NEWSOF THE WEEK.

-Mrs. Lizzie Adams, while going home from church, in Pittsburg, on the evening of the 23d, was murderlums were tormenting him. He drew a knife and turned upon them. Mrs. Adams, who happened to be passing at the time, was stabbed in the back by the frenzied man, the blade passing into her left lung. Bosso was saved by some determined citizens from being lynched, and the woman was carried home. She is in a critical condition,

New Jersey, on the morning of the times, and his wife, Rose, shot in the assault and battery against Danmo and I

-An oven used for japanning in the works of J. H. Sessions & Sons, at Waterbury, Connecticut, exploded on building on fire. When the fire was extinguished the dead bodies of Willie Young, aged 14 years, Burt Cleveland, aged 15, and John Shane, aged 31, were taken from the ruins. Six or seven others were injured, two severely.

-A furious gale accompanied by the Upper Lakes. At Sheybogan, Michigan, the ground was covered with snow. It was feared that shipping in transit would suffer from the gale. A snow storm was raging at Ottawa, Ontario, on the evening of the 23d, with a fall two inches deep. A southwest gale raged on Lake Erie, on the 23d. The velocity of the wind ranged from 35 to 60 miles an hour. Vessels were windbound at many ports on the lake, and it is thought some wrecks will be reported. One of the severest snow and wind storms ever known at the Black Hills, Dakota, set in on the evening of the 22d, and continued all night. Eight inches of snow fell, and the drifts seriously impede travel.

-Masked highwaymen stopped stage coach, near Redding, California, on the evening of the 21st, and when the stage horses became frightened and started to run, one of the robbers fired, killing a passenger named Henderson, a prominent citizen of Adin, California. Armed parties started in frustrated on the evening of the 24th pursnit of the robbers.

Brothers, of Havana, Cuba, has been arrested for obtaining \$3000 from the Bank of Commerce on a draft purpor-Brothers. Quintero confessed the for- to get out, but lost all their clothing. gery.

Francisco pugilist, named McClellan, gambling. being drunk, recently challenged any one of a beer drinking crowd at Las in Indianapolis, Indiana. was arrested Cascades, Panama, to fight with him. for selling liquor on Sunday. On the A powerful negro canal digger accepted the challenge and threw McClellan violently three times, inflicting internal injuries, of which he died a few days ago. Evans Shelby, a farmer, near Paducah, Kentucky, has been said that Riley had induced him to do and fifteen shots were heard between arrested for the murder of Mrs. Steven Moore, who was 70 years old. After the murder \$680 was taken from the under bail for trial on the charge of as the place is off in the country. A house. In Winn Parish, Louisiana, Washington Adams and his wife separated a short time ago, and she went, father, Andrew Smith. A few days Smith by his son-in-law. Adams then range some 20 feet. took his child and left, but was arrested on the 24th and put in jail. Adams' father, when he heard of hisson's crime, committed suicide. Frank Gorningon. barber in Cairo, Illinois, shot self with a pair of shears, cut several which he jumped into a dry cistern. pital, and it is thought he will die. Perry King and Andrew Green, both break into a house at Lamar, Louis- children. jana, were taken from the jail at that place and lynched by a mob, on the

cide in San Francisco on the 23d. He was shot twice, but not seriously inwas a brother-in-law of Dr. J. M. Pow- jured by Deitz, who had become a ers, who is under sentence of death for maniac. Officers were summoned, but poisoning his wife, two years ago. It when they reached the room Deitz was injured. Two freight trains on the to the Coroner, in which he confessed | heart. that he gave the poison to his sister to obtain the insurance on her life, and dicted at Orrick, Missouri, for forging exonerated Powers from any connec- a pension claim, on which he obtained tion with the crime. The police are from the Government about \$517. working on the cas . The evidence against Powers wa circumstantial, and Berhayon was one of the principal witnesses for the prosecution.

-Leopold Gottlieb was fined \$100 in the U. S. District Court, at New York, and the Third Methodist Church. at \$20,000. Two freight trains on the on the 24th, for attempting to ship They were arrested by policemen who same road collided near Dixon, on the on the 24th, for attempting to ship matches in the People's Line of steamers without properly marking them, as required by law.

-A violent gale ranged throughout the Lake region on the 23d and 24th. and it was accompanied on the Upper Lake by a blinding snow storm. A number of marine disasters are reported, one of them involving a loss of five lives. The high wind did much damage on shore. A wind velocity of 60 lost in Pescadores on September 15th, miles an hour was reported at Buffalo. | and 280 Chinese and five Europeans | crushed to death, on the morning o At Mitchell, Ontario, a dwelling was blown down and two of the inmates | the China Sea, about the same time, were killed. Fiftsen inches of snow the steamer Anton lost her second offi-fell at Deadwood, Dakota, on the night of the 23d, and the temperature fell to steamer Maxwell arrived at Parry Lina Geissert, 26 years old, a maniac, 16 degrees below zero. Eight inches Sound, Ontario, on the night of the eluded her keepers, and, after saturat

grees at St. Paul, zero at Aberdeen, Dakota, and 15 degrees below zero at Billings, Montana, were experienced on the 24th.

-The Pacific Express on the Wabash Railroad ran into a wash-out near ously assaulted by John Bosso, The Missouri City, Missouri, on the 24th. latter was drunk and a crowd of hood- The engine was derailed. Engineer John Mrtthias was killed and Postal Clerk C. N. Black badly injured.

A white man named Parrish shot and killed three colored men in Calhoun county, Florida, a few days ago. beat to gather up logs which had sistance. broken loose from a raft, when he came on the scene. They explained that -During a fight in what is known as they were not stealing the boat, but he the "Italian Barrracks" in Jersoy City, would not listen to them, and shot three of them down. The other 23d, Frank Danmo was stabbed three jumped overboard and escaped. A colored man named Collier was under left breast, both being seriously if not arrest at Galloway, Arkansas, charged fatally wounded. The man who did with attempting to dispose of mortthe stabbing and shoting was arrested gaged property. He attempted to and made counter charges of atrocious | make his escape on the 23d and was shot and killed by a constable. Andrew Henry, a colored rough, was shot and fatally wounded by Henry Harris, also colored, at Marietta, Penna., on the evening of the 24th. Henry had the morning of the 22d, setting the assaulted the mother of Harris and was trying to force his way into Harris' house when shot. Henry L. Jones shot and killed William S. Adler, his farm hand, in Isle of Wight county, Virginia, on the evening of the 24th, in a quarrel about some trifling matter. Last week Benjamin Howard met his wife, from whom he had been separsnow and rain, raged on the 23d, on ated, in Goodloe, Kentucky. She refused to return home with him, and he shot her and left her in a dying condition.

-Snow fell in Staunton, Virginia, all of the 25th, but melted as it fell. It Red river is reported frozen over from St. Vincent, Minnesota, to Pembina. Such a thing has not happened so early in the season for thirty years. At Cheboygan, Michigan, on the 25th, the snow was six inches deep, and it was freezing hard.

-A cyclone raged at Progreso, Mexico, from the 12th to the 16th. The wind began from the northwest and shifted to the southeast. For five days there was no communication with the shore. Several vessels were blown high and dry on the beach, trees were upthe railroad washed away.

-An attempt to burn thirty Italians asleep in a building in the township of Paris, Kent county, Michigan, was by the timely warning of one who -Joseph Quintero, a clerk in the awoke and found the building in New York Agency of Fernandez flames. An unknown man set fire to the house and then joined a party on and used every effort to keep the inting to have been drawn by Fernandez mates from escaping. They managed

-Joseph Duncan, under a twenty retary of B. C. Faurot, President years' sentence for homicide, was shot | of the Lima National Bank, in Lima, dead by the Sheriff at Hot Springs, Ohio, has disappeared. He is said to Arkansas, on the 23d while try- be a defaulter for several thousand doling to escape from the jail. A San lars, supposed to have been lost in

-Lawrence Riley, a saloon keeper 25th, the boy who bought the liquor swore that it was vinegar, and Riley corroborated the testimony. The boy be, As they approached the outlaw subsequently confessed to the Mayor shot Scarbrough in the neck and head, subsequently confessed to the Mayor shot Scarbrough in the neck and head, that he had committed perjury, and killing him. Brown went in the house perjury.

-While the Brainerd Rifle Club with her child, to the house of her were at practice in Brainerd, Minnesota, on the 25th, William Monroe, tarago Adams went to Smith's to get his get marker, was shot and killed. The child, and the two men got into a ball was swerved from its course by a quarrel, which resulted in the killing of sudden gust of wind, he being out of

-A threshing machine exploded near Ellendale, Dakota, on the 25th, killing three men and wounding two others.

-A second case of cholera from the his wife in the mouth on the 24th. He steamship Britannia in New York Bay then cut his own throat, stabbed him- has been sent to Swinburne Island. Thirteen new cases of yellow fever and gashes in his head with a hatchet, after | three deaths were reported in Tampa on the 24th. The British ship Salon, He was taken out and sent to a hos- at Savannah, which had three cases of small-pox during her voyage, was sent His wife will probably recover. to quarantine on the 25th. There are Jealousy is supposed to be the cause. now 600 cases of typhoid fever in Cincinnati, and the disease is rapidly colored, charged with attempting to spreading. Most of the patients are

-Joel Deitz, an advertising agent from Pennsylvania, settled in Bay King confessed that he and City, Michigan, about four weeks ago. Green had intended to assault two On the evening of the 24th Dr. Baker was sent for at his request. As the -Henry Berhayon committed sui- physician was going to Deltz's room he is said Berhayon left a letter addressed found dying, with a bullet through his Pennsylvania Raliroad collided at Glen-

-John Mason, a notary, has been in-

-Alexander Norman, aged 20 years, and William Andrews, aged 30, pleafire to the Salvation Army barracks the banks of the cut. The loss is placed They were arrested by policemen who discovered the fire before it had made much headway. The culprits said they were drunk at the time.

-The President of the United States on the 25th issued a proclamation designating Thursday, November 24th, as a day of National Thanksgiving and prayer.

-The Chinese transport Waylee was were drcwned. During a typhoon in

Moose Point. The Victor was in tow Weil, a clothing merchant, of Ironton. tion. Two of them had their feet A telegram from Port Colfrozen. bourne, Ontario, says the schooner Seaton, stranded near Port Burwell, 18 in a dangerous position, her hold nearly full of water and listed badly. The schooner Neelton, sunk by the Seaton, is in a better position and may be raised. Wreckers with steam pumps Four men were using the murderer's and a lighter have gone to their as-

-John Glass, 60 years old, a resident of Loretta, Penna., while driving a pair of horses over the railroad crossing at Lilly's Station on the 26th was struck by a train and fatally injured. Both horses were killed. Lewis Lanyon, 35 years of age, was killed in the iron shaft at Pittston, Penna., on the afternoon of the 26th. He stepped on the side of the bucket as he was being lowered into the pit and fell to the bottom, 225 feet below. found dead in bed in the Leister House, in Huntingdon, Penna., on the morning of the 26th. He had blown out the gas and was suffocated.

-Advices from Port-au-Prince to October 16th say that from September 22d to date (Oct. 26th) shocks of earthquake had been felt almost daily on the island. The inhabitants were panicstricken and business was almost entirely suspended. A private letter from Santiago de Cuba, dated the 14th inst., says that, since the great earthquake shock of September 23d, there had been 30 slighter shocks, all causing more or less damage and a panic among the people. It is estimated that over 18,000 persons have quitted their shaky snowed at Charlottesville all day. The dwellings and are living in boats or camped in the public squares.

-Richard Paxton on the evening of the 25th, entered a saloon in Harrodsburg, Kentucky, in which Henry l'assmore, the barkeeper, was alone. Three shots were heard, and Paxton emerged and shortly fell dead.

-The local election in Baltimore was held on the 26th. The vote polled aggregate 65,075, and Latrobe, the regular Democratic candidate for Mayor, got 4205 majority, a Democratic gain of 2000 since the election for Mayor two years ago. The new rooted, houses demolished and part of City Council will have 12 Democrats and 8 Republicans in the First Branch, and 7 Democrats and 3 Republicans in the Second.

-"Ped" Sheckley shot and killed James Carrey and then killed himself, near New Burlington, Indiana, on the evening of the 27th. Carrey was Sheckley's father-in-law, and the shooting was the result of an old grudge. John the outside, who barricaded the doors O'Hara died on the evening of the 27th in Alpena, Michigan, from a gunshot wound in the head. He said Philip Cross shot him. Cross had his skull factured, and, it is thought, will die. The cause of the tragedy is unknown, but it is supposed to have resulted from a quarrel about money matters. Dink Buckalew, convicted of murder in Chambers county, Alabama, has been for some time at large, and a reward of \$400 has been offered by the Governor for his arrest. A special to the Montgomery Advertiser says that on the afternoon of the 27th, "two detectives, Scarbrough and Brown, went to a house where Buckalew was known to so. Riley was fined and given a work- him and Buckalew. Whether both or house sentence, and was also placed neither were killed is not known, surgeon has gone to the scene." perintendent Gates, who was assaulted by a number of convicts in the prison in Yuma, Arizona Territory, on the 26th, is in a dangerous condition. Four of the convicts were killed by the guards. A petition to the Governor is being largely signed for the pardon of the convict Riggs, who shot the convict who was stabbing Superintendent Gates. Workmen unloading a carriage shipped from New York at the Pennsylvania depot, in Chicago, on the 28th, discovered in it the dead body of a man, wish his skull fractured and a gun-shot wound over the right eye. The body was identified as that of Barney Harren, a glass packer, of West Bridgewater, Beaver county, Penna. He left his home ton the evening of the 23d.

-Large double boilers in Holten's fire brickworks at Mineral Point, Ohio, exploded on the 28th, fatally scalding four persons and dangerously injuring five others. The fatally injured are Frank Horter, James Milward, W. Taunstagel and a boy named Graham

-A freight train on the Midland Railroad was derailed near Florissonit, Colorado, on the 28th, by a broken rail. Fireman Torbett and Brakeman Kelly were killed and Engineer Meyer fatally | which has yet been unearthed. lock, Penna., on the afternoon of the 28th. One locomotive and six cars were wrecked. William Stedden, engineer, and Joseph Dennison, fireman, were badly hurt. A freight train on the Illinois Central Railroad was thrown from the track in a deep cut south of and William Andrews, aged 30, pleaded guilty on the morning of the 25th, in Kingston, Ontario, of having set broken to atoms or wedged between same day, and the engine and twelve cars were thrown from the track. Ter of the wrecked cars caught fire and were destroyed. One engineer was

severely injured. -Sixteen new cases of yellow fever and no deaths was the report from Tampa, Florida, on the 28th, The weather is oppressively warm there.

-John Reddick, aged 55 years, was the 28th, by a car in the gangway o No. 4 slope of the Susquehanna Coa of snow fell at Fort Meade, in the 25th with the crew of the barge Victor, ing her clothing with kerosene, set fire Black I'ills. Temperatures of 20 de- which was wrecked on the 23d on to it. She was fatally burned. Moses

of the steam barge Chamberlain when Ohio, was found suffocated by gas in the tow line parted. The crew made a his room at the Howard House in! raft of the cabin and got ashore. When | Washington, on the 28th. Charles F. found they were in a perishing condi- Meyer, a young lawyer of Washington, was accidentally shot dead, on the evening of the 28th, by Jordan N. Israei, another young lawyer. They were in Israel's office examining a pis- continued prosperity to its possessor, tol on which Israel desired to obtain a and no doubt if the many colored gravepatent, when the weapon was accident- yards in that section were made to give | ticed it when she came in. ally discharged. The saloon of Peter up their dead the skeletons of not a Camp, at Russiaville, Indiana, was few would be found to be minus the blown up by dynamite on the morning right hand. The Southern blacks also of the 28th. A stable adjoining was believe that the big toe of a deceased also wrecked, and a man who slept friend, carried on the person, will keep there was badly injured.

-A telegram from Joliet, Illinois, says a telegraph pole, laid across the Rock'Island Railroad, between Menooka and Morris, early on the morning of the 28th, wrecked a freight train. Engineer John Mills and Fireman Orff were instantly killed, and the head brakeman was fatally injured. It is thought the miscreants intended to wreck the Kansas City express, due at that point at 4.20. The railroad William H. Lee, 45 years old, was company has offered a large reward and detectives are on the ground.

-An explosion resulting in the death of John Buckner and Alfred Steinbrook, and the severe injury of five others, occurred on the 28th at the ware Company, in Cleveland, Ohio. The firm manufactured a patented bow socket for buggy tops. The sockets are dipped in Japan varnish and then dried in ovens. One of the ovens exploded.

-A United Press despatch from New York on the evening of the 28th said: "It was reported early this evening that the body of A. T. Stewart had been found."

HUMAN SACRIFICES.

How the Revolting Practice is Car ried on in Africa.

The revolting custom of human sac-

rifice is carried on to a horrible extent on the upper Congo river, principally by the Bayanzı tribes. All slaves, both men and women, are liable to this barbarity. These people are under the impression that a man dying in this world is simply transferred to another, there to carry on exactly the same existance, requiring the same food and attendance. Upon the death of a chief his relatives or friends kill about half it has been found impossible to induce his slaves, men and women, to go with him, they say, to attend to his wants service, no matter how well adapted and to serve for his protection, it being they may be for the work. The tedious closely veiled, appeared on the platvery infra dig, for a chief to make his night parol along the desolate seashore entry into the next world without a is what they object to. The average certain following. The women are seashore negro would almost rather die strangled. A rope is put around the than to encounter the vague form of a neck of the victim; a man climbs a tree departed sailor man in the surf or on and ties a rope to a branch, the woman | the beach. being held up, so that when they let her go she is swung in midair in her These cause great merriment among the spectators, not is a sure sign that some one on the thinking that at least a great many of premises will die. If the cow bellows them will share the same fate sooner or twice the party marked for dissolution later. The men are beheaded. The will die in two days, two weeks or two victim is seated on a log of wood. Two months. Should the animal beliew five river, below the town. There was a stakes are then driven into the ground, times, which is a rare occurrence, a one on each side of him, and as high as his shoulder; bands are then put around | When a cock enters the house and crows his body, inclosing it in these stakes; therein, it means that the family will then two stakes are driven by his knees have visitors. To crow just outside the and two by his ankles, one at each door indicates that the residents of the side, and he is securely bound to them house will be suddenly called away on rain, blind and almost unconscious in with a rope. A ring of cane is then a mission. Sometimes an overfed hen put around the neck with several will make a sound which resembles the leaders of string, which are drawn up faint crowing of a young rooster. This and tied in a knot above his head; a is regarded as an evil omen, and the pliable pole about eighteen feet long 18 luckless hen 18 always decapitated then driven into the ground, nine feet when the owner is at all superstitious. from the man's seat. It is bent down just above the man's head; a small indigestion. The darkies have a verse open the piece of rope is fastened to the top of they repeat in this connection. It is his arms. the pole and the other end of the rope | this: is made fast to the knot above the man's head. This being now at very strong tension, the whole body is quite immovable, and the neck is stretched to its full extent. The executioner then makes his appearance. He makes a chalk mark on the poor fellow's neck; then, with one blow, severs the head from the trunk. The spectators at this seem to lose control of themselves. They tear down the head from the pole, and there is a ghastly scrimmage for it, often resulting in a free fight.

Gold in Ancient Cemeteries.

The gold which is now being dug out of the ancient cemeteries (huacas) at Hilandia, Central America, and other places near Tereira, has led more than 1,000 workmen to that spot, and a town has sprung up there within the last four years which now contains more than 50,000 inhabitants. Public attention is being turned to those regions, as the ancient burial places and deposits of the wealthy Cacique Caracal have not yet been discovered, and it is believed that his treasures were immensely more valuable than any

THE MARKETS.

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NEGRO SUPERSTITIONS.

Southern Darkies Who See an Omen in Nearly Every Animate Object.

The belief has prevailed among the Southern negroes for many years that the hand of a dead friend will bring away disease, and that the toes of an enemy can be used as charms to conjure their living enemies. Thus it is buy?" they originated the lines:

Wid dis boney toe, I'll bring dem woe, 'For daylight in de mornin.

Vougoo doctors--and there are plenty of them in the Southern States-carry on an extensive traffic in human bones and other portions of the body. They use the skull to perform a mystic ceremony for the sick, or to bring luck to a poverty-stricken family; the ears are employed in another ceremony, the outcome of which is to find out what your enemies are saying about you, and the other bones all have a mission to perform while the voudoo is humbugging works of the Topliff Carriage Hard- his victim. The voudoo doctor is usually a naturally smart darky, with a good flow of conversation, and as much inventive genius as a Bowery confidence man. In Washington of late the youdoos have become rather scarce, as liffe." the police arrest them as vagrants

whenever they put in an appearance. The country negroes in South Caroina, Georgia and portions of Florida have a very pretty and somewhat poetical superstition. During the stillness of the night, when the gentle swaying house, and, arrayed in my rusty alpine trees are singing their weird requiems, whole families will sit about their cabin doors and listen to this music of the forest. In its changing left. With the terrible suspicion in melody they hear the voices of the dead friends predicting good or evil for the tainty, I bent my steps, through wind future or revealing secrets of the

temb. No reward could induce the negro surfman on the North Carolina coast to walk along the beach at night, especially during a storm, when the ightning is flashing and the huge white-capped breakers come sputtering in on the sandy beach. They imagine they can see in the phosphorscent light the forms of sailors who were lost at sea, riding in astride of the huge billows. On account of this superstition negro coastmen to enter the life-saving

There are many minor superstitions with her trunk, and then they whirled among the colored people. If a cow away together. stops in front of a house and bellows it death will occur in less than one week. Scintists say the sound is caused by

> A whistling woman And a crowing hen Will never come To any good end,

The owl usually hoots three times. and increases the number of hoots to pened. four or five, the plantation negroes re- | are ill." gard it as an omen of sickness, starvation or death. To kill a cat means that him, a woman's sweet face, and as I the person who did the killing will have seven years of bad luck. To catch | gave way. a water snake on your fishing line is a sure sign that your enemies are trying to entrap and kill you. Thus the still held me; his dear, faithful arms. negro says:

> Catch a snake, Let him go,
> For death is a comin'
> Sho and sho.

To see a flock of crows hovering about your house is a very bad sign, and to drop your Bible while going to church indicates that the devil is after you. To see three white horses at the same time is an omen of death, and to find a toad frog in your path is a cer, and then I heard the explanation of tain sign that a marriage will shortly take place in your family. The aver. age Southern darky sees an omen for good or evil in nearly every animate and manimate object, and they believe in these omens almost as religiously as they do in the Bible.

Queer Love Letter.

Charlie had a queer smile on his face as he left me in the morning. I told expressed it to Kitty that she might him that I had intended to make a call with Mrs. Wickliffe, but had nothing to wear. He laughed and told me that I must get along for awhile with No day that ever dawned ended more what I had; that he was making too joyously than that. little money to buy anything.

"I won't be home at the usual time," he said at the door, "for I am expecting some friends." I wondered at his manner, and after he had gone sat down and had a good cry by my-

After I had sobbed myself into a better frame of mind, I went out and got down Charlie's common coat to went to the fellow's house, and said, in mend it. I emptied out the pockets the politest way possible: "Monsieur, What a mixture there was in those pockets. Three or four handkerchiefs, broken cigars, pencils, buttons and part of a letter. A letter!

I looked at that letter suspiciously. Then I did a mean thing, I opened it in this country was found in Virginia and read it. It was penned in feminine chirogra-

phy and ran as follows:

all ready and the navy blue is exqui- milk.

site. I shall come on Thursday, the 10th. Be sure and meet me at the station, and for goodness sake! keep

the whole thing a secret. There the sheet was torn off. I read these lines over and over, lost in wonder. What woman has a right to address my husband as "Dear Charlie?" I was so startled by the letter that I know Mrs. Wickliffe must have no-

"Are you not going to see the bride with me?" she asked. "I can't," I stammered out. I forgot when I promised to go that I had

nothing to wear!" "Why, my dear child, where is that handsome silk I saw your husband

"You must be mistaken," I faltered. "Oh, indeed, but there is no mistake about it, my dear. I saw him pay for it, and have it cut off; it was at Drayton's some three weeks ago; the handsomest navy blue, \$3 a yard.

The words of the torn letter flashed across my bewildered mind: "The dresses are all ready, and the navy blue is exquisite."

A sudden suspicion, a suspicion sharp as death itself, possessed my soul; o suspicion that some other woman had come between me and my husband. The room and its occupants seemed to reel before my eyes, but I controlled myself with a desperate effort.

"My husband must have bought the articles for another party," I said. "Ah, there is baby's voice. Pray excuse me for one moment, Mrs. Wick-

She went away with a pitying look in her eyes, leaving me as miserable as a woman can be.

About 3:30 I gave baby a sound dose of soothing syrup, and tucked him away in a crib; then I locked up the

paca, I sallied forth. I must know the truth. I went to my husband's office first. He had just my soul growing into a torturing cerand rain, toward the railway station. There was but one in our little country town, and the afternoon train was due at 4.

I truged on, and reached the depot ust as the train came steaming in. The very first man I saw was Charlie, his hat pushed back, his handsome face

in a glow of eager expectation. What I felt at that moment no words can describe; only a woman's foolish, fond, jealous heart may know. shrunk out of sight, and concealed myself behind some bales of cotton. In came the train, and in two minutes a little lady, all befrilled and

"Oh, Charlie!" "Ah, my dear, here you are!" And he took her in his arms and kissed her, and carried her off to a walting carriage. A porter followed

Standing there, like a guilty creature, in the wind and rain, with my woman's pride and my woman's love both outraged and insulted, I looked cure for all my pain. But I remembered baby.

I must live and endure for baby's sake. I turned my back upon the sullen water and my face homeward, and groped on through the mud and my misery.

The cottage was all alight when I came in sight of it, every window in a blaze. What if it had taken fire! The thought winged my weary feet. I rushed on breathlessly.

Charlie confronted me as I burst open the kitchen door, with baby in

"Well, bless my soul! Jennie, where under the sun have you been? I found the house all locked up and the poor child screaming itself to death, and I had to break open the When this uncanny bird forgets itself window to get in. What has hap-Jennie? Good heavens! you

> I caught a glimse of a face beyond recognized her my overstrung nerves Charlie caught me as I fell, and

> when I awoke to life again his arms Kitty-my sister Kitty-who had been off in Europe for years, stood near by, with baby in her arms.

> With my head on Charlie's shoulder, in pain and humiliation, I made my confession. His handsome eyes looked at me, full of grave tenderness, when he understood all. "Jennie's a little goose," said Kitty

as she kissed me and cried over me, the mystery.

Kitty was coming home, but she wanted to keep her coming a secret in order to give me a great and glad surprise. She was obliged to remain for some weeks in the city with the family for whom she had been governess for a number of years. Knowing this, and wishing to make my surprise doubly pleasant, Charlie purchased material for a couple of handsome dresses and have them stylishly made up.

I said that a day badly begun rarely ends well, but I must take it back.

4 French Wit's Revenge.

That was a neat compliment that a French wit paid to an enemy who had come and scribbled "Coquin" (blackguard) upon his door one night with a piece of chalk. Next morning the wit firs t and then got out my needle. you left your name at my door last night, and I have come to return the visit.

> -The first iron ore to be discovered in 1715.

People who suffer from nervous debility accompanied with dyspepsia, DEAR CHARLIE:-The dresses are ought for a time to live largely on