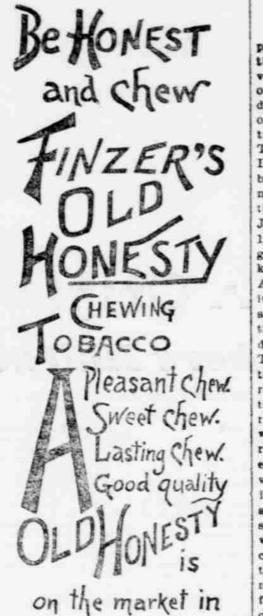
Mongolian Coffins.

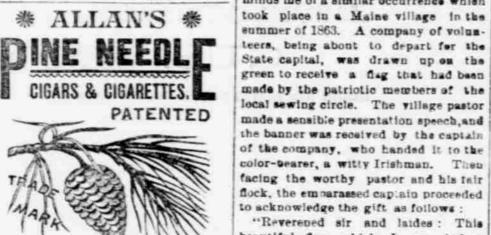
The heaviest wooden coffies used in the world are those of the Chinese, and coffinmaking is one of the leading industries in everyChinese city, Coffins cost all the way from \$5 to \$55,000, and your rich; Mandarin will have his burial casket lacquered inside and out, and his funeral will cost a small fortune. If he is over sixty he will keep his coffic on hand, so as to have it ready in case of his death ; and if he has a dutiful son this coffin may possibly be a birthday gift from the boy. Many an old Chinaman keeps his coffin in his parlor. The wood of the Chinese coffin is from four to six inches thick, and a coffin weighs hundreds of pounds. It is usually carried on a sort of frame work of poles to the grave, and it is accompanted by a band of music and p ofession. al mourners. The man is laid at full length within it and a lot of stuff is buried with it. Each of his nearest relatives is supposed to bring a silk coverlet to put over the body, and a dozen stik quiits are sometimes packed in above the corpse. The thing that the corpse liked most in life is buried with him, and many Chinamen save the parings of their nails and the combings of their hair in order that they may be put at their feet when they lie in their coffins. In the mouth of the body a piece of gold or silver or copper is placed. It is dressed in silk and is often decked with jewels.

Grave robbing is so severely punished in China that there is little danger of the coffin heing disturbed. In case the family is too poor to own a burlal mound or to stand the expenses of the funeral, the coffin is kept in the house until they can raise money enough to put it under the ground in good style. A tutor employed at the American legation in Peking has had the coffia containing his father's body in his house for at least two years, and he has not yet been able to raise enough money to bury it. Before he picks out a burfal spot he will, like all Chinamen, get a fortune-teller to choose a lucky place for him, and he will go periodically to the grave and burn some paper money over it and some suits of paper clothes to keep the spirit of his father warm, and will place some food before it that his father may have a ghostly feast during the night. Japanese coffios are often made of burnt clay in the shape of large jars. The body is all doubled up when it is squeezed Into the coffin. and it is huried in a sitting posture. The coffics of Japanese babies are little pine boxes, and in the case of the poorer classes it is not uncommon to pack them fuil of lime in order that the bodies may decay more quickly. Sometimes tubs of pine booped with bamboo are used for coffins, and the coffins are broken with the spade of the undertaker as he puls them in the earth. The Burmess coffin is a flimsy affair made of the lightest wood nailed roughly together. In the case of the richer dead it is covered with gilt paper, and it is carried to the grave with fantastic dances and doleful music. The fuperal ceremonies are much the same as the Chinese, and for seven days after the burnal the famity sit on the ground and sleep upon mais. All over the East this same morlification of the flesh is practiced by the relations of the dead, and grief for departed friends is fully as bitter in Asia as in the United States,



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The Cedars of Lebanon. The cedars of Mount Lebanon are, perhaps, the best known monuments in

the world. Distinguished men have w sited them, and their story is told over and over again. There are grave doubts, however, whether the cedar so often mentioned in the Bible was the tree now called the Cedar of Lebanon. There is no doubt that the cedars of Lebanon in more modern times have been the objects of veneration. The most experienced observer who has seen the cedars en Mount Lebanon is Sir Joseph Hooker, who visited Syria in 1860 for the purpose of examining the grove, in regard to which little was known scientifically up to that time. An account of this visit was published in the Natural History Review in Janusry, 1862, with the author's views upon the specific rank and the origin of the different species or forms of the genus. The number of trees is about 400, and these are disposed in nine groups, corresponding with as many ham wocks of the range of moraines. They are of various sizes, from about 18 inches to apward of 40 feet in girth ; but the most remarkable and significant fact connected with their sime, and consequently with the age of the grove, is that there is no tree of less than 18 inches girth, and no young trees, bushes or even seedlings of a second year's growth. It was supposed, until comparatively recent times, that all the cedars left upon the earth were in the famous grove, but now they are known to occur upon different chains of the Taurus, where with other trees, they form extensive forests; while as late as 1865 Mr. Jesup. au American missionary, discovered five large groves in the Lebanon liself, three east of Ain Zahalteh, in the southern Lebanon, one of which was said to contain 100.000 trees. Other groves were also discovered at this time, so that upon the Lebanon alone the cedar is known in ten distinct localities.

The Acme of Valor. The presentation of an American fag to the grammar school of Bangor reminds me of a similar occurrence which took place in a Maine village in the summer of 1863. A company of volumteers, being about to depart for the State capital, was drawn up on the

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How Whisky Was Discovered.

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city now and then. I met one of them

driving a street-car on the Eighth Ave-

nue Line last night. He is a Welshman

Some quaint characters can be found

little fissk to carry away. In a week the monk had more friends than an alderman with a pull. The people almost took his arm off shaking hands. They built him a fine little stone house and he could have founded a monastary and grown rich, but he wouldn't, but kept on making the whisky until he died.

died. "Where did I learn that ?" said the old man, after he had paused to say weekly paper, bringing him in close touch with the whole world of business, industry, finance, legislation and politics. something saresstic about a woman who wanted the car to stop on the wrong side of the crossing. "Why, there side of the crossing. "Why, there

attending a theatrical performance. HOW TO GET IT London, saw a lady drop her gramme from the box she occupied. -AND-. I picked it up," he goes on to rela WHERE TO GET IT. and handed it to her. She was great swell, I could see, and I bail that she looked at me preity h 'Hullo,' thinks I, 'I guess I've male mash.' . I had on a bang up suit an looked pretty natty. Bo I looked a my lady again with a sort of half en Just then the curtain went down and out a peer. Its hickon department will control to be one the most attractive in the control of the serial movels for which contracts she made a beckoning motion with he bead. 'Abs !' I says to myself, sith made an impression on her royals : leaned forward and I'll be stnushed is to palp if she didn't hand me a sa pence.

THE NEWS

OF THE DAY

" 'What's this for I' said I. " 'Ab, you were kind enough ; hand me my programme,' she said. "Well, you can bet I was mad. " 'Excuse me madam,' said I, pot ting the coin on the edge of the box. 'I am an American !"

Gallantry Rewarded.

Billy Emerson, the minstrel, wi

The Hottest Spot on Earth.

The hottest region on the earth is a the southwestern coast of Persia, when Persia borders the gulf of the same name. For forty consecutive daya's the months of July and August, if thermometer has been known not fail lower than 100 degs. night or day and to run up as high has 128 degs in the afternoon. At Babrin, in the center of the torrid telt, as though h were nature's intention to make the region as unbearable as possible, to water can be obtained from digging wells 100. 200 or even 500 feet deep, ye a comparatively numerous population contrive to live there, thanks to copion springs which break forth from the bot tom of the gulf, more than a mile from score. The water from these spring is obtained by divers, who dive to the bottom and fill goatskin bags with the cooling liquid and sell it for a living. The source of these submarine four. tains is thought to be in the green biof Osman, some 500 of 800 miles away

Fish From Underground.

A fish story comes from Santa Res. Cal. : A well has been dug on the

The Dwarfs of Central Africa.

The fact now seems clearly demonstrated that at various spots across the great African continent, within a few degrees north and south of the equator. extending from the Atlantic coast to near the shores of the Albert Nyanza, and perhaps even further to the east. are scrattered communities of these small negross, all much resembling each other in size, appearance and habits, and dwelling mostly apart from their larger neighbors, by whom they are everywhere surrounded. Our information about them is still very scanty. and to obtain more would be a worthy object of ambition for the scientific traveler. In many parts, especially at the West, they are obviously holding their own with difficuly, if not actually disappearing, and there is much about their condition of civilization and the situations in which they are found to induce us to look upon them, like the Bushwen of South Africa and the equally diminutive Negritos of the Indo-Malayan region, as the remains of a population which occupied the land before the incoming of the present domleant races. If the account of the Nasamonians be accepted as historical, the river they came to, flowing from west to east, must have been the N ger, and the nor bward range of the dwarfish people was far more extensive twentythree centuries ago than it is at the present time.



A est has nine lives and occasional-Ty a kit-ten.

Pan-America-one they fry beefsteak in.

A swallow tail-The story of Jonah and the whale.

A man who wants to get at the root of a matter is not necessarily a hog. The eyes are the windows of the soul.

but most of us have pains elsewhere. Tramps are very much like cheap print goods. They won's wash, but

will rnn. It is strange that the man who is dead in love with himself should be hated by everybody who knows him.

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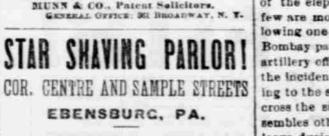
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color-bearer, a witty Irishman. Then facing the worthy pastor and his thir flock, the emparassed capiain proceeded to acknowledge the gift as follows : "Reverened sir and laides : This

beautiful flag which I see before "It's behind yez, captain," interrupt

ed the color-bearer. "Which I see behind me," amended the blushing officer, "stands for some-

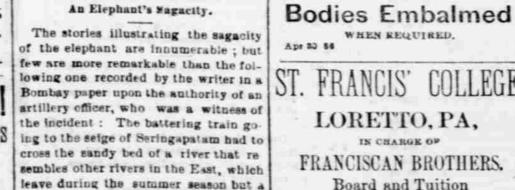
thing more than the emblem of a powerful nation. I is beau y's tribute to valor, and as such it is doubly dear to the gallant hearts around me. In thanking you for your gift, ladies, we pledge ourselves faithfully to defend it. At the close of the campaign, these of us who are spared, will bring this flag back to you, untres it is blown to stoms by shot from the enemy, in which event

we'll-we'll-" "We'll bring thim back the pole !" shouted the enthusiastic Irishman, to the delight of the crowd and the relief of the superior officer.

Facts for Farmers. The Lancaster Examiner says: "The transportation question is one of sverpressing importance to the farmers everywhere ; the cost of getting their products to market is a matter of deep concern. It is a great mistake, however, to begin and end with the items of railway freights. There are other items which enter into the calculation, and not the least important is the expense of getting grain and other products from the farm to the railway station. "An exchange reports that very careful estimates have been made by Mattresses, &c., professed experts, who have reached the conclusion that the average cost of hauling 100 bushels of grain one mile over country roads is 60 cents. That is

to say, it costs the farmer 20 cents a ton others wishing to purchase honest FURNI-TURE, &c., at honest prices are respectfully per mile to haul his grain from the farm to the point of shipment. The invited to give us a call before buying clseaverage cost of hauling 100 bushels of mast sure confident that we can wheat one mile by rail is one-third cent; Prices the very lawest. [4-16-'80-tf.] so that, with very libersl allowance for errors of calculation as to the cost of teaming, it costs as much to carry a crop of wheat from the farm to the rail

way station as it does to carry it to market by rail. Here is a most potent argument in favor of better country roads. Millions migh. be saved anunally to the farmers of the United States if they could only be induced to improve the highways which connect their farms with the shipping points by river, rail and canal. Bid roads cost them a great deal more than they have any conception of.



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monk was an Englishman., an' the only time an Irishman is ever a friend to an Englishman is when the Englishman has the bottle.'

" 'Ah' said the Irishman, 'be off wid ye. The first time trishmen ever saw whisky was at the pattie of Ballymacleugh, where the Saxons put up a bad job on 'em. It was but a short time after the days of St. Patrick and five thousand Irishmen came down upon the English and would have ate 'em but for their thricks: The Eoglish filled the trenches wid buckets of whicky, and the Irishmen dronk it an got to fighting among themselves, and Gaston's Prestoline, that is the way the Englishman first bate us and brought throuble on Ire land.

" "Yes,' said the Euglishman, 'you WONDERFUL METAL POLISH, give an Irishman a drink an' he'il fight his own father." BRASS, COPPER, BRONZE, NICKEL, &c.

"' 'An' if an' Englishman offers a It will clean Metals with less labor than any man a drink look out for him, he wants preparation ever produced, giving a brilliant justre which cannot be equaled, and which will to do'im, moind that,' said the Irishhast longer than any polish obtained by othes means. Sold by the man.

"An' that's the way they kept it up HARDWARE AND GROCERY STORES. all the way down the street, said the driver

"They were both good-natured and when they got off it was to take a drink and wait for the next car."

Cowhide Horseshoes.

In England, and on many paris of the continent, they have been for a long time using the Yates horseshoe, one made by compressing common cowhide. It is compressed of three thicknesses of the cowskin pressed into a steel mold and then subjected to a chemical preparation. It is claimed for it that it is the held as strictly private and confidential, and that hey will be treated as liberally as good that split hoofs are never known in much lighter, that it lasts longer and horses using it. It is perfectly smooth on the bottom, no calks being required, IOHN T. BLAIR, the shoe adhering firmly on the most polished surface. Its elasticity prevents many sprains, the horses' steps being lighter and surer. Straw treated, with chemicals unknown, has been used for horseshoes for centuries in Japan Perhaps some American genius will give us a paper horsesboe. - who knows ?

iving prices. Set No penitentiary work either made or sold at this establishment. A SOUTH CAROLINA man who was TIN ROOFING & SPECIALTY curious to know just how much stuff an curioss to know just how much stuff an alligator could get away with when he Erensburg, April 13, 1883-ti. felt well fed out the hind quarter of a

ally the bucket is drawn up buil full of fich. No subterraneen inlet to the well has yet been discovered. The well is about 15 miles from the ocean . - di chain of mountains intervens. This a reminder of the wonderful evelop fish that were swimming in the ha water of the lower levels of the Savage mines some years ago, and for specimens of which a number of eastern

scientists sent orders to Superintende ent Osbiston. WISCONSIN has a law requiring the extermination of the Canada this h. burdock, oxeye daisy, toudday, corkis, bur, sow thistle and dock, and hoden city mayors, town officers and weed commissioners to a strict accountabilty, under heavy penalties, for negled to carry out its provisuons. It is made the duty of the clerk of each town to read the act aloud to the town board at #

every annual menting.

A NOVEL method of determining the emperature of the pir at great beights has been proposed by a Garman physicist, and it is to be adopted by the Berlin Society for Ballooning, Small balloons are seat up at night, each provided with a thermometer arranged t flashes of light by the clealing of an electric circuit when certain temperatures are reached. A so-called "photo theodolite" is affected by the light, and gives a photographic record of the 'emperatures, while the corresponding altitudes are indicated in a mechanical way. A more accurate idea of the rait of decrease of temperature with height

is expected from this method.

THE growth of racing in the United States has been phenomenal. Ten year ago, or in 1879, the total money more for amounted to \$308,836, and this sum included the owners' entrance many to stakes and purses. Last year the jockey clubs bung; up the princely sus of \$2 379,192, over \$2 000,000 mon than was raced for in 1870, and \$500. 000 in excess of 1888. No less that 4,939 races were run last year. This extraordinary growth of racing has is creased the value of home-brid stack. and whereas a few years ago \$3,000 w/s considered a high price for the pick of the most renowned breeding farms at much as \$38,000 was paid for a yearing -

in 1888. IN Algeria every girl born of native parents is tattooed on her forehead between the eyebrows and just at the roll of the nose with a cross formed of say. P eral straight lines of small stars running close together. These allow it matks are a dark blue color, Algorial women are also considerably failord on the backs of their hands, that foreatm and chests, as well as their at od-

and the public in general to the fact that he is still carrying on business at the old stand opposite the Mountain House, Ebensburg, and is prepared to bracelets and flowers strung together. As a rule, women are the operators, and it is principally on children between the ages of seven and eight that . C they have to exercise their art. Thef 6 use sometimes a needle, but more frequently a Barbary fig-tree thorn

