NEWS OF THE WEEK

-The military investigation as to the cause of the fire in the Citadel at morning of the 12th, W. A. Garner Quebec has just been finished. The saw a figure "groping around the only thing known of its origin is that room." Thinking it a burglar, he it started in a quantity of straw just fired and shot his wife dead. inside the stable door, which was left open on account of the hot weather. Club reported at Boston on the 12th All the officers examined said they that on the afternoon of the 10th while considered the powder magazine both his yacht was anchored between Deer fire and bomb proof, and the panic and Long Islands, he saw a boat conuncalled for. Both the walls and roof He put out in a small boat for the consist of masonry six feet thick. A fire in Memphis, Tennessee, on the afternoon of the 11th, destroyed the upper portion of the stores of F. Ozanne & Co, and an adjoining building, causing a loss of \$80,000. Fire broke out on the evening of the 11th in the Otto Colliery of the Reading Company at Branchdale, near Pottsville, and spread rapidly. Sixteen mules perished. It is said that even if the fire be extinguished the colliery cannot be again worked this year. About 200 hands are thrown out of work.

-The bodies of the six miners remaining imprisoned in the Best & Belcher mines at Virginia City, Nevada, were found on the morning of the 10th and brought to the surface.

ton Beach, New York, on the 11th, coming by the stand the first time, Jessie fell. Wanderment went over near Dalton, Georgia, by a train, on her and Thomasia rolled over the two. Chandler, who rode Wanderment, escaped unhurt. Koerber, on Jessie, broke his left arm, and Harris, Thomasia's jockey, bit his tongue in twain, fractured his skull, had his jaw broken, and sustained internal injuries. He is not expected to survive.

cide at her home in Graham county, a large butcher's kuife into his right North Carolina, on the 3d inst., the day tixed for her marriage, because her pointing to his murderer, who made no father threatened to kill John Am- attempt to escaps. The wounded man mons, to whom she was engaged, if he died in about five minutes, and his asappeared on the premises.

recovered from the ruins of the Alca- nedy having defrauded his father of zar Theatre at Hurley, Wisconsin. Three persons were fatally injured by jumping from the upper story of the building, making the total list of fa- 1850 and 1860 was Commissioner of merges into a single track, "and the talities by the fire 17. The total loss is now estimated at \$450,000 and the insurance about \$50,000. Five blocks, Smith, about 23 years of age, a saloon including seventy buildings, were keeper of Savannah, was found dead burned.

-Diphtheria is increasing in the districts around Quebec. Forty cases are reported at Levis, and at Charlesbourg for the crime and a woman named large trees, leveling chimneys and unchildren, the oldest 15 years old, within the past fortnight.

-Maggie Harper was killed by light-Jackson, Mississippi, on the 10th.

Highmore, Dakota, on the evening of Joseph Paul, engineer, was killed. ings.

the cash was recovered.

-At Royal Centre, Indiana, on the

-A member of the Hull Yacht caused by fears of an explosion entirely taining five men capsize a mile away. and Louisiana, where a drop of from 4 place, but found nothing.

-The fire in the Otter Colliery, near Pottsville, is still raging, and the ground around the mouth of the slope is caving in. On the afternoon of the 12th, young Eddte Ferguson, son of tion of from four to eighteen degrees the outside boss (the boy who first dis- in the temperature. The heat concovered the fire), was crossing the floor of the engine room with his father's dinner, when the charred boards gave South Atlantic States. way and he disappeared into the burning mine, amid an outburst of flame, coused by the collapse of the engine house floor.

-While watching a thunder storm from their plazza, near Opelika, Alabama, on the 11th, Mrs. John Bankhead and her three children were struck by lightning. Two of the children were killed, and the other child and -During the fourth race at Brigh- the mother are in a critical condition. -Mrs. Craig and her niece, Allie Phillips, were caught on a trestle bridge attempt to take his life, and concluded his speech amid prolonged applause." the morning of the 12th, and killed. At Lexington, Mississippi, on the after-

-Joseph C. Kennedy, an attorney dependent and Republican candidate and real estate agent, about 75 years of for the Legislature shot and killed age, was murdered in Washington at 5 John S. Harkins, Jr., associate editor o'clock on the evening of the 13th, apof the Bulletin. parently without provocation. Just before he was about to get on a car at a street corner, a laborer named John -Miss Viola Meets committed sui- Dailey walked up behind him and ran side. Mr. Kennedy fell to the ground, son, perhaps mortally. sassin was taken to the station. There -Fourteen bodies have thus far been he told a rambling story about Ken-Ohio Railroad ran into each other near Gaithersburg, Maryland, on the eventhe Census. At one time he edited the brakes of the East-bound train failed Intelligencer, of Franklin, Pa. George to work when applied in order to allow the West-going train to run on to the double track." No one was fatally inwith his throat cut on the beach at jured.

Tybee Island on the morning of the -A violent wind storm passed over 13th. Thomas Cassidy and Barney Quebec and the surrounding country Keys have been arrested on suspicion on the evening of the 13th, uprooting Farrell has been arrested as accessory. roofing buildings. It is supposed robbery was the motive -The town of Nogales, Arizona, of the deed. was inundated on the afternoon of the

-An express train on the Kentucky 13th by a cloud burst on a neighboring ning while walking along the street in Central Railroad collided with a mountain. In the vicinity of the town special engine while rounding a curve five houses were swept away and an -A heavy wind and rain storm at near Robinson Station, on the 13th. | infant was drowned. -The city of St. Paul was visited on the 10th, destroyed several small build- Four other train hands were severely the evening of the 13th by countless -Near Litchford, Kentucky, on rough shaking up. Two freight trains which swarmed around the gas lamps the 11th, James Holcomb and John on the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad and electric lights, and covered build-Deeze went to the house of William collided at Craigsville, Virginia, on ings and the ground. In one place

mit the robbery. The watch, but not lowed with 98 degrees; North Platte, hand over his watch and the contents Neb., Dubuque, Iowa, Indianapolis, Ind., Lynchburg and Forfolk, Virof the money drawer, about \$20. The

robber escaped into Connecticut. ginia. with 96 degrees; and Columbus, -S. J. Straley, a prominent whole-Ohio; Louisville, Kentucky, and sale dealer in fruits and vegetables in Dodge City, Kansas, with 94 degrees. Springfield, Ohlo, was arrested on the In Washington the maximum tempera-15th, on the charge of obtaining goods ture was 93. During the past 24 hours under false pretences. It is alleged the temperature has fallen from 6 to 12 that he created a corner in blackberries young widow. degrees in Western Dakota, Wyoming, by purchasing almost the entire crop Montana and Colorado. A cool wave in Central Ohio, and, losing heavily, has also made itself felt in Northern then transferred his store to a preferred Texas, the Indian Territory, Arkansas creditor.

-The largest sale of confiscated to 20 degrees has occurred, although goods ever held in San Francisco was the thermometer still hovers around made by the U.S. Marshall, on the the eighties. The warm weather has 14th. It consisted of merchandise also been broken in the Lake Superior seized from Chinese steamers, includregion, Pennsylvania, New York and the New England States by a reducing \$46,500 worth of opium.

-Thomas Williams, 30 years old, met Maggie Catlin, aged 20, in comtinues unabated in Kansas, Nebraska, pany with her brother, on the street in Minnesota, Eastern Dakota and the West Newton, Penna., on the evening of the 15th, and asked her to shake hands. She refused, whereupon Wil--At Willborn, Texas, on the evenliams drew a revolver. The girl staring of the 13th, while W. E. Farquted to run. Williams pursued her, and har and Dr. J. F. Eves were jointly fired once, and seeing her fall thought discussing the prohibition amendment, he had killed her. He then blew out "Farquhar, who had concluded his his brains. The girl escaped, as her argument against the amendment, befall was from fright. Both parties are came enraged at the remarks of Dr. colored, and Williams' action is attri-Eves, who favored it, and fired at him buted to jealousy. with a Ballard rifle. The ball missed

-A telegram from Tucson reports never awake from the blissful dream, its mark and lodged in the wall just that Southern Arizona has been visited behind the speaker's head. Dr. Eves was not disconcerted by his opponent's by very severe rain-storms and cloudbursts during the past eight days. The Santa Cruz river 18 more than a mile wide, and washouts on the railroad noon of the 13th, R. B. Chatham, Inlarge quantity of stock has been drowned. On the 13th a loaded freight | Nelly Archer's shoulder. train was carried away by a cloudburst in Canon Deore.

-Four colored men at work on a -A temperature of 100 in the shade ceiling in the State House at Columbia. was registered by the thermometer in South Carolina, were on the morning of Lyunchburg, Virginia, on the afterthe 14th, thrown to the floor, thirty feet noon of the 15th. The temperature at below, by the giving way of a scaffold. Pittsburg on the 15th reached 96 in George Caldwall was killed and the the shade. Many mills and factories others were injured, one, Cyrus Jackceased operations, and a large number of sunstrokes were reported, three of -Two trains on the Baltimore and them fatal.

> -James Tolly, an eccentric farmer near Shelbyville, Illinois, had \$1500 short time ago. The robbers over-Tolly was persuaded by his wife to take bank. The coin was in one package, Archer. and two men were required to remove it from the wagon.

-Meredith Mansell, colored, and one of his children were killed by lightning while at dinner in Pickens county, South Carolina, on the 15th. His wife and four other children were injured.

Obliging Mexican Clerks.

Mexican ladies even shop in their carriages, and compel the clerks to bring out to the curbstone the goods they wish to look at. A row of carri- was in the thing.

ages jammed close together before a

The Widow's Mystery.

Mrs. Nelly Archer was one of the prettiest little widows that ever looked fascinating in the flutter of black ribbons and transparent crapes; yet, somehow, no one was ever jealous of the affectionate, warm-hearted, beautful

For was she not ready to help the helpless, care for the careless, and think for the thoughtless? You couldn't help wondering what

people did in the benighted times before Mrs. Nelly Archer came on to the as my bride!" stage of life, so indispensable did she seem to human comfort.

So, of course, the very evening of the day that Miss Mildred Wilton became engaged to Henry Forrest, she came up through the evening twilight, with incense of flowers scattered on her path, to tell Nelly about it. It was just as natural as thinking aloud.

"In love, you dear foolish thing!" said Mrs. Nelly, laughingly, imprisoning both of Mildred's fluttering hands, and looking archly under the downsweeping fringes of her timid eyes. "Well, every young girl must come, sooner or later, to the place where some some happy youth becomes glorified in her sight, and his words are like the law and the prophets. May you

lovel "He is so changed, somehow!"

The moon, which had been a narrow slit of pearl when Harry Forrest first whispered his love into Mildred's willhave been frequent and numerous. A ing ear, was in its sickly gibbons now; and poor Mildred was crying on Mrs.

"How, dearest?" said Nelly, stroking the dark, disheveled locks, while she pressed her cool cheek against Mildred's burning forehead.

"He is so grave and self-absorbed; and when he looks at me, it is with such a pitying glance. "And two or three times some un-

spoken sentence has quivered on his lips. Nelly do you suppose-can it be possible?-that he has ceased to love me, and wishes to be release from our engagement?"

"Not a bit of it; love! Don't distaken from his house by burglars a tress your dear little head; it will all come right, I am sure. You know looked \$20,000 in coin. On the 14th that money affairs are in a very critical state just now, and all business men the cash to Shelbyviile and deposit it in are necessarily anxious," replied Mrs.

"Do you think that is all?" murmured Mildred, gradually hushing her sobs, and drawing closer to her comforter, as a child distressed by sorrowful dreams clings to its soothing nurse. "Of course it is! And now, love, it is growing late, and I must send you home. Go by the main road, Mildred -it is less damp than the path along the river-side."

What possessed her to set out by the river path, in spite of Nelly's warning? Perhaps because that way was nearest -perhaps because the finger of fate

For, as she approached a dense mass fashionable store, and a row of bare- of silver birchwood that skirted the headed salesmen, bargaining with the path, the sound of low voices made her occupants, is a common sight, while start behind the trees with an uneasy warlike attitude it is exceedingly other clerks rush to and fro in a frenzy consciousness that she was not alone. alarming, not only to boys and girls,

involved, and I trembled lest it should be my duty to ask you to wait years for me, or even to give me up. For, Milly, I could not ask you to marry a

beggar!" "But Mrs. Archer so earnestly desired the marriage to go on, that she has nobly placed a large portion of her wealth in my hands-as a loan, of course-to enable me to begin the world once more.

"The sun of fortune, thanks to Nelly, is beginning to shine on me once again, and I come to claim you

"Then Nelly does not love you?" murmured Mildred Wilton, her eyes sparkling through tears like a rainbow.

"Love me? I should think not; but I can tell you whom she does love-your handsome brother Ashley, who is nearly as jealous of our business interviews as your little self. They are over now, Milly, and I shouldn't wonder if we had two weddings one of these days!"

And Mildred cried again upon her over's strong manly breast-but they were not bitter tears! Nor could she rest until she had confessed everything to Nelly Archer, who, being a merciful little lady, kissed and forgave her in the same breath.

As Henry Forrest had foretold, there was a double wedding in the old village church, and Mrs. Ashley Wilton, in ber soft white bridal robes, was even prettler than Nellie Archer, the widow. had been in her youthful days.

----Natural Mimicry.

Some insects have a deceptive resemblance to members of the vegetable world, either for the purpose of protecting themselves or for that of decoying their prey. But a more wonderful simulation is that of the features of other insects.

There is in Borneo a sand-wasp which is addicted to the habit of devouring crickets, but there is also a species of cricket which exactly reproduces the appearance of its enemy, so that it can even associate with it undiscovered.

A species of mantis imitates the white ant, and mixing with the family, like one of its own members, quietly devours a fat termite, from time to time.

Flies often dwell as unbidden guests in the nests and hives of wild honeybees. They are belted and bearded in the self-same pattern as their unconscious hosts, but their larvæ pay for their hospitality they steal by devouring the young grubs of the hive.

Beetles often imitate hornets, since the latter are insects to which birds in search of animal food prefer to give a very wide berth. Even the mimicry of stinging insects is sometimes performed by innocent little creatures quite destitute of any such means of defence. A common insect, known in England as the devil's coach-horse, throws up its tail in the aggressive fashion of a scorpion, when irritated, but it has no hint of a sting. In its

Oller. "to settle a grudge" against him and his son "Jake." They used threatening language to the latter, whereupon be discharged a shot gun at Deeze, killing him on the spot. Holshows that he died by the administra- condition. tion of poison with criminal intent. A

telegram from Detroit reports the death of Arthur Stone, alias Arthur Sanderson, on the evening of the 11th. from the effects of a gunshot wound inflicted by Sergeant Davis, of the Twenty-third United States Infantry. at Fort Wayne. It appears that Sanderson recently accused a sergeant of yards, several small tenements, W. R. stealing a cane, and was tried for "conduct derogatory to military discipline" and sentenced to two years' im- \$25,000. A fire at Lima, Ohio, on the prisonment. On the 11th he made a break for liberty and was shot. At St. gle's livery stable, Sontag's tobacco Henry's Ohio, on the 11th, Caspar Link, a clock peddler, got drunk and insulted women on the street. The villagers tried to chase him out of the place, but he turned on them and struck Bernard Brock over the head with a club, crushing in his skull and killing him instantly. He then struck Caspar Schneiderberger, knocking him insensible and inflicting injuries which may preve fatal.

-Grape rot is reported all through tually destroyed.

-A disastrous flood, caused by the breaking of a dam, has occurred at Thompson's Falls, Idaho. It is reported that many bridges and the lives have been lost. A tornado and hail storm passed over portions of each fire." Hughes and Sully counties, Dakota, on the evening of the 11th. Hailstones "as large as hens' eggs" ruined the crops, while the wind blew down a number of buildings,

-James Martin, a drug clerk in Bridgeport, Connecticut, was charg- graveyard, were killed by a single flash ing a soda fountain on the morning of lightning. The victims included of the 12th, when it burst, and a large the minister and his wife, and the fragment struck him, causing a compound fracture of both legs below the knees.

-Joseph B. Lincoln was awakened in his Common wealth avenue residence \$162,426,194, against \$122,810,379 durin Boston on the evening of the 11th by a burglar, who threatened his life if he refused to give up his valuables. Mr. Lincoln, who was alone in the house, handed over nearly \$400 in between nine o'clock in the morning cash and his gold watch to the burglar, and sunset, has ranged from 94 to 100

misplacement of a switch. Both en- depth of over a foot. gines were wrecked, and a brakeman

-The Benjamin Ray property, on Housatonic avenue, in Bridgeport, Connecticut, was destroyed by fire on morning of the 13th. Loss, \$50,000. A fire in Port Huron, Michigan, on the afternon of the 12th, destroyed Cooley & Campbell's planing mill and lumber Mulford's furniture factory, and Forester & Vincent's grain elevator. Loss, morning of the 13th, destroyed Banwarehouse, and part of Meiley's block. Loss, \$25,000. Incendiarism is suspected. The soap factory and refining to recover. house of N. K. Fairbanks & Co.'s lard and oil works in Chicago were burned on the evening of the 13th. Loss, \$160,-000, about one-half insured. A Methodist church at Bowling Green. Kentucky, was burned on the 13th, and William Lyle, fireman, was killed by a large bell failing on his head.

the Piedmont section of Virginia, and the last four weeks has been unprece- Frost and six female helpers who were three days in the latter part of June, nearly drowned. it ranged below 70.

-A despatch from Roann, Indiana, tain City and York have been swept tacked by a cloud of insects, resembsoon piled up in great heaps around excursion train was crowded with peo-

> -A special despatch to the New York World reports that during a colored funeral at Mount Pleasant, Tennessee, on the 12th, nine of the participants, who took shelter from a violent thunder storm under a tree in the mother and two sisters of the deceased.

month which ended on June 30th was ing the preceding twelve months.

-In Richmond, Virginia, during the last three days, the temperature, who escaped. On the 12th Edward W. degrees in the shade. The hotest the store of John D. Langworthy, at Skiff, a Herdic driver, who took Mr. place in the United States on the 14th Ashway, Rhode Island, near the Con-Lincoln home at midnight, was arres- was Fort Sully, Dakota, with the necticut border, on the 14th, and at was Fort Sully, Dakota, with the necticut border, on the 14th, and at ted and confessed that he got a "chum" thermometer at 102 degrees. Huron, the point of the pistol, forced Lang-

the evening of the 12th, owing to the they covered the pavement to the

-Timothy Carey, a cripple, was named Coffman was badly injured. supported by his wife in New York, -As three Hungarians were going she keeping a few boarders and working comb then ran towards the orchard, home from work at Yorktown, south as a laundress. The couple spent the where William Oller was. The old of Hazleton, Penna., on the evening evening of the 13th in quarreling. On man seeing him coming and thinking of the 13th, the ground over which the morning of the 14th, after getting he had killed the son, shot Holcomb in they were walking gave way sud- breakfast for her boarders, Mrs. Carey the breast, and killed him. An ex- denly, and one of the party was struck her husband on the head with a amination at Denver, Colorado, of the buried beneath a mass of rocks and stick, and committed suicide by swalbody of John Wetter, whose death on earth. Men were set to work at once, lowing poison, Several years ago Mrs. the 3d instant was reported to have and, after working all night, they re- Carey was sentenced to imprisonment been caused by cancer of the stomach, covered the body in a horribly mangled for life for setting fire to her sister's house, but after she had served two years Governor Cleveland pardoned her.

> -- An oil can exploded in the house of J. L. Smith, at Latrobe, Penna., on the evening of the 14th, fatally burning a young son of Mr. Smith and two colored boys. At Greensburg, a petroleum explosion burned to death Mrs. Forsythe and destroyed her house.

-Three children of August Williamson, aged respectively 8, 10 and 12 years, while playing with firecrackers at Mount Pleasant, Wisconsin, on the evening of the 14th, exploded a box of powder near by. The youngest child was killed, but the others are expected

-A large tank of water, having a capacity of 30,000 gallons, supplying the Osborne House, near Lawrence, Long Islaud, burst on the evening of the 13th. A portion of its sides, with a large volume of water, crashed down upon the roof of the kitchen, which was partially carried down upon the -The weather in Chicago during heads of Frank Gildersleeve, Frank

the grape crop there is said to be vir- dented, the highest daily temperature at work. Gildersleeve had several averaging over S1 degrees, and this teeth knocked out, while the rest was notwithstanding the fact that, during more or less bruised, besides being

-At St. Thomas, Ontario, on the evening of the 15th, at the crossing greater portion of the towns of Moun- says that on the 13th "the town was at- of the Michigan Central and Grand Trunk Roads, a Grand Trunk excuraway, and it is feared that many ling millers, so dense that lights had slon train ran into a Michigan Central wagons and teams on the roads have to be lighted. The pests covered freight train with oil cars attached. been caught in the torrent. The dam- everything, business was suspended for The oil caught fire and both trains age to mining property has been great, a time, and bonfires were built, which and a warehouse and several sheds and there are fears that a number of drew the insects, and their bodies were were consumed. The first car of the ple, and it is feared there was terrible loss of life. An hour after the crash, while a crowd of people were looking at the blazing pile, one of the oil tanks suddenly exploded, throwing hundreds reds to the ground and seriously if not fatally burning many. At last accounts nine bodies had been recovered

from the train wreck. -A freigt train and a stock train on the Burlington and Missouri Railroad collided on the morning of the 15th on -The total value of our exports of a small bridge near Lincoln, Nebraska. domestic breadstuffs during the twelve The bridge caught fire, and two engines and thirteen loaded cars were destroyed, including two cars full of cattle. The loss is estimated at nearly \$200,000. The train men saved themselves by jumping off before the colli-

> sion. -An unknown highwayman entered

of excitement, bringing out box after box and piece after piece of goods, matching shades, samples, trimmings, etc. Only servants and foreigners of the stores the merchants have fitted up private parlors, where ladies may sit, if they like, and have the goods brought to them-but even this is considered "questionable." Shopping is a serious undertaking here, for merchants never classify their goods, but choly and changed. keep silks and cottons, woolens and

you step into a store and ask for a pair | that led to Mrs. Archer's house. of gloves nobody has any idea where the kind you require are to be found, and a grand search commences. The obliging clerks tumble over drawers in which are shoes and ribbons, bustles, the desired articles are discovered.

A GREAT IMPROVEMENT .- A Dakota young lady was visiting a friend in the east who had visited her in her resolves were all taken. Dakota last summer.

"You don't know how I miss our lovely Dakota moonlight," said the territorial maiden. "Don't you think the moon is as

nice here as at your home?" asked her friend "Oh, it isn't half so lovely. You

ought to see it-it's perfectly elegant. and makes it almost as light as Cay!" "I did see it last summer, and it didn't seem to me to be any brighter than it is here."

"Oh, well, last summer, of course, it place! It is fifty per cent brighter."

The change from dry to green foods is a delicate matter with sheep. Just here is where the value of roots is most noticeable.

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The tones came nearer; and as the speakers emerged into the uncertain moonlight from the shadowed place where the path wound through the stand at the counters to buy. In a few glen, her heart stood still with chill, sick horror.

> She knew the promenaders well. Was this the reason Nelly had desired her to go by the main road? Oh, false friend-recreant lover-no need to ask why Henry was melan-

"Nelly, you Ore an angel! Why linens mixed up together on their should I not go with you?" she heard shelves in the wildest confusion. If him say, as they paused at the path

Nelly shook her head laughingly. this to Mildred-poor little Mildred!" There are times when a minute laces, perfumery, and what not until all the bitterness of years; and our thus the orioles find their own decepreaders may judge, if they can, how tive plumage a great protection. long this night was to Mildred Wilton's breaking henrt.

By morning's faint dawn, however,

She would release Forrest from his troth, though her own heart-strings parted-but she would never see Nelly beast struck him with its paws he lost Archer more. Ah, why had she not suspected this

double-dealing before? "Why, Mildred, you don't seem at

all glad to see me this morning!" And Harry Forrest playfully pulled away the hand that shaded Mildred's tear-stained eyes, and looked lovingly into her face.

"Why, what's the matter?-you have been crying! Well, I suppose I mustn't wasn't; but you ought to see it this summer since the boom struck our one, to ask if you would allow me to fix Thursday week for our weddingday?"

"My wedding-day will never come Henry," said Mildred, controlling her agitation by a strong effort. "I release you from our engagement from this ball in his heart. moment?"

"What do you mean?" ejaculated Henry? "Release me? But I won't be released!"

"Do not let us prolong this interview," said Mildred, tremulously. was accidentally in the river path last night, and witnessed the parting between you and Helen Archer."

"Well, what of it?" said Henry, stsill in a state of bewilderment.

"Nothing," faltered Mildred, al-most inaudibly; "only if I had sooner known that your affections were transferred from me to Mrs. Archer, I should sooner have set you free from all allegiance towards me."

She broke down here, the poor little heroine, and burst into a passion of tears.

perplexity, "will you hear my explana-ation? Nelly made me promise secrecy, but she never could have foreseen these circumstances.

"My affections have been securely placed beyond my keeping ever since I saw one Miss Mildred Wilton.

"I never dreamt of transferring them, and couldn't if I were to try. But dearest Milly, since our engagement I have become a comparatively poor man through the failure of business men with whom I was indirectly Queen of Italy.

but to chickens and birds.

The bumble-bee files, which are inoffensive little creatures, imitating the wild bee, flit about and buzz angrily in the sunlight, quite after the insect they copy, and gain an undeserved reputation of fierceness.

Certain beetles have become modified o resemble wasps, even to the extent of losing their solid waists for others of ultra-fashionable slenderness, and others, which mimic bees have acquired useless little tufts of hair on their shanks, to represent the pollengathering apparatus of the true bees.

A curious case of imitation is that of two species of Malayan orioles, which "Mind," she said, "not a word of are almost exact counterparts of two varieties of honey-suckers. The latter are such fierce birds as to be avoided seems to compress into its seconds by all their feathered neighbors, and

In a Tiger's Jaws.

Dr. Livingstone, who was severely bitten by a lion, said that when the consciousness and knew nothing until after his rescue. The doctor thought the lion's blow a merciful provision of nature, whereby the prey was freed from pain while being torn to pieces.

An English officer, while serving in India, had a different experience from Livingstone's while being carried off by a tiger. So far from losing consciousness, he was never more alive.

There had been a hunt to afford the Marquis of Hastings, the Governor-General, some sport. The tiger had been found and shot. As he lay motionless on the ground, everybody supposed him to be dead. But a tiger is not always as he seems. He has been known to charge a 100 yards with a

The officer rashly approached the stretched out beast, when suddenly coming to itself, it sprang upon the man. He fired a pistol but missed. The next moment he was in the tiger's Jaws, with his right hand pinned down across his breast, utterly powerless, and being carried into the jungle.

In a minute or two, the tiger, in order to carry its burden with greater ease, chucked the officer up in the air and caught him by the thigh as he fell. The cool, self-controlled officer, though suffering agony, drew another pistol, introduced its muzzle into the

tiger's ear, and pulled the trigger. The brute fell dead without a struggle. Lord Hastings promoted the officer on the spot for his courage and calmness. But the snap of the tiger's teeth "My darling Milly," said Henry, as in re-catching him as he fell, inflicted if a sudden light had broken in on his so severe a wound upon the sinews of

-The finding of the remains of a mastodon of the largest size, with a portion of scull over two inches in thickness, is reported from San Antonio, Texas.

-Prince Montleart, who died the other day, is reported to have left the whole of his fortune, estimated at two and a half millions sterling, to the