Hooked an Octopus.

Probably it is not generally known that the octopus, or devil fish, frequently of a targe size, is found on the coast of Mississippi and Louisiana. Possibly the first instance on record of one of these fish, and one of large size at that, having taken a hook, came within the experience of three residents of New Orleans a few years since.

Gen, Philip Buchanan, Lieut, Col. E. C. Fenner and Major Harry Howard, now Mayor of Beloxi, Miss., started from that place in the yacht of Major Howard for Ship Island on a fishing expedicion. Fast northeast of that island in about eight fathoms of water, hes the wreck of the Josephine, now marked by a buoy.

Although the vessel proper has been almost entirely covered with sand, by careful sounding the location of the walking beam may to found. On anchoring near the spot a day of good fishing is assured the angler. The wrecked steamer has formed a barrier or shelter, about which the fish seem to gather, and at certain tides, no matter what other conditions may prevail, the abundance of fish makes it almost drudgery to attend the lines. No sooner has the book reached the required depth than it is seized by a large and voracious fish, generally a red snapp r, which is a gallant fighter.

It was in August that the fishermen above mentioned, accompanied by two saliors, in a yawl, anchored over the wreck of the Joraphine. Col. Fenner, who has a predilection for taking sharks of large size, had with him, as usual, an inch line, ten or -lifteen fathoms in length equipped with a hook of suitable size for sharks. This was baited with a piece of salt pork and thrown overboard, where it remained undisturbed for a long time. The line was recured to one of the thwarts of the t at. The fishing was as good as usual and all were having good luck, when at intion was called to the shark line, which was running out with great speed. The rapidity of its movement indicated some fish of excptional size.

The five men had hardly time to throw themselves to the side of the. craft opp ite the line, when the fish. which was firmly hooked, bore the Loat down so that the gunwale was partly submerged. For coveral moments its occupants expected that it would be dragged broadside under by the strain. Their first impulse was to cut the line. but this was oppused by one or two of the party, who wished to use the end of the adventure.

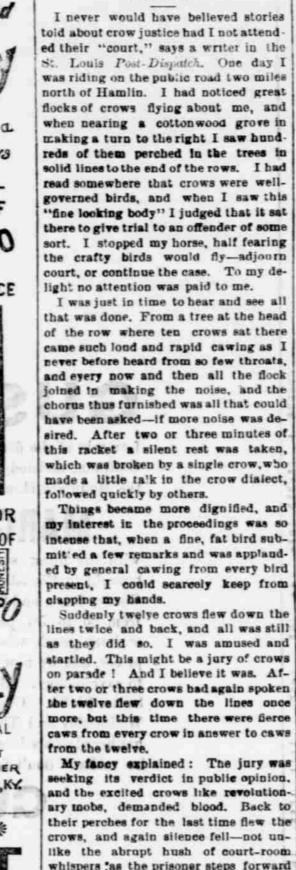
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like the abrupt hush of court-room whispers as the prisoner steps forward to learn the worst. But I could distinguish no criminal. As I looked for the poor fellow there was a great, angry caw from every crow, and all flew to the center of the line, where, as I live, they tore three of their kind in shreds, leaving only a few feathers to float upward and out of sight they separated and noiselessly fley

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toes is materially reduced whenever I have planted badly sprouted seed. It is quite reasonable to believe that tubers that have exhausted a portion of their vitality and substance is a warm cellar before they are planted cannot be as efficient in the production of a new crop as they would be if they had been stored in a cool place where the sprouting would not have occurred. Of course the early and the late varieties differ in this particular, but wherever it occurs, it can hardly be otherwise than that such potstoes become greatly depreciated for seed.

"I know very many scarcely give this a thought, but if they will retard the germination of their seed potatoes by keeping them in a place cool enough to prevent it until planting time, they will have an earlier and more vigorous growth and a larger crop. We know that potatoes grown in Maine and nor hern sections are firmer and superior to those raised further south, and no doubt one of the reasons is that their seed is unsprouted, from having been kept in a colder climate until their naturally late Spring before it is put into the ground. When seed potatoes from the east and north are received by merchants here for sale in the Spring, they show none of the long sprouts that are so common on those we keep ourselves."

Cats That Catch Fish.

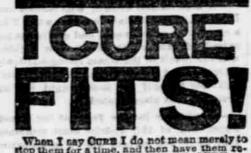
tor in the tower like station at the West Jersey and Atlantic City railroad cross ing. He is surrounded by miles of sait meadows, and has no human society. Some time ago a large cat. crossed the meadows and sought the tower. Long welcomed her warmly, Situated as he is, she would have been hospitably received had she been a polecat instead of a household tabby. In a few days she presented him with three lively kittens, and he proceeded to. make provision for the whole family, With a small hand net be caught scores of little fish in the shallow ponds that dot the meadows, and, putting them into a tub, he supplied them to the cat fresh every day. But as the kittens grew toward | maturity they wanted more food, and their host was not able to catch enough fish to satisfy them.



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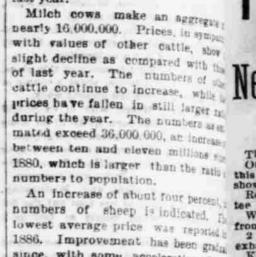
For a week the mother brooded over this difficulty, and then she found a

Farm Animals in the United Stat.

A late report of the Department Ct Agriculture, which relates to the and values of farm animals, show increase of horses during the year yond the increase of population. aggregate numbers exceed 14.09 In the cotton States the use of To Gu poples by tenants still tends to ine numbers and reduce average with The improvement in the central s from blood of Percherons, C. bays, and English shires continu five. Horse ranches in the 7 Mountains are improving the stop that region. The increase of support hat region. I be prices were by post in recent years, while prices were by do. tide of values, which are nearly on it ve where lower than in January last. Mules have also increased, and a estimated at about two and a the millions, held slightly lower prices

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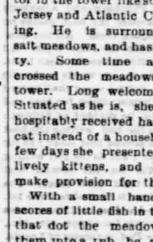


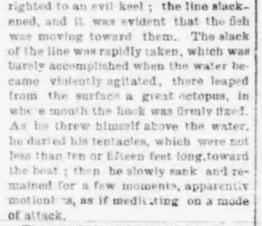
last year.

since, with some acceleration duty by the past year, as a result of great confidence of growers in holding t American market for wool The increase in swine has been Lac The average price has declined, at 1 the case of al. other kinds of farm a Silk

mals, sheep slone excepted. The Great Hudson's Bays.

A Canadian surveyor who wates gaged in an official expedition to He son's Bay in 1885 and 1880 says he people have any idea of the resources this great sea. Its shores are the ham of the musk ox, the moose, the reinder the red deer, the white bear and h black brother, the otter, the beaver, is mink, the black fox, also the silter ray and white varieties and out my valuable fur-bearing suimals. waters are teening with the most va. able varities of water mammals a fish. He has seen the bay as for ast eye could reach appear one undulate





The condition of the fishermen was now somewhat critical, for they were entirely unprovided with any weapons except a couple of ours with which to repel the attack of the monster, and yet they was spawilling to detach the line from the thwart. There was nothing to do but to await developments. Indeed, there was little time for consultation or action. for, after a brief delay, the octopus again slowly arose to the sufface, where, with his head slightly elevated, he togan beating the water with his tentack . He was apparently alodying the extraordinary adversary which he had encountered. A third time he dis opeared, and this time with a florce rust. The line flow over the side of the boat with great velocity. The fithermen again threw them: lyes to the opposite ride and awaited the shock. When it came the line, unable to hear the strain, parted at the thwarts |

and disappeared. A Monster Freight Car.

At the Fitchburg Ballrond car shops in East Fitchburg, Mass., one of the largest and strongest flat freight cars ever built for the road has just been finished. It is a special car built to carry a large wire cable weighing 60,600 H from Worcenter to a mine near Denver. Col. The car is 23 feet long, 8 feet Et inches wide, has eight alls running lengthways, each dox11 inches, end sills 9x9 mehes. The floor of the car is covored with 2 inch oak plank. It has two trucks with three pairs of wheels each -the trucks and journals weigh about twice as much as those on a common car. The axle is 5 inches in diameter, the bearings 4 x9 inches: the tads, two to each truck, are made of oak timbers bolted together with two } inch flat irous between, making a solid bed 9x13 inches square. The swing log is made in a similar manner, with heavy flat irons, between, making the log Sx6; inches square. The center bolt is two inches in diameter. There are fourteen trusses on each tod that have each a capacity of holding 24 tons. The car is supported underneath by four heavy bolaters, strongly bolted to the sills with flat irons, 1x5 inches. The cepter tharing, which revis on the center bed. two heavy iron trasses made of 3x5 inch flat iron. The truck and journals are all more than double the size and weight of those on a common car. The car is equipped with the Westinghouse

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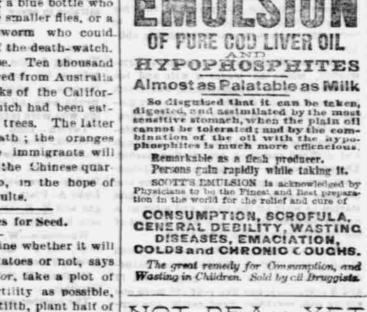




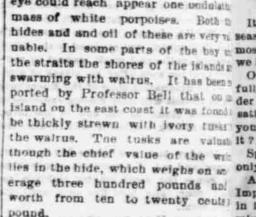
remedy for it. Like a father who laboriously studies Greek in order that he may teach his son to read Homer, DNDEREI New Jan she first accustomed herself to cold baths and then led or pushed the kittens into the water. Now the tub has been returned to its old place under the water spout, and the four cats do their own fishing. They are very expert anglers, and spend hours every day in the frigid ponds capturing their prey with claws and teeth.

A New Use for Insects. The use of the insects for sport has

Gaston's Prestoline, hitherto been confined to more or less successful imitations of their bodies and wings. We do not know that they have had any serious industrial purpose, un-WONDERFUL METAL POLISH, less the weevils of the ship-biscuit and the mites of the cheese may be counted. BRASS, COPPER, BRONZE, NICKEL, &c. What work they did in the economy o It will clean Metals with less labor than any nature, as of bees carrying pollen and reparation ever produced, giving a brilliant stre which cannot be equaled, and which will fire infectious matter, Darwanism has ast longer than any polish obtained by other means. Sold by the sufficiently advertised. But Lord Wal singham announces another departure HARDWARE AND GROCERY STORES. to the Entomological Society, which is not new among the vertebrates, though scott's it is to the insects. We are familiar enough with the idea of cats catching of manufacturing for the domes- mice, terriers worrying rats, hounds de vouring foxes, and being set aside for that purpose. As yet we have not succeeded in introducing a blue bottle who could chase away the smaller flies, or perambulating wood worm who could silence the sounds of the death-watch But there is still hope. Ten thousand parasites were conveyed from Australia and put upon the backs of the Californian scale insects, which had been est-We challenge comparison with ing up all the orange trees. The latter every known product of petrol- were worried to death ; the oranges were saved, and the immigrants will probably he sent into the Chinese quar-Most : Uniformly : Satisfactory : Oils ter of San Francisco, in the hope of achieving similar results. Whole Polatoes for Seed.







The Ringing of Curtew.

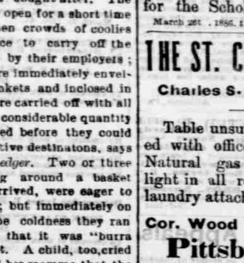
The Curfew bell of Old England cen f course peculiar to all America A readers, but it may not be general Wo known that the custom of ringing N still obtains in many of the old town inc Belts were at first chiefly med t ecclesiastical purposes. The ringing ing Curfew was probably one of the earlie incl departures from its use. The Curls A was introduced into England by Alfr stri the Great. When the University 5 Oxford, previously founded by a cen Frideswide, was restored by King A. N fred to all its former dignity, auto other regulations he ordered that a be up should be rung at 8 o'clock in th can evening, when all should cover the C fires and go to bed. The hearths w Jot open, and to remove the wood and to Ap the ashes over the burning cinders = * 1 sufficient, as the smount of ashes all ed to "bank up" behind and at itses was considerable. The custom is : unpracticed by the modern Americ

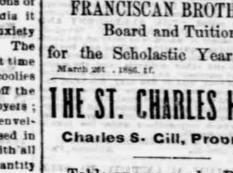
A Neat Trick.

settler.

A pony glass of whisky and a par glass of water are placed side by side both glasses brimming full, and a wag made that the liquids can be made change glasses without pouring sith of them out. If the wager is as white a thin card is placed over the glass water and held tightly on it while # turned upside down and placed on 1 of the pony whiskey. The card is the carefully showed aside until one cod : it is a bair's breadth beyond the rims the glasses and the whisky will the work itself slowly into the upper gas the water descending to the low Care should be taken that both gies are full to running over, and the CE should be thin and moved aside to slightly, or the opportunity for capile attraction, on which the perfect compa tion of the trick depends, will be in-

No one will deny that great of should be observed in selecting PF corn to plant, and yet pumbers farmers never see their seed corn un it is carried to the field at planting time. We think that the best plan to place a barrel in a corner of the ma and throw in it every large and vige ous ear. Shell off two inches at 12 large ends in order to get the large and most prolific grains. These produce large and healthy plants that grow much more rapidly than the plate





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