Floating. Hand in hand, on the river of time,

We go floating down together ; Soft are the blue skies above our heads, Balmy the spring time weather.

Brightly the waters reflect the sun, As we glide in dreamy splendor ; Softly the breezes fill our sails, Murmuring low and tender.

Sweet are the bird songs upon the shores-Enchanting the scene around us ; With noiseless feet steal the moments by Since Cupid, the love god, crowned us.

Oh, do you think, in the after years With the glory of youth departed, We then shall stand still hand in hand, And heart to heart, as we started ?

The Policeman's Story.

A TEMPERANCE PLEA.

I am a policeman 12,004 ; Been on the force for years a score Lots of stories I have to tell, Queer, sad, terrible, funny, and-well, I'll stop to tell you a little thing That happened a year ago last spring

Weary, but watchful, I paced my beat, Up and down thro' a well-known street, When, a block away, I saw a throng, And hasten'd to see what was wrong. There I found a wee, wee girl, Dainty and pretty, fair hair in curl. Weeping, her hands in air she toss'd, Crying : "Oh, mamma, Oh, papa, I's lost ! One moment she wept, another she smiled, And I thought of my own pet darling child At home, and safe in her mother's arms ; so I tried to quiet this one's alarms ; And first her sunny head I caress'd, Then lifted her up to my beating breast And carried her, sobbing, sweet little fav, To the station house, only two blocks away.

Captain Caffry was then in command, He took the lost baby girl by the hand, And, sitting her up on the desk by his side, Pleasantly talked till no longer she cried.

THE CENTRE REPORTER.

FRED. KURTZ, Editor and Proprietor.

Thaxton's gate, the front door was instantly opened, for my mother had been watching for me. She came out, and Miss Grace followed her down the pathway. She had hastly thrown a thick wrap of Mrs. Thax ton's over her shoulders, and she shivered as she leaned on the gate. I though ther more beautiful than ever, and my heart beat the to the series of block. It is really beyond my endurance, "Mr. Lyons," Her voice was faint and low. I bent my head to hear, "Unless we can reach shelter soon, I shall be obliged to vield. It is really beyond my endurance, "I could not speak; my heart was weeping through the unknown wilderness that lies between your house and this. If I didn't thank you at the time, Mr. Lyons, I was now the less grateful." I stood like the witless dung I was, not knowing what to say; I was too vividly conscious of the touch of those fingers to have had even my usual self-possession at my command. My mother relieved me by peaking. "Indeed, I did not know he had seen you?"

peaking. "Indeed, I did not know he had seen you ---he had never mentioned you to me; and in such a little village as this we are always interested in new comers."

She laughed. "That is unfortunate; I am to suppose that I was not of sufficient importance to be mentioned." My straining eyes were at last rewarded by the faint glimmer of a light through the structure of a light through the through the faint glimmer of a light through the through the faint glimmer of a light through the structure of the faint glimmer of a light through the through

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THE MINISTERIAL BUREAU.

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ASIA MINOR AND EUROPE --- SCENE OF WAR. An Intelligence Office in New York [for Preachers Who are Out of Employment.] 0 "Yes," said the Rev. Charles C. Goss to the reporter of a New York paper, "a A ministerial bureau is an oddity in our country; but it is none the less a neces-2 the world without the immediate oppor-tunity of locating themselves comforta-ROUM UCHAREST "Have you had many applications from churches ?" "Very few so far, for the reason, K A B MAT RAD Report of the second second CONSTANTINOPL Pieasantly talked till no longer she cried,
But dried up her tears, and soon, smiling and gas,
Wy mother was now in the carriage. If the function of the ruth, Miss Grace, I was alwared and told of her beautiful mamma, her joys,
How she heard a wandering German band play,
How she heard a wandering German band play,
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How she heard a wandering derman band play,
Bopy'd when they stopp'd, and cross'd when
they cross'd.
Grew tired, cried for home, and then found she
was lost.
The door of the station house open'd just then,
Admitting a "drunk" between two of our men,
Not dirty and ragged, and spoiling for fight,
But what you might term a "respectable tight,"
With the traffic and ther tothe with the New York that ?" churches with pastors, or of introducing unemployed preachers to trustees and other employing authorities, is 'of itself an extensive one. But I propose to make S

service has been secured, and Postmas- FARM, GARDEN AND HOUSEHOLD. DEADWOOD AND ITS PEOPLE.

THE INVASION OF TURKEY.

The Russians Defeated in the First Engage-ment-All Europe Preparing to Arm-General News of the War.

The newspapers of Constantinople reon the Asiatic frontier, near Ardahan, which is on the road from the stronghold which is on the road from the stronghold Kars to Batoum on the Black sea. The Bussians were compelled to fall back. Fresh skirmishing occurred at Gumro, in the vicinity of Kars, but no important engagement has yet been fought. The Russian army at that point is under the command of the Grand Duke Michael, a younger brother of Nicholas, and a more experienced officer. Multar Pasha is the Turkish general. Bafvet Pasha has sent the following dispatch to the Turkish ambassador at

atch to the Turkish ambassador a London:

"The first engagement has just been fought at Tehurukson, near Batoum. After some fighting, the enemy was de-feated and put to rout with the loss of

800.' It is expected that a state of siege will It is expected that a state of slege will shortly be proclaimed in Constantinop la. The Turkish troops are reported to have crossed the Danube at Widdin and occupied Kalafat. The greater part of the Russian troops are moving in the direction of Bulgrad, on the Pruth to apparently secure a

on the Pruth, to apparently secure a passage through the Dobrudscha, which, it is stated, is expected to be the object of the principal attack. It is thought doubtful that the Turks will be able to sity. Preachers are often thrown upon bly, and churches are almost as frequently left without pastors. It is my hope that through the agency of this bureau many of these mutual wants may be suparrive in time to prevent the passage of the Russian army. The telegraph lines between Roumania and Turkey are in-

terrupted. The number of Russians who have en-"Very few so far, for the reason, perhaps, that I had not advertised the project."

perhaps, that I had not advertised the project." "Is there a reasonable prospect that you will meet with success in your un-dertaking?" "That, of course, is a question of time. Educational bureaus seem to suc-ceed, labor bureaus are not all failures, and I have heard that one or two matri-monial bureaus are meeting with excel-lent encouragement. Why should not a ministerial bureau succeed, dealing, as it thousands of preachers?" "There must be a wide field for you to work in." "Yes ; the business of supplying churches with pastors, or of introducing unemployed preachers to trustees and

town as friends. A Vienna dispatch states that the Roumanian prefect of Kalafat has been instructed to receive the Turks as friends. instructed to receive the Turks as friends. The first battle may be expected to take place at Tultcha, in the Dobrudscha, on the south bank of the Danube, forty miles from its mouth, where the attempt of the Russians to cross may be looked for very shortly. A Pesth special says it is feared that a Russian column has passed over the Danube near Gladowa, in northeastern Servia apparently an attempt to flank the bureau a medium of exchange be tween pastors; an agency through which

In that elegant form with its sweeping in the source of th before seen. I went back to wood-cutting with the memory of that face and voice diffusing a glow over my thoughts that was "Is she?"

as strange as it was enchanting. I do not know why I did not mention the lady at the supper Lable that night, but I did not. After supper Jane Dunlap, a maiden of fifty, came in with her knitting. There had never yet been a time, since she had reached mature years, that she did not know the full particulars of the minutest

has come on home with his only child. She has come out to stay awhile with her annt. She was born in India, and though she is rery polite and wel-b haved, you'd see in a minute that she doesn't appear just like

with her last sentence. I wanted my mother to ask questions, for I was not going to look up from my book or become interest.d

at all. "Let me see," said my mother, "I have forgotton what Deacon Thaxton's wife's name was. She was handsome in her day, I remember---and she is sort of smart look-U and this this grand. You see it's beginning to snow, and a snow storm is still ing now, I think."

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minute that she doesn't appear just like ople here". Miss Dunlap paused. I fully agreed familiar with the fierce cold of our winters.

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up from my book or become interest d the sunny East this must be almost unen-at all.

Night and the storm came on apace. My

might proud--unbecoming in a deacon's wife. Her name was Grace---Martha snow. We had reached that part of our Grace; you know Thaxton was most crazy after her." Miss Dunlap paused, and looked into the free L thought I know that be d a with the side of the side

fire. I thought I knew she had a spite to fear it myself, and felt it, too, accustomed Washington, as the result of his own nre. I thought I knew she had a spite against the deacon for being bewitched by Martha Grace, when she herself was in the bloom of youth. She commenced knitting "This girl's father is in Boston about some business, and she is going to stay here the waste it intensity. Miss Grace had the source of the spite as the result of his own was to its intensity. Miss Grace had her. She raised her eyes to mine. "I feared you might be feeling the fects of this cold," I said. "How does it affect you?" "when she herself the top as the result of his own maintained until nearly all the early practices in the civil service was aban-doned. The theory of the rule is that a residence of more than eight years abroad tends to denationalize the most

say eighteen, gallons a season, and of sugar not over four pounds. That is, eighteen quarts of sap make a pound; consequently there were boiled, about Brattleboro, to make 70,000 pounds of about sugar, 1,260,000 quarts of sap, which were the yield of 17,500 trees. Suppos-ing that, the country through, there are 100 places where as much sugar is made as about Brattleboro, then a total of 31,survivors of them or their successors, 500,000 gallons of sap is drawn every spring. No doubt this is far less do, as soon after my decease as convespring. No doubt this is far less than the actual amount, yet it would weigh about 252,000,000 pounds or 126, 000 tons, and would make a far greater liquid mass than some of the reservoirs that have, in bursting, caused such disaster in the past few years. A pound of wood burned raises twenty-seven to thirty-six pounds of water from thirtytwo degrees to the boiling point. As-suming that a pound of ordinary forest

gathering would boil the water out of hirty-six pounds of sap, it appears that Limited Foreign Service. would take 7,000,000 pounds (3,500 In preparing a civil service system ns) of wood to make a season's sugar; practicable to diplomatic and consular and also that the firewood burned just positions, the proposition to introduce a rule for an eight years' service will be about equals in weight the sugar pro-duced. Trees have to be tapped; fuel considered. It has been recommended has to be gathered, if not prepared; and thirty-five pounds of water have to be boiled away before the sugar is reached; ferson when secretary of state under moreover several weeks are spent at the work. What wonder that foreign substances sometimes creep into the pans. -

with Mayor Farnum. His partner is still employed in the house. A violin and viola furnish the music. Six girls are employed in the dance hall, and are on the floor from dark until midnight, their partners varying in social standing from such dignitaries as those just men-tioned to the dirtiest, blackest and coarsest of "bullwhackers." The men dance with hats on, and huge cigars be-tone the social standing to the dirtiest, blackest and coarsest of "bullwhackers." The men dance with hats on, and huge cigars be-tone the social standing to the dirtiest, blackest and coarsest of "bullwhackers." The men dance with hats on, and huge cigars be-tone to the dirtiest, blackest and coarsest of "bullwhackers." The men dance with hats on, and huge cigars be-tone to the dirtiest, blackest and coarsest of "bullwhackers." The men dance with hats on, and huge cigars be-tone to the dirtiest, blackest and coarsest of "bullwhackers." The men dance with hats on, and huge cigars be-tone to the dirtiest, blackest and coarsest of "bullwhackers." The men dance with hats on, and huge cigars be-tone to the dirtiest, blackest and falling, and about the thread to be proved in the bull the the theore is the posterior of the post of t

ance with hats on, and huge cigars be- rockets issuing from a bouquet of firedance with hats on, and huge clairs be-tween their teeth, and seem to enjoy the ten minutes set, for which they pay a half dollar, besides treats for self and partner. The theater is reached through two doorways, one leading to the lower part of the house, the other to the gal-lery, which is divided off into seven part of the house, the other to the gai-lery, which is divided off into seven boxes. Decorum is unknown to "Cricket" audiences, and, as a conse-quence, the performance is virtually one time to time the cloud was torn by a show and not for the ear. Great flash of lightning, accompanied by a clouds of smoke fill the room, while many girls, dressed in the loudest fash-

The Land of Revolutions,

ion, peddle drinks through the audience. The performance begins with the first Political prosecutions continue part of a minstrel show, the circle conisisting of "bones" and "tambourine" Mexico. Senor F. Mejia, Lerdo's secretary of the treasury, has been im-

The appendence of a balle girl. In the ante-rooms of
Persian royalty my wife was received by
the princesses thus attired, or rather un-
attired.The the two argued the point for a sec-
ond or two, sad Bill being inexorable, my
companion turned to a bystander and
sight "Come, pard, let's go in together.
TI put in ten with you." The person
appended to, confident of his ability to
raise the right shell, complied; two
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threats, during which Bill quietly picked up his money and slipped through the crowd to the street. He makes but one bet a night. On the other side of the street, a little lower down, stands "the Cricket," sm-other great resort. It is a dance hall and variety theater, the latter being a novelty here. It was in the "Cricket" that Gen. Crook danced in the same set with Mayor Farnum. His partner is still employed in the house. A violin makes the possession of Egypt a thou sand times more important to Englan

gently once or twice a week. Rain water, so refreshing to summer flowers, The company belonging to Montgom-ery Queen's circus passed through the public streets of San Francisco. The ammonia, dissolved in one gallon of water, it will make spring water even more stimulating to your plants than (one tablespoonful to a pail of water), they will grow more thrifty. Chicken of uneasiness at the presence of the tiger in the cage, and made several atmanure dissolved in water is excellent.

A Desperate Situation.

with the most impertinent rudeness, and, to her horror, the unhappy girl found herself tied for life to a person without

herself thed for life to a person without ordinary decency or manhood. Probably a divorce would have been obtained had it not been for the interfer-ence of the relatives of the young man (his family is a respective one), who finally prevailed upon the parents of the wird to extend a sort of sanction to the marriage, which they did, by issuing in-vitations to a grand party, to which 300 guests were invited, of which fifty only were present. A house was bought and furnished by the father of the bride, and the young couple went to housekeeping. The other day the mother called, found that her daughter had been struck and beaten, and was summarily ordered down stairs and out of the house by the scapegrace son-in-law, who, mad with drink and rage, himself put her out, and told her never to darken his doors again. The next day he was cowhided in the street by an indignant nephew of his mother-in-law and cousin of his wife. So much for a secret and hasty mar-

Affecting.

riage.

ast wagon in the caravan consisted of a They were out walking, enjoying the cool and refreshing air. The bright moon cast its rays over the lady, giving her an cage, the lioness in another, and between almost angelic appearance, and imparted them sat the keeper. During the entire to her flowing curls a still more golden hue. One of her soft white hands rested parade the lion manifested a good deal in his, and ever and anon she met his Always keep the soil in your flower pots loose. A common hair-pin used daily, will stir the earth sufficiently. Escorted by Whales. The San Francisco Chronicle has been The San Francisco Chronicle has been