paign next fall.

ler, Secretary of the Interior. Mr. Claud fully understands the way of his white brother and is after an appropria-Ion, his complaint being that General Crook, the great Indian fighter, took one hundred horses from him for which he wants Teller to pay him one hundred thousand dollars damages. Teller did would pay the demand, nor did the Sloux chief jusist upon the Secretary check, he left for home.

very latest news from all parts of the patch is a Republican paper with openly scheme. announced independent proclivities, and during the late campaign in this State its warfare against Cameronism was cord of the news of the day it stands in

no habitation and a name outside of the adelphia Record, speaking of Mr. Ed- therefore, if he lives up to nature's laws

THE Legislature met at Harrisburg it aloue. of 130 years. I was late maturing, being beardless at the age of 26 years.—
by the Democratic members of the Capt. A. C. Nutt, Cashier of the From boyhood up to the age of twenty. Democrats had it in their power to elect in life. Democrats had it in their power to elect

Lee by voting for him on the first ballot, but for some reason uncomprehensition in this country during the year just the first power to elect

The statistics of railroad construction in this country during the year just the first power to elect

143 years, and her husband lived 127 years. He reports a Peruvian who lived to be 130. Prichard, on the lon
150 received, and no person is to be appointed or retained in the service who uses intoxicating beverages to excess. The soliciting, receiving or giving of any contributions or assessment for any political purposes by any ble to us three away the opportunity, thus giving to Cameron's friends the completion of about eleventhousand organization of the body and striking a blow at referm, about which their hundred miles more than were built in a sound of the body and striking a blow at referm, about which their hundred miles more than were built in age of 130 years. Namerous instances the four members of the court purposes by any officer or employe is prohibited under a pendict purposes by any officer or employe is prohibited under a pendict purposes by any officer or employe is prohibited under a pendict purposes by any officer or employe is prohibited under a pendict purposes by any officer or employe is prohibited under a pendict purposes by any officer or employe is prohibited under a pendict purposes by any officer or employe is prohibited under a pendict purposes by any officer or employe is prohibited under a pendict purposes by any officer or employe is prohibited under a pendict purposes by any officer or employe is prohibited under a pendict purposes by any officer or employe is prohibited under a pendict purposes by any officer or employe is prohibited under a pendict purposes by any officer or employe is prohibited under a pendict purposes by any officer or employe is prohibited under a pendict purposes by any officer or employe is prohibited under a pendict purpose by any of negroes, speaks of one, the court purposes by any officer or employe is prohibited under a pendict purpose by any of negroes, speaks of one, the court purposes by any of negroes, speaks of one, the court purpose by any officer or employe is prohibited under a pendict purpose by any of negroes, speaks of one, the court purposes of one, the court purpose of one, the c

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the grand old party in Connecticut concluded last week to steal the Governor- THE CHRISTIAN WORLD PARTAKES OF THE HOLY JOY. ship of that State from Thomas M. Wal-H. Bulkeley, Republican, by about four thousand majority. It seems that at the election the Democratic ticket in the city of New Haven and in many other parts of the State was printed on generacy of the Human Race

Dispidation in the Human Fabric.

Rapid Strides in the Physical Degeneracy of the Human Race

man has made wonderful rapid strides. tion from humble life. Outside of black paper, leaving the names of the candidates in white, and that this is not were the Bepublican tickets printed as as the next President of the Republic. the law directs, for they had a deep JOHN S. Mosey, the famous rebel occutions or about three thousand gratitude it recognizes Christ's rising he begot Samech seven hundred and eightrooper, who is now filling the office of and on Wednesday of last week, when ration Easter. Great are the prepara-daughters." Now-a-days man gropes United States consul at Hong Kong, the question of the legality of the elec- tions made for the commemoration of his way through this valley of youthful China, shows that he thoroughly noder- tion of the Democratic city ticket came | Christmas in this city. The stores are | and premature death, the inexorable stands Mahone's political methods when before Court for its decision, the Chief bright and beautiful in their festival curse of "three score and ten" holding stands Mahone's political methods when before Can't for its decision, the China garnishings, and numerous and varied him the bair. Very few men of the pres-in a letter to a friend in Virginia, he Justice held that the Democratic bal-are the seasonable attractions. At the entage possess one-tenth of the vitality says: "I regard Mahone as the most lots were illegal. This decision would wharves and in the markets the piles of of Methusaleh. "For the days of Mevindictive, unscrupulous and meanest of course embrace the Democratic tictyrant that ever figured in American kets voted in that city and other parts Nearly all the streets of the city are nine years." In these primeval days it tyrant that ever figured in American of the State. Here was a glorious chance | alive with Christmas greens, and in the | was as common for men to live nine | politica. | That Moshy means to heard | of the State. Here was a glorious chance | churches the nimble fingers of females | hundred years, as it is in these degenerthe lion in his den, may be inferred from for Charles J. Cole, Chairman of the Re- are busily engaged in the work of deco- ate days for men to live ninety years. the announcement that he will return to publican State ticket, to achieve immor- rating the church sanetuaries. On all Jared lived nine hundred and sixty-two this country in the early part of the tal fame, or infamy, as the case may be, the streets are reminders of the advent years. Noah lived nine hundred and summer, and will also take the stump and he forthwith rushed into print with against Mahone in the Virginia cam- the claim that Waller and the other and those that pile the side walks, give dred and twelve years; Canau lived nine; the machine? Yes, and lawyers, been legally elected. The Republicans ations for the great festival. RED GLOUD, the noted Sloux Indian have a majority in the Legislature and world metable of the bounded chief, is now in Washington and on it was the intention of Cole and some of angels announced to the shepherds on the more reckless politicians of the par- that occasion, and which consists in up of the deep founts of physical morty, to get a law passed declaring the Re- giving glory to God for such an incompublican candidates elected, Mr. Bulk. parable favor, it is to be deplored that the mushroom of an hour. The flames eley, however, was not east in the same about the 25th of December being the died out of the human clay. The questional day on which our Saviour was born.— tion now suggests itself. Upon what not say just then whether or not he no matter what the Legislature may do following words: "It is the custom to but said that he would call again before | will I serve or take the position which I | dispelled. to give to another." We don't suppose THE Pittsburg Dispatch furnishes its that Cole could have persuaded the Legas it may, the manly and emphatic let-

from Mr. Tilden in 1876, some of the

published elsewhere in our paper, and the appetites and morals of a communwhich passed the Senate last week, re- ity can be regulated and moulded by esived thirty-nine votes in its favor to legislation, has accordingly introduced the Record to the contrary notwith- are relatively increasing in strength of five against it, the members not voting a new bill against Mormon polygamy in standing. being paired. Mr. Brown, of Georgia, the Senate, the like of which was never moved unsuccessfully to amend the title | hefore heard of in a country where perof the bill so as to make it read, "An gonal liberty is protected by law. His ber of persons. A few of these reported act to perpetnate in office Republi- bill provides that the wife of a Mormon deaths are as follows. Mrs. Margaret cans who now control the patronage of prosecuted for bigamy shall testify the Government." There will be a against her husband the same as any | Northeastern Pennsylvania, died at | Hy and unbending morality, the refineflores struggle over the bill in the House, other witness; that personal service of Alred, died at Floyd, Georgia, aged 103 | ment in taste and sentiment, the mental and speculation at Washington is much a subpress shall not be necessary before years; Mrs. Mary Larkin, died at Bal- and physical vigor so common among divided over the result. It has all as attachment can issue to compel the 'timore, Maryland, aged 103 years; Mrs. along seemed to us that while both par-ties in Congress profess to be in favor of statutes of limitations shall not be by died at Morristown, New Jersey, reforming the civil service, neither par- pleaded against a prosecution for biga- aged 105; Mrs. Ann Summeral, died at ty is much in love with this pet measure my or polygamy, thus making the bill Bloomingdate, Florida, aged 112, and of Mr. Pendleton. an expost factor law. Mr. Edmonds is min aged 121 years. All of these aged regarded as an able lawyer, but that he persons died within the last ten days, At the beginning of the new year we has no faith in the measure he has seen It is worthy of note, that all of them desire to say a word in commendation fit to bring into the Senate is clearly were females. This goes to prove that of the Altona Morning Tribune. We shown from the fact that he has anget from it the very latest telegraphic nounced that he had offered it "by re- than men. It is also evident that the news, as well as a report of all the important local occurrences along the line to have more respect for his reputation. Notwithstanding there are so many old of the Pennsylvania railroad in this and than to become the tool of another in maids and old bachelers there is scarce. the New York World furnishes that pathe neighboring counties-information acting as sponser for a bill which, if it | tained a great age. which is very often of great service to us ever becomes a law, would be kicked to making up our local and general de- out of the Supreme Court of the United | there is nothing with which mankind is | week. He says : partments. In every respect except its States as unconstitutional and in viola- so impredent. politics the Tribics is a most excellent tion of personal liberty. For more than longer we will live, and the more we depaper, and being published in a city twenty years the Republican party has viste from them, the shorter will be our with which the people of the northern been promising to put an end to this existence. The average man foolishly and eastern sections of this county have American "relic of barbarism," polyga- wastes his stock of mortality, and beconstant business relations, it possesses my, but it flourishes as vigorously to spent. All animal life is so constituted peculiar advantages as an advertising day in Utah as it did when Abraham with a stock of vitality sufficient to medium. A botter weekly than is is- Lincoln was nominated for the Presi- run it five times the period the particusued from the same establishment has dency at Chleago in 1860. As the Phil- lar animal requires to mature. The av-

House on Monday night, John Faunce, State Treasury, was shot and instantly five, compared with the companions of of Philadelphia, was nominated for killed in Uniontown, Payette county, Speaker on the first bullot, and on the on the day before Christmas, by N. L. sixth ballot P. Gray Mack, editor of the Dukes, a lawyer of that place, and Few men have been more improvident Bellefonte Watchman, was nominated Democratic member elect to the present and more reckless of life than I have for chief Clerk. Elbridge McConkey, Legislacure, Uniontown was Nutt's been. I am convinced that under faof Harrisburg, was nominated for res- residence when he was appointed cash- to be over one hundred years old. I ident clerk, and also two transcribing her by State Treasurer Bailey, and his now fully realize the fact that I have clerks, one from Clarion county and the family remained there after he went to recklessly and foolishly wasted much of other from Cumberland, After appoint. Harrisburg. He learned that Dukes my stock of vitality. There is no reasto an adjourned meeting of the caucus | ed in a letter to him that he should mar- | 100 years old. But the man who maon Tuesday morning at ten o'clock, ry her. Dukes refused and it is said tures at 20 years and should live to the what other officers are indispensable to cast a base imputation upon Miss Nutt's age of 100 years, dies on the average an- than a year, or by both fine and imprisonan efficient and legal organization of the | character. Nutt returned home on Sat-House, the caucus adjourned. Mr. prday evening, Dec. 23d, and on Sunday Faunce and the other nominees were morning, in company with his nephew, Civilization seems to consist of refined elected by the House on Tuesday, - went to the hotel where Dukes boarded, Twenty-nine of the thirty Republican and immediately after entering the latmembers of the Senate, held a "meet- ter's room (his nephew remaining on ing," not a cancus whose action would the stair-way talking to a friend), a low. How healthful and glorious would be binding, on Monday night, but after scuille eusued. The nephew and his man's life be if he would strictly obey a good deal of talk and taking one bal- friend rushed into the room and separalot, adjourned without nominating a ted them, when Dukes suddenly pulled candidate for President pro tem, Roy- a pistol from his pocket and shot Nutt when his work was done and his journey burn, of Philadelphia, receiving 15 votes through the head. Dukes then walked ended he would melt calmly into an imand Lee, of Venango, 11. In the Sen- to the jail and gave himself up to the mortal state. But such is not the case. ate on Tuesday the first ballor for Pre. Sheriff. After Capt. Nutt's funeral sident stood, Reyburn, 23; Hall, Dem, Dukes was admitted to ball by Judge longevity over refined and polished na- in the executive branch of the Government, 20 and Lee, Independent, 7. On the Wilson in the sum of \$12,000, his step- tions. Leaving out causes of destrucsecond bailot Messrs. Aull, Longeneck- father going on his bond. It is a very fion of life inseparable from the habier and McCracken changed from Lee to sad affair and produced intense excite-Reyburn, which gave him the necessary ment, both parties being prominent eft- Humbolf gives our native American Intwenty-six votes to elect bim. The izens and both occupying high positions dians long lives. He reports two of Senator or Member of the House are not to

was so much and such loud boasting and the banner year for of long life are given of negro men and of the commission and the appointment of the commission and the co

## THE Republican leaders having been successful in stealing the Presidency CHRISTMAS and the EMBLEMS.

The Miraculous Incarnation Receiving most prominent and active managers of World-Wide Recognition.

her, who was elected to that position by A CHAPTER ON LONGEVITY. figure in French polities, died in Paris the Democrats last November over Wm. Has Wastes His Stock of Mortality-Refined and Polman in the Methusaleh, Jared, Noah ished Nations Have No Promise in Longand numerous others. Surely the chronevity Over Savage Nations. ology of the early ages could not have

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erus Centrasted

in accordance with the law. Neither [Regular Correspondence of the FREEMAN.] PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 24, 1882. DEAR MCPIKE-To-morrow will be Christmas. The wide world recognizes | hood at eight hundred years of age. Just black border on them, which was as the miraculous incarnation of the Sa- think of a man perpetuating his species plain a mark as the black on the Demo- viour of mankind, calling its commem- at the great old age at which Methusacratic ballots. New Haven gave a Dem. oration Christmas, and with similar lah did. "For Methusalch lived after from the grave, and calls its commence- ey-two years, and then begot sons and alive with Christmas greens, and in the | was as common for men to live nine of Christmas. The furnished store win- fifty years; Adam lived Line hundred dows and their stock of Christmas goods, and thirty years; Seth lived nine hun-Democratic State candidates had not tokens of how extensive are the prepar- hundred and ten years, and Enos lived

world partake of the holy joy which the years is uncommon.

at this day doubts should be expressed of the ancient divine fire seem to have like him, scorns to take an office to Yet there are some who do doubt. An food did our primeval fathers feed ? It which he knows he was never elected. editorial in the Philadelphia Record of is certain their cooks had not learned On Saturday last he addressed a very Christmas festival, doubts the correct. of chronic indigestion. They assuredly the 19th inst., upon the subject of the | the art of bestowing upon them the boon brief letter to Cole informing him that ness of the date of Christ's birth in the were not in the habit of gorgeing their stomachs with fried oysters, devilled or declare, any action it may take must | associate Christmas with the birth of crabs and chicken salads. They could Christ, and doubtless some persons will not have been subject to colic, tooth "be with the knowledge that in no event | not find it pleasant to have the illusion | ache, spasms, itch, carbuncles on the But cold historical fact back of neck, scald heads or ingrowing believe it was the intent of the electors | seemingly does not justify the associa- | toe-nails. Were those primeval gentletion. Indeed it seems very certain that | men's stomachs supplied with the same the event did not occur on that day."- arrangements of fountains and gastric But the date and place of our Saviour's | solvents which they reveal to the eye of readers with a wonderful variety of the islature to carry out his purpose of over- birth is not au illusion. It is true that the naturalist in these profane days of throwing the clearly expressed will of | in the fourth century there was a doubt | scalpels and microscopes? What a pity world, and in doing so displays a degree the people of Connecticut, but be that about the date of Christ's birth, but that the anatomy and physiology of the Pope Julius I, then reigning, made a stomach and loins of that wonderful old of industry and enterprise eminently for of Mr. Bulkeley completely disarms search of the Roman archives and as- Methusaleh had not been clearly made creditable to its proprietors. The Dis- him and puts an end to his thieving certained the fact that Joseph and Mary out and scientifically arranged with picwent to the city of Bethlehem on the torial illustrations for the edification 24th of December, and on the following and benefit of modern Æsculapiuses. day Christ was born. In consequence THE anti-poligamy bill passed by Conof a decree from the Roman Emperor, clear consciences, and slept sweetly and gress at its last session, and from which for the purpose of taxing all his subjects | soundly, and did not worry themselves such great results were promised by the in the several cities. Joseph and Mary in grasping after wealth and fame. As both fearless and effective. As a rea miserable failure. This is freely ac- to whose family they belonged, and upon the record not as fables, but as cha the front rank of journalism. Its weekly edition is furnished to clubs at the remarkably low price of ninety cents, markably low price of ninety cents. which is certainly a rare inducement to for the purpose of procuring additional and Joseph, and they were placed in the morally and spiritually, it seems that and more stringent legislation to crush | stable of one of the lines, where Christ | has wilted and almost withered to death. was born on the following day. There out the evil. Mr. E munds, of Ver- is no question of doubt about either the age cannot boast either of their physical most, who was the author of the bill, date or place of birth of the long-prom- or mental vigor. The accumulation of the provisions of which will be found and who labors under the defusion that | ised Saviour. The custom, therefore, | literature which is stored up in huge of celebrating the nativity of Christ on | magazines, and the multiplied faculties the 25th of December is not an illusion. of modern education which long exper-

> but an established fact, the assertion of | ience has secured, are no proof that we My attention for the last few days has been called to the reported deaths proofs that we are relatively increasing Honneywell, the oldest inhabitant of gia, aged 121 years. All of these aged ly an instance of one of them having at-There is nothing dearer than life, yet

The more we follow nature and are obedient to her laws, the munds new bill, says: "If we cannot will survive for one hundred years,deal with polygamy without cutting the | Had I lived strictly up to nature's laws throat of civil liberty we had better let I might have reached the good old ace my own age, I was physically greatly their inferior, while at the age of 30 years I was physically their superior .vorable conditions I would have fived on why the average man, under proper conditions, should not live to be 90 or

der 50 years of age. The physical downfall of man may be ascribed to eating forbidden food .methods of violating nature's laws. -- false representations concerning the grade of Diatetic abuse among the wealthy is a such applicants. Within sixty days after methods of violating nature's laws, -frightful source of disease. If man will the passage of the act the heads of the denot obey nature's laws disease must folall of nature's laws. Man would then live without an ache or pain in the body, tion; but it is expressly provided in the bill that any preference conferred upon veter-ans shall not be taken from them, nor shall We kill ourselves eating forbidden food. The savage tribes have a prominence in be taken from the President. Officers not des of barbrous races, the African and Indian offenest attain extreme old age, eligible for appointment in the same grade these Indians, one a female who lived be received, and no person is to be appointed LETTER FROM CALIFORNIA.

When one looks back at the reported

ong life before the Deluge, however old

he may be, he feels like an insignificant

infant. What's wonderful dilapidation

has been in the human fabric. The

comparative longevity of the ancients

and the moderns is a matter of vital im-

portance and interest. Buffon and Hal-

ong life before the Deluge. We have

the recorded word of the longevity of

been the same as this of the present age.

Once man strode the earth like a collos-

sus, and flourished like a tree. His days

were not like the flower and the grass

that springeth up in the morning and is

thusalah being in the full vigor of man-

nine hundred and five years. In these

tality have ceased, and man has become

The old patriarchs must have had good.

In reality, the people of the present

mind, nor are our concentrated faculties

and stupendous triamphs of bodily labor

in physical energy. When we make al-

lowances for our advantages, we are

penetrated with the irresistable sense of

relative inferiority. When we look

the ancient Egyptians, Athenians and

Romana as evinced at this day in their

monuments that have defied the wreck

of time and varidals of ages, we can-

not deny our inferiority. Take a glance

back at the history of the world, and

the mental, moral and physical condi-

tion of society in ages long past, and its

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condition as regards these relations at

Divil Service Commission.

pers are to hold no other official positi

under the United States; are to receive a

salarp of \$3,000 a year, with traveling ex-

nenses : and are to aid the President in pre

paring rules for carrying the act into effect,

and when the rules are promulgated it be-

and officers in the Government employ to

which they may relate to see that they are

carried out. These rules are to provide for

he fitness of applicants for the public ser-

are to be apportlened among the several

States and Territories and the District of

Columbia upon the basis of population, and

those applicants selected will have to pass

through a period of probation before any

from the lower grade to the highest, on the

basis of merit and competition; that no per

gation to contribute to any political fund or

has any official the right to use his offi-

removed or prejudiced for refusing to do so

cial authority or influence to coerce the po

itical action of any person or body. It is a

nment for not less than ten days nor more

ment, for any person in the public service to

furnish information to applicants calculated either to improve of injure their prospects,

or in any way to obstruct or deceive them as to their rights under the rules, or make any

partments are required to classify their em-

ments for the purpose of examination, and from time to time revise the classification as

shall be appointed, and no nerson shall be

the classes until he has passed an examina

any authority not inconsistent with the bill

labors and workmen and persons nominated for confirmation by the Senats, are exempt-

ed from classification and examination. Not

more than two members of any family are

oyes and cierks in their respective depart-

casion may require, and no officer or clerk

misdementor punishable by a fine of not less than \$100 nor more than \$1,000, or by impris-

son in the public service is under any o

Provision is also made for promotions

absolute appointment is made.

open competitive examinations for testing

It seems as if the once great welling

leck both agree upon the possibility

OARDALB, Stanislans Co., Cal., } Dec. 25, 1882. DEAR FRIEND-I send you a friendly letter as the only New Year's gift I have to give you. Whatever the new year may be to you, it is of vast importance to me. The passing links in the chain of life, are now being counted at the short end, and no one knows how many or how few there are yet to count. Sixty five have already pussed, and almost another is counted. My destiny, my life, is in the control of a Supreme Pow-Let His will be done on earth even as it

is in heaven We are having beautiful weather here, as fair as any June weather in the States. Flowers in the gardens are blooming in this mild, etherial air. Grass is growing finely. Grain is its carpet of green over hill and dale. Wild flowers will soon appear. It appears se strange to hear and read of ice and snow and freezing weather in the States, while we cut down in the evening. Think of Me- are surrounded by such lovely summer

I see another Teachers' Institute poticed o meet in your town, and I have often wondered why they continue. It is true new young teachers are constantly taking the place of older ones, and such may pick up an idea now and then, but if I were on my solemn oath, I would have to swear that after attending some fifty or sixty meetings of the kind, including State associations, I never learned anything useful or new-nothing that cannot be found in books; and book nformation, being much easier obtainable and much cheaper, would yet be my choice. We have granger meetings in this State, where farmers and their wives meet to dis-cuss the best method of plowing and sowing. These meetings are as much like Institutes as twins are like each other. I never knew a farmer to acknowledge that he had ever learned anything new at a grange meeting. What would printers learn from each other by meeting and discussing the best way to set type, display matter, or lock up s form? In short, if teachers must meet, why not compel tailors, blacksmiths, and saloon keepers to meet and teach each other how to run

But I must close, wishing that everybody may be as kind to you and yours as you have been kind to me, and your continued kindness, with that of other Cambria and Westmoreland county editors, passes all understanding-all comprehension. ROB ROY. Yours, thankfully,

A PRINCELY PASTOR.-Very often royal blood is hidden away in the ministry in the ministry in the Catholic Church, great discoverer. Time, generally brings all such into public notice. The Catholic Church in America, as well as elsewhere, can boast of many pioneers of royal descent in the ranks of her clergy. A few of such adorn her sanctuaries at the present day.—
Among them is Rev. M. P. O'Brien, of Minersville. Schuylkill county, who is a lineal descendant of Donald O'Brien, King of Limerick. His father's mother, Catharine Carroll, is descended from the Carrolls of Littalouna, King's county, Ireland, the parent stock and home of the Carrolls of Car rollton, Maryland. Daniel Carroll, grandfather of the signer of the Declaration of

Independence, emigrated from that place, and settled in Upper Marlinoro, Md., as a merchant, where he died in 1765. He was a awver of distinction. Father O'Brien, was related to William Smith O'Brien, the Irish agitator, and broth-er to the Earl of Inchiquin, now deceased; and the Right Rev. Bishop O'Brien, of Wa-terford and Lismore, Ireland, who died in 1873, was also a near relative. His mother, Honora, Mullin (maiden name), comes from a good old Irish stock, and is still living at the rine age of eighty-two. The Right Rev. Bishop Kirby, of the Irish college in Rome also venerable in years, whom the great Pope Pious IX loved so well, is her cousin. Father O'Brien, now rector of St. Vincen de Paul's Church, Mineraville, was the first of the Blocktey Almshouse. In plaint to S. G. King, now Mayor of Philedelterest in its reformation. was removed from the position and since that time he has had pastoral charge of the Holy Family Church, New Philadelphia, Heckscherville, Rustleton, and at present be is stationed in Minersville. To him is due to a certain extent the origin of the late ex-

Blockley Almshouse, - Phila. Prace. GOVERNOR CLEVELAND was inaugurated in the Sanata Chamber at Al. hanv on Monday and delivered a brief. modest and very appropriate address .-There was no display. Ben. Butler was inaugurated Governor of Massachusetts on Wednesday. It was the biggest day of his life-a good deal bigger than the day on which the rebels routed him at Big Bethel, Virginia, or that other day when he undertook to blow up Fort Fisher, in North Carolina. At the ceremonies on Wednesday Benjamin appeared in full uniform and looked his rondest and best. Governor Robert E. Pattison will be inaugurated a week from next Tuesday, being the sixteenth day of the month. His inaugural adthe contrast that presents itself between dress will be brief, but he intends not many days afterwards to send a special message to the Legislature.

A BLESSING.

present, is met with the humiliating conviction of the awful dilapidation that The pain in all his joints became intense: fever, with his detoriating effects, was now added, and he became rapidly reduced to the semblance of a skeleton, while vitality had reached its lowest possible condition, and his sufferings were of such indescribable THE Washington correspondent of character that those who most loved him thought it would be better if he were to be per with the following summary of the ivil Service Reform bill, as it passed called away. At this time physicians, the Senate on Wednesday night of last known in this city (Pittsburg), informed his parents that he was in imminent danger The Civil Service Reform Bill, as it passed of total Paralysis, and directly afterward they announced to his sorrowful mother that the Senate, provides for the appointment by the President, by and with the consent of they could give no hopes of his recovery. At this inneture the use of Peruna was comthe Senate, of three persons, not more than two of whom shall be adherents of the same menced, and in six weeks Wm. Lincoln rty, who shall constitute the United States Curts was well and at work. Read page 23

"Ills of Life;" get it from your Druggist. -Elizabeth Lambert, 30 years of age, Hving in Cambridgeport, Mass., who has been of the spine and other affections for seven teen years, is alleged to have been instantaneously cured through the medium of prayer. After she had uttered her prayer she at once made an effort to walk and suffered no pain. Within a few days, however she fell while crossing the room and injured one of her legs, but she has continued to walk daily, though in a limping manner.

If any one has represented that we are in

stuff with the word "Hops" in their name, cheating honest folks, or that we will any of their bills or debts, they are frauds and swindlers, and the victims should punish them. We deal in and pay only the bills for the genuine Hop Bitters, the purest and HOP BITTERS MANUFACTURING CO.

-Thirty Penitentiary convicts and two on the Western North Carolina railroad, altempted to cross the Tuckaseegee river on a flat, Saturday morning, when the flat began to leak. They all rushed to one end of the fist and it sunk. Only twelve of the con-victa were saved. One of the guards was —A week washed ashore insensible, but after great difficulty, was restored to consciousness.

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-At Bradford, England, on Thursday morning a fail chimney fell upon a building full of operatives, killing thirty six and in-The sufferers were mostly women and children. The total damage is es- would only prejudice the interests which it timated at over £50,000. About 3,000 persons are thrown out of surployment, eight mills having flue connections with the demolished chimney being brought to a stan-d | course read in all the churches of the diocese

A PATAL HISTARE.

would be not to take Dr. R. V. Pierce's "Golden Medical Discovery" if you are bili-ous, suffering from impure blood, or fearing consumption (scrofulous diseases of the lungs). Sold by druggists.

-Mr. J. C. Flood divided \$5,000 among charitable associations of San Francisco, at Christmas treating Protestants, Catholics and

THAT HUSBAND OF MINE.

NEWS AND OTHER NOTINGS.

Bishop Ireland of St. Paul has forbidden sman Catholies in his diocese to set as sa--Raron Robinson, of Condersport, killed an almost pure white buck deer on the Sen--Mrs. General T. W. Sherman denies the

story recently started that her husband has joined the Oatholic Church. -John Hinkel, Mt. Carmel, Pa., says: "Brown's Iron Bitters has given me a spiendid appetite and greatly improved my

-At a family gathering in Bath, Northampton county, recently, Samuel Straub presented each of his six children with a \$5,000 United States bond. -Five colored persons drowned on Thursday twelve miles above Darien, Ga., at Fort

Barrington. The ferry-boat capsized and there was no help available. -T. J. Stauffer, a brakeman, fell under the wheels of a moving freight car on the Pennsylvania Railroad, at Pittsburg on Saturday, and was instantly killed. Peter Desgaren, a carpenter of Rock

ford, Washington Territory, on Wednesday shot his wife, of whom he was jealous, and then shot himself through the head -The bridegroom and bride of a Wisconsin

wedding were both sued on the following day for damages in consequence of baying broken their promise to marry otherwise. -The ice cut at Chicago thus far has been less than for any similar period in 25 years. One dealer who two years ago cut 70,000 tons to this date has only harvested 3,000 tons.

—Jacob Rosers, formerly of Philipsburgh

old, and the railroad companies in his adopted State all furnish him with free passes. -Mrs. James Waltenbaugh, of Newcastle, Lawrence county, recently eloped with a colored man. Since the elopement her fathe died and left his large estate to her husband. -At Macon, Georgia, a large hawk swooped down on a cage containing three canary birds, fought away the women who went to

their rescue and then carried off one of the -Mary McNally fractured the skull of onto Garzeasell on Wednesday night in Brooklyn, N. Y., and it is thought he will die. They had been llving together as man

and wife -John M. Smith, of Womelsdorf, has a large collection of rare coins, among which is a coin of the reign of Titus Antonius, one of the Roman emperors. The coin te 1743 years old at least

-A Nevada penitentiary convict says that he was sent to prison for being dishonest, and is there kept at work cutting out piece of pasteboard to put between the soles of shoes in place of honest leather. -A young man named Rex and a girl

named Shearer, quarreled at New Philadel-phia, O., on Saturday night. Miss Shearer shot Rextwice, mortally wounding bim. says he tried to break into her room after be ing warned away. -A Charlottesville, Va., printer has accomplished the fest of putting 2 552 legible words on a postal card with a lead pencil,

reserving in the centre of the card a circle the size of a gold dollar, in which is inscribed the Lord's prayer. -A woman at Kingston, New Mexico. gets praise for erecting a log cabin without help. She cut the logs, hauled them, made the shingles for the roof, and put the struct-

ure together. She has a husband who takes care of the children. -Mrs. Hughes died on Monday in the City Hospital of Newark from injuries received rom her son-in-law on Dec. 24. She interered while he was beating his wife, at their nome, 110 Harrison court, and he kicked her.

He has been arrested.

-The Harrisburg Chain Works manufac-tured and shipped the other day to New the year at once; especially as they may be assured that the same distinguished authors York a ship's cable weighing 4005 pounds to and artists will contribute of their best the largest ship chandler firms in that the succeeding eleven numbers. It is the largest chain ever manufac tured in Central Pennsylvania. -Dave Roberts, a negro confined in the

Abbaville, S. C., fail on a charge of cotton

atealing and murderous assault, was taken out and lynched on Sunday night. Admittence to the jail was obtained by stratagem and the Sheriff was overpowered -On the back of Miss Delia Monerleff of Boston is burned in by lightning a representation of the large elm tree which stands

within a few feet of a piezza where she was sliting when the house was struck by a thunare of the corruptions existing in the der bolt. She suffered no injury whatever. -On a Vicksburg church spire a large hawk perched itself upon the cross, and it remained five days. Then some one shot it. The hawk had no sooner failen than another took its place. At latest accounts it still sat

> there to the disturbance of the superstitious. -While John S. Schrock, a wealthy farmer living near Lewisburg, and some friends were on a hunting expedition on Friday their wagon was upset, and one of the guns accidentally discharged its contents into Mr. Schrock, inflicting injuries from which he

has since died. -The daughter of a wealthy Buffalo man quarreled with him and left her home. A large reward was offered for her discovery, and the detectives soon kitchen work in a Detroit family. Her empleyer was loth to give her up, oved such an efficient and industrious ser-

Mary Elizabeth Martin, of Emporia, Ks., tried for the murder of Mrs. Loraine M. Kuger, and who has been feigning ineanity since a verdict of guilty was rendered, has been pronounced same by a competent board of physicians, and sentenxed to be hanged secording to the laws of Kansas, after one rear's imprisonment at hard labor in the penitentiary. The crime was committed for the purpose of obtaining \$5,000 insurance upon the life of the deceased.

rows like a rooster, at least so the Tenneses Some two years ago the dog began to practice this art, just as he had heard the roosters, med every morning as regularly as could be he kept up the practice his head and bringing it lower down as he completes his crow. This story is also youched for by the local elergyman.

-On last Monday morning a daughter of Perry Coon, of Lackswanna township, Mercer county, sged 11 years, was sent by her mother to a neighbor to borrow a household utenell. The neighbors were not at home, the doors all locked, and the child raised a window and was climbing in the house when the sash fell and struck her on the back of the neck. When her mother, alarmed by her long absence, went to look for her she found her lifeless body hanging to the window.

-George L. Huston is building at Parkesburg. Pa., a residence wholly of fron on a foundation of solid rock. The floors will be of polished east fron tiles, in which different qualities of the metal will be used to produce a variety of colors. All the partitions as well as the outer walls will be of iron surface, but so painted and ornamented as to look like wood. In the library will be a cabinet for the exhibition of iron specimens. This will be constructed of magnetized iron so that the specimens will adhere to it by magnetic attraction.

-At Little Rideau, Canada, on January 2. East Hawkesbury, a bired man murdered Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Cooke, also their eldest daughter, and one of their sons. Cooke was murdered with an axe in the barnyard; Mrs Cooke and daughter were strangled in the woodshed, and George, the son, was killed bed, with an axe. Another son, who had his thigh broken, may recover. ske, who came to ber brothers' assistance received a severe wound in the breast, but probably recover. The murderer is

-A week ago last Saturday night Jack Vance, colored, living at Smithton, Westmoreland county, got drunk and quarreled with his wife. He picked up a lighted is mp threw it at her, and struck her on the head Her clothing was saturated with oil and in stantiv she was enveloped in flames, and before assistance arrived she was burned so badly that she died from the effects last Friday evening. Vance was arrested and lodged in jail at Greensburg. From appearance he fully realizes the position he has placed

-The powerful influence which the Catholic. Church can bring to bear upon its ad-herents has just been strikingly litustrated Ten thousand shoe operatives had gone on a strike in that city, and Bishop Fabre, regarding their action as unwarrant ed and ill-advised, and perceiving that it was intended to advocate, issued a pastoral in its condemnation, and enjoined the strikers to return to work. His letter was in due

walnut le result is that the strike has been abandoned.

—News of a deplorable tragedy comes from Monroe county, Missouri. It appears that our weeks ago a young man named Statene got married and took his wife to his mother's house to live. A younger brother viewed the marriage with great disfavor, and after brooding over the matter two weeks, he rose from bed early last Sunday morning, and without dressing, went to his brother's room, shot and killed him while asleep by his wife's abot and killed him while asleep by his wife's and a room of the results of the room of the warranted. Switze, Eline a Co., Wholessia Agents, Philadelphis, and Hall & Recent, New York.

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It is ontirely different from all others. It is as water as water, and and its name indicates, it appreciates are water, Threats of lynching the murderer were made but an investigation of matters develops the

LITERARY FOTINGS

This subject of extertaining and whole-some reading for the family circle is one of practical interest in every household. It cannot be denied that the tendency of the American press is in too large a degree sensationalism, and in some instances even the sentiments of purity and sacredness prove an insuficient barrier against the all-prevading desire of being novel and startling in the presentation of news. The exceptions to the common vule among the metropolitan four pals of the day are so few as to be worthy of notice when encountered. The Chicap Weekly Nesse is one of the few papers of which it may be strictly said that nothing ob jectionable to pure thought and morality ever appears in its columns. It is an enterprising paper - none in the west more so-but more than that it is a clean paper, one that is safe to take into the family circle. The Chicago Weekly News and the CAMBRIA FREEMAN will both be sent to any acdress, for \$2.00 a year, postage included. Bend all aubscriptions to this office.

A CHRISTMAS GIPT. - For several years the ndon Graphic and the London filustrated News have each sent out a costly Pictorial Christmas Number which have been eagerly bought by the people at large in both hemis pheres ; and these great pletorials have come to be regarded as a part of Christmas, and are considered very suitable and much to-be coveted Christmas gifts.

This year Americans have taken up the

dea, and the two largest houses in the book

trade, Messrs, D. Lethrop & Co., of Boston, and Harper & Bros. of New York, have each sent out a "Christmas," which far excels snything that London publishers have ever attempted. There is a greater refine ment and beauty in the illustrations, and the Pa., now 'iving in Iowa, is nearly 107 years stories, poems and articles are all high-class literature. Both are in simple "black and white," but it is said that the letter press and illustrations of the Lothrop's "Christmas"—the Christmus Wide-Awake (Dec. No.)—cost over \$10,000, and that authors and artists, here and abroad, have been busy for a year in its preparation; and the result is well summed up by the Boston Transcript when it says; "The holiday number of the Wide-Aware, just out, is the wonder of all the wonderfully beautiful magazines and books of America. Without dispute, the larg-est, bandsomest, and most artistic and best number of a young people's periodical ever issued." Bound in a new cover in colors, pronounced the finest magazine cover in existence, it contains 144 pages and 150 pictures. Of the letter-press the Boston Traveller says: "No such store of high class literature was over gathered into one number of any BRVES periodical before;" and the critic of the Bos-ton Times says of the Illustrations: "They are genuine works of art, some of them ex-quisitely ideal;" and the Boston Journal adds, enumerating the authors—Mrs. A. D. T. Whitney, Miss Phelps. Rose Terry Cooke, Margaret Sidney, Rose Kingsley, Mrs. Mary D. Brine, Arthur Gliman, George Cary Eggleston, Celia Thaxter, Edward E. Haie, M. L. B., Mrs. Harriet Beecher Stowe, Norah Perry, Mrs. Clara Doty Bates, Mrs. Diaz, Fred A. Ober, Christina Rossetti, Mrs. Mu-lock-Craik, Philip Bourke Marston, Susan Coolidge, Marion Harland, Margaret Preston, Prof. D. A. Sargent, and a dozen or twenty others-"This a brilliant galaxy to be got together between the covers of a single number of a young people's magazine, and when Santa Claus understands that this richly laden number can be bought for twenty-five cents. It would not be strange if he were to order a special edition for his twen ty-fifth-of-December uses;" and we ourselves would add that should this number of the WIDE AWAKE be examined by parents who feel auxious to put into the hands of their young folks a magazine of high literature as pure and stimulating as it is gay and enter-taining, they would secure the periodical for

> FIVE PERSONS BURNED TO DEATE .- A sickening holocaust occurred in Randolph county, W. Va., on Christmas night. Adam Currence, an industrious and estimable citiwife and six children, twenty miles south of Beverly, on the western slope of Chest Mountain. Mr. Channel, a near with some complicated disease, which required the attendance of same one day and night. Mr. Currence had been very tive to him, going over at night and sitting to remain at home on Christmas night. His wife took the two smallest children and went to sit up with Channel. Late in the night persons at Channel's discovered that Currence's house was on fire. Those who could do so left immediately for the scene of the fire including Mrs. Currence. By the time they reached the house the building had fa and was consuming Currence and four of his children. The sickening sight of five human beings roasting before them was more than the stoutest beart could stand, ut it was impossible to render assistance. Mrs. Currence, frantic with grief, rushed into the figures to save her children, but was rescued after receiving It is not known how the fire originated.

tired, being nearly worn out from loss of sleep, he fell into a heavy slumber, and that while in that condition a log fell from the fire and rolled on to the floor.

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GRAPE CULTURE AND PORT WINE Mr. A. Speer, of New Jersey, one of the largest grape producers in the East, commenced, but a few years age, in a small way, to make wine from currents, blackberries and other fruits. He now controls large vineyards of the Oporto grape, from which his famous Port Grape wine is made, and which chemists and physicians say rivals the world for its beneficial effects on weakly and aged persons, and consumptives. For sale by E. James, Ebensburg. ---

A Userun Cow .- Richmond (Ky.) Register : A colored man in the vicinity of White's milt has a cow that serves more purposes than most cows. She gives milk and raises caives like other cows, and when her proprietor desires to make a journey be buckles on a saddle and rides her like a horse. it is necessary to go tojmili the sacks of grain are sut on her back and a rope is put on her borns, and she is led to mill. of water is to be bauled she is hitched to a sled and the water is soon brought. Although this cow is decidedly useful, we cannot say that she is intensely ornamental.

-Miss Annie E. Chaffee, aged 37 years, years, committed suicide on Thursday at Providence, R. I., by taking arsenic, and Robert Ford, aged 78 years, killed bimself in the same clay by cutting his throat.

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