves appeared, at once orders to take the head end of such a regut followed by slender shoots, which rapidle gained elevation, putting out leaves am twigs and branches, finally spreading wide in the air, budding, blossoming and yield ing fruit, which matured on the spot, and was found to be excellent. And this before the beholder had turned away his eyes. Fig. almond, mango, and walnutre s were at the same time under like con-

ditions produced, yielding the fruit which belonged to each. Wonder succeeded won-der. The branches were filled with birdof beautiful plumage, flitting about among the leaves and singing sweet notes. The leaves turned to russet, fell from their places, branches and twigs withered, and inally the trees sank back into the earth, out of which they had all sprang within the The same conjurers performed a serier of marvels. One of them produced a chair

fifty cubits in length. One end of this he ture w into the air, when the chain rapidly ran out its whole length, and ren a need fixed in the air as if fastened against the sky. A dog was then placed upon the chain, when up he rau to the further end. bog, a pantler, and other large animals were successively despatched up this acres pathway, and each in tern disappeared from the far end. Nor were they seen again; and finally the chain was withlight lantern; 'we'll go on. You can come thawn, and placed in a bag for convenient along with the other train." carriage.

Another had a bow and about fifty stee air, when, lo! the arrow became fixed in space at a considerable height. Another and another arrow was sent off, each fixing is if in the shaft of the preceeding, until all had formed a chain of arrows in the air, excepting the last shot, which striking the chain, brought the whole to the ground in detachments.

They set up two common tents facing each other, and about a bow shot apart. These tents were critically examined by the speciators, as are the cabinets of the medians, and pronounced empty. The tents were fastened to the ground, all around. The lookers on were then invited have issue from these tents to engage in a battle. Kanaun-e-Jahann, incredulously asked to see a fight between ostriches. I few minutes an ostrich came om from each tent, inshed to combat with dean earnestiness, and from them the blood apon began to stream; but they were so nearly matched that neither could win the victory, and they were at last separated by the emfurers and conveyed within the tents After this I e varied memands of the spectators for hirds or beasts were complete with, always with the same results,

They took a man and apparently sever ed limb from limb, actually at last cuit of off his head, as it appeared. They sent tered these members along the ground for a considerable distance, and allowed them to remain for some time. Gathering their together, they spread over these remains a sheet, under which one of the juggle:s crawled, and soon came out; followed by the man who had been dissevered, no sound in every part. Neither was there to be found about the place any trace of the thing that had been done.

A large caldron was set, and into this w quantity of rice thrown. Without the ign of fire this rice began to boil, and out from the caldron was taken more than our hundred platters of cooked rice, with stewed fowl at the top of each. This triis performed on a smaller scale by the and ordinary fakits of the present day.

But space fails to give opportunity for illustration, from the records of the past how the miserably tame performances-in compa ison—of the mediums of the press in day were p d dovershad wed by the c of other days and more admit people. There is not a wenderful feature in any of the so called obenomena or manifestatio which was not, may, which is not now more than duplicated by other skill ful perform ers, whose connection with earth and earth alone is too evident to be dombted, even if the fact was not supported by their one testimony.

A PAIR of dolls, tied together at the neck, were received at the St. John (N. B.) post-office. They bore the following in-

PASS THEM ALONG. This youthful pair would like to room

Cross burning plain and ocean foam, To rest beneath the Banyan tree And gaze into the sparkling sea; To scale the dizzy mountain's height, Of burning craters eatch a sight To see the chilly locherg's peak; Mid Indian homes new pleasures seek

Then speed them on their distant way. Stop not by night, nor rest by day. Till having gone the wide world o'er They seek their prairie home once many PEORIA, Ill., Jan. 11, 1877. The twins bere the postmarks of the C.

lowing offices: Washington, Boston, Bar-gor and Boston railroad postal car, Banger, Bangor and Vanceborn' postal car, Vanceboro' and St. John postal car, and --John. After being presented in due form to the post-office authorities, the twins were confined to the depths of a mail hag and sent off via the Intercolonial for Hallfax, thence by steamer to the mother country.

"Watch is the largest gland?" asked cited manner, said there were a lot of Chicago medical professor of the newslights in the Jewish burial ground. Half arrival in his class, the other day. The dog started off to see them. The grave tive thought for a moment, and then brights yard was as dark as such places usually ening up suddenly, exclaimed, "The largest are. "Where are the lights?" asked a big gland, sir, is-En-gland?" Then the proman of the boy. The youngster backed off fessor kindly led the youth aside, and pato a safe distance and yelled out, "Under thetically advised him to think no more of the ground; they are Israelites." Hughen medicine, but to join a ministrel show or enter the army.