GERMANY'S CRISIS

PRINCE BISMARCK'S RESIGNATION ACCEPTED.

THE CAUSE OF HIS RETIREMENT.

just announced that Prince Bismarck's | across the tracks of the Michigan Cenaccepted by the Emperor at noon to-

All the members of the Imperial Ministry resigned at the same time Bismarck tendered his resignation, The report is repeated to-day that

the Emperor proposes to appoint General Von Caprivi, who is now com-

mander of the Tenth Army Corps, to the Chanceliorship.

It is stated in well-informed political circles that the present difference between the Emperor and Prince Bismarck is irreconcilable. It arises from the Chancellor's refusal to accede to a equest made by Dr. Windthorst, the leader of the Clerical party in Germany. to restore to the Duke of Cumberland, the claimant of the throne of Hanover, the larger portion of the Guelph fund.

The attitude of the Emperor in opposing Prince Bismarck in this matter is taken as an indication of his desire to conciliate the Clerical party. If the Government is to secure a working majority in the new Reichstag it cannot well get on without the party of the Centre, which Dr. Windthorst con-

LONDON, March 18 .- The following despatch has been received at the London office to-night, via Cologne, from your Berlin correspondent:

The great question discussed is who men incline to the idea that Dr. Hinzceller.

But even if the Chanceller goes, there is scarcely a doubt that Count Herbert Bismarck will retain his position as the head of Foreign Affairs. Herbert Bismarck will retain full power, while the Chancellor will be

retired with all the honors of war. Hereafter the Emperor will be his own Chancellor. If Hinzpeter does succeed Bismarck he will be little more than a private secretary to the Em-

peror. The immediate cause of the crisis is | 000 allotted to the Morgansea levee. obscure, but it is believed to be the Emperor's Socialist policy, which is having a great effect in international as well as in domestic affairs. The Emperor cajobes where Bismarck favors the cudgel.

Another despatch says: The belief increases that Count Herbert will remain. This causes confidence at the Bourse to-night. Herr von Boettioner is named as the Chancellor's successor. The World of Haute Finance of Berlin is not in the

least anxious about the future. BERLIN, March 19 .- The authenti reasons for Prince Bismarck's retirement are these: The Emperor asked him to remain as Chancellor, but to resign the Presidency of the Imperial Ministry, so that each Minister should be directly responsible to the Crown for his own department. This, of course, meant that the Emperor intended to be his own Prime Minister.

An answer was demanded by Monday night. None, however, arriving, the Emperor sent an aid-de-camp for Prince Bismarck's reply, which arrived the same night, in the form of a complete and absolute resignation of all his offices. Thereupon General Caprivi became the Chancellor, but not the Prime Minister. Eulengberg, whom Bismarck had displaced, got an important post. Waldersee, the Chief of Staff, suddenly started for Italy, to the immense surprise of everybody.

The Emperor's severe criticism on his work as the General of the Staff is supposed to be the reason of his departure. Prince Bismarck packed up and quited the Capital to spend his birthday at Friedrichsruhe and to become a country gentleman. The Voss Zeitung remarks on all this, that not a hand was raised nor a pen stroke drawn to induce the great Chancellor to remain in office; bitter satire on the tidelity of Bismarck's former par-

-John McCann, Charles Harris and Thomas Gallagher, prisoners in the jail in Montevista, Colorado, recently overpowered the Sheriff when he went to give them their evening meal, and escaped. The Sheriff and a posse stated in pursuit, and upon overtaking the fugitives were fired upon. The Sheriff returned the fire, and all three of the escaped prisoners were killed. None of the Sheriff's posse were injured.

-Near Hot Springs, in Madison county, North Carolina, a few days ago, a twelve-year-old son of S. D. Chambers accidentally shot and killed his mother. The father had just returned from Hot Springs with a valise containing some articles for the family. He put down the valise and stepped out when the boy looked into it to see what his father had brought him. He found a pistol and said to his mother, "See what pa brought home," The pistol was discharged, the ball striking

his mother in the breast. -A despatch from Cleveland, Ohio. says that Arthur Henry, the station agent and telegraph operator at Hartsburg, on the Nickel Plate Road, was murdered on the evening of the 18th. The office is in a store, and Henry slept there. A burglar gained an entrance to the store, and, on Henry's refusal to open the safe he shot him. Henry Leggett has been arrested in Bedford, Iowa, for murder. His wife and daughter, aged 12 years, were arrested for complicity. The murder for which the arrests were made was committed in Page county, near Sham-baugh, in 1886. The victim was the father of Leggatt's wife, who lived with his daughter. The crime was commit-ted for the old man's effects, which consisted of a gold watch, \$65 in money

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

-Mr. and Mrs. Lemuel Eastburn were killed on the 15th by their team being struck by a train as they were crossing the Reading Railroad at Bridgeport, Pa. Eastburn was a prosperous farmer in Upper Merion township. Henry Purdy, accompanied by BERLIN, March 18, 5 P. M .- It is his wife and daughter, was driving resignation of the Chancellorship was tral Road, in Jackson, Michigan, on the 15th, when the wagon was struck by an engine, and all three were killed. Henry Boes was killed, and his wife fatally injured, at Holland, Michigan, on the 15th, by being struck by a train.

-On the morning of the 15th a landslide in the southern part of Troy, New York, swept away the two-story brick residence of Patrick Canfield, and demolished the one-story frame dwelling of John Laurenson. Four families resided in Canfield's house. Mrs. Margaret Noonan and her daughter, Mrs. Johanna Hogan, both widows, and Annie Burns, 11 years old, were killed. Mrs. John Ahearn and infant, Thomas Laurenson and Mrs. Pat. Canfield, Jr., were injured, but not seriously.

-Reports received from the tobacco growing counties in western North Carolina show that at least one-third of the plants in the beds have been killed by the cold weather which prevailed on the evening of the 15th and 16th. The peach and apple crops are almost wholly destroyed. The mer- the 20th, shot and dangerously cury stood at 10 above zero on the wounded by a colored man named morning of the 16th

-The bodies of two Yale students, Edwin Rowe, Jr., a member of the senior scientific class, and Jarius Kennan, a member of the freshman scienwill be Bismarck's successor. Most tific class, were washed ashore at West pay his fare. Paven, on the 17th. On the morning peter will be the man. He is known of the 16th, they hired a small sail boat to be in sympathy with the Emperor's social reform and to entertain political views in direct opposition to the Chanhome about 5 o'clock in the afternoon SENATE. against a strong wind and a heavy sea. Their boat was dashed against the breakwater and the young men thrown into the water and both of them were

-Secretary Proctor, on the 18th, authorized the Mississippi River Commission to expend \$100,000 for the protection of levees along the Mississippl river in the fourth district, which extends from Warrenton, Miss., to the head of the Passes, a distance of 484 miles. This is in addition to the \$20,-

-The Mississippi river has fallen one-tenth of an inch at Vicksburg in 24 hours, and seven inches since the 15th. At Lake Providence, Louisiana, it is falling at the rate of 21 inches in 24 hours. The crevasse at Raleigh was, on the 19th, 3000 feet wide and 12 deep. The White river in Arkansas rose 10 inches at Clarendon on the evening of the 17th, and has since been rissing at the rate of an inch per hour. The town of Clarendon is inundated.

-The Denver and Rio Grande Southern Railroad, in Colorado, was opened over the Cumbres Mountain, on the evening of the 17th, after several weeks' effort. The snow along the track for miles is ten to thirty feet deep. The opening of the railroad will bring relief to the people of some of the interior towns, who were begin-

ning to get short of provisions. -Secretary Proctor has authorized an additional expenditure of \$50,000 for the protection of the levees on the Mississippi river, in the Third and Fourth Districts, making the total allotment for this purpose \$170,000.

-A telegram from Tallulah, Louisiana, says that all west of there is a vast sheet of water to the hills of Bayou Macon. The water in the overflowed section is not rising so rapidly, as it is finding its natural outlets. The road-bed of the Vicksburg, Shreveport and Pacific Railway has several feet to spare, and there is but little danger

of through traffic being suspended. -Joseph Nodak and his brother-inlaw a man named Sokoloski, had a disagreement in Braidwood, Illinois, on the evening of the 18th. Nodak, who was drunk, crept up to the window of Sokoloski's house and fired through the window where he supposed his victim was sleeping, instantly killing his daughter, Statsa Sokoloski, aged 14

in portions of Luzerne county, Penna. township, ten miles from Wilkesbarre,

disease being of a malignant type. -J. L. Sterrett, of Sterrettania, Penna, left St. Louis on the evening Mr. Sterrett's home. When the train 27th, was lost-yeas, 112; nays, 122. arrived at Cleveland, on the 20 h, the Bills were passed, under suspension stranger snatched Mr. Sterrett's of the rules, providing for a ceusus niless by the robbery.

-A heavy storm raged at Long Branch, New Jersey, on the 20th, and before noon the telegraph wires, both North and South, were down. The

in several places. the 19th. Conductor Riegle was badly limitation of the Arrears Act is reand several other train hands slightly

injured. -Dr. M. A. Rust, a prominent physician, in Richmond, Virginia, fell from a ladder on the 20th, at his resi-

dence and was instantly killed. -The new city directory in Baltimore contains 5033 more names than last year, indicating an increase in population of 16,537 souls and a present population of 518,888. This is figured on the basis of 31 persons to each

name. -A telegram from Havana, Cuba, says that the sugar crop, though much smaller than expected, will show an increase of 10 per cent. as compared with the previous crop. A largely in- the seat by a vote of 159 to 145. The creased area was devoted to cane cul- House went into Committee of the and a span of mules. Hugh Taylor ture last year. On some estates at Whole on the Pension Appropriation was also arrested for complicity in the Signa the crops are from 40 to 45 per bill, but the committee immediately cent. less than was expected.

-Frederick Jones, 19 years of age, a crayon artist, was arrested in St. Joseph, Missouri, on the 20th, for counterfeiting United States \$5 Trea-

sury notes. Jones's method of counterfeiting was peculiar. He used no dies, but made crayon copies of the genuine notes. The counterfeits are pronounced by the officers to be exceptionally deceptive. -Miss Jessie White, aged 19 years, committed suicide in Joliet, Illinois,

on the evening of the 20th, by shooting

herself through the heart. It is stated

that she had been persecuted by anony-

mous letter writers. -Edwin Cooper, ex-Treasurer of Greenfield, Wis., on the 20th, pleaded guilty of murder in the second degree, and was sentenced to 20 years' imprisonment. He killed his brother Peter a

few months ago. -Benjamin Grewell was lynched at Robinson Station, Kentucky, on the evening of the 19th, by a mob of about 20 persons. Two years ago Grewell defrauded the farmers in that locality by buying stock and paying for it with bogus checks. He then fled to the mountains, but ventured back, vainly thinking that his evil deeds had been forgotten.

-Thomas Halloran, a saloon keeper in Stamford, Connecticut, shot and killed Thomas Plunkett, in a drunken row on the evening of the 19th. E. B. McCurdy, conductor on the Louisville and Nashville Railroad, was on Daniels, and in return shot and killed his Harriet Redford, albeit she was the assailant. The tragedy occurred on a train at Bay Minette, Alabama, and grew out of an attempt by the conductor to eject Daniels for refusing to

In the U. S. Senate on the 17th, Mr. Cockrell rose to present a petition against the Extradition Treaty with Russia, but the Presiding Officer held that petitions relating to business pending in executive session should be presented in executive session. After debate, the Chair submitted the question whether the petition should be received in open session and it was decided that it should be. Mr. Voorhees offered a preamble and resolution declaring it the highest duty of Con- to spend the summer with his Aunt gress in the present crisis to give Ellen, on the farm adjoining his own. prompt attention to the adoption of such measures as are required for the relief of the farmers and other overtaxed and underpaid labors of the United States. The Educational bill came up as unfinished business, and was advocated by Mr. Daniel, of Virginia, and opposed by Mr. Morgan. The bill then went over. The Urgent Deficiency bill was considered, pending which the Senate adjourned.

In the U. S. Senate, on the 18th, Mr. Sherman, from the Finance Comt was passed with amendments, one of Willis' handsome and dashing son had here?" them authorizing the use of \$5000 for the relief of the Turtle Mountain Indians. Mr. Hawley spoke in opposition

000, the Senate adjourned. In the U. S. Senate on the 19th. A bill increasing the appropriation for a public building in Troy, New York, to \$500,000 was reported and placed on the calendar. Mr. Voorhees made a agricultural depression. The Blair Eductional bill came up as unfinished business, and Mr. Evarts spoke in support of the measure. The McKinley | ognize. Administrative Customs bill was reported and placed on the calendar.

Adjourned. 20th, Mr. Cockrell presented a protest from the Pork Packers' Association of St. Louis against the bill for the inspection of meats, which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relasumption that the bill required an inspection in all cases where the meat had been salted sixty days before exportation "was an entire misapprepension." A vote was taken on the -An epidemic of diphtheria is raging | Educational bill and it was defeatedthe yeas being 31 and the nays 37. Mr. awkward attempts to assist her. Its centre is the district around Lehman | Blair changed his vote to the negative. and entered a motion to reconsider. and many deaths have occurred, the After an executive session the Senate adjourned.

of the 19th, with \$2300 in his inside to suspend the rules and make the pocket. On the train he met an honest- Dingley bill, abolishing compulsory looking man who said he lived near pilotage, a continuing order for March pocket-book, and escaped. Sterrett is of the Chinese in the United States, an old man, and is said to be left pen- transferring the revenue cutter service to the Navy Department, and creating the offices of Assistant General Superintendent and Chief Clerk of the Railway Mail Service. Adjourned.

In the House, on the 18th, on motion surf ran high and strong all day, and of Mr. Merrill, of Kansas, a resolution Ocean avenue bluff was badiy damaged | was adopted asking the Secretary of the Interior for data relative to the -A freight train on the West Penn- payment of pensions, and an estimate sylvania Railroad ran into a rock near of the amount of money that will be heart!" Bagdad Station, Pa., on the evening of required to pay arrearages in case the pealed. The bill to repeal the Timber Culture laws was considered. The Pension Appropriation bill was considered in Committee of the Whole. Adjourned.

In the House, on the 19th, Mr. O'Neill presented a remonstrance from business men of Philadelphia against an increase of the duty on oranges and lemons. The Maryland contested case of Mudd vs. Compton was discussed, pending which the House adjourned.

In the House on the 20th, a bill was passed for a public building in York, Penua. The Mudd-Compton contested case, from Maryland, was taken up, and Mudd was declared entitled to rose and the House adjourned.

Grandmother's Waiting.

EBEN E. REXFORD.

GRANDMOTHER'S face is wrinkled, GRANDMOTHER'S face is wrinkled,
And her eyes have grown so dim
That she cannot read her Bible
Nor follow through the hymn.
And her hands are often idle,
For knitting tires them so,
But her brain is always busy
With thoughts of Heaven, I know,
Grandmother's waiting, waiting,
To hear God's summons given
And dreaming of her dear ones
Gone o'er the hills to Heaven.

It always thrills me strangely
To think of her waiting there,
At the gates of God's white city,
With its sun on her silver hair,
To meet her husband's kisses,
And to hear him softly say:
"I have waited a long time, darling,
For this happy, happy, day!"
Grandmother's waiting, waiting,
'lo hear God's summons given,
And dreaming of her dear ones
Gone o'er the hills to Heaven.

I think, sometimes, as I watch her,

I think, sometimes, as I watch her,
That sie sees them, for a smile
Breaks over her face, as she whispers.
"Yes, dear, in a little while."
Only a little more waiting.
This side of Paradise.
And grandmother will be young again
With her dear ones in the skies.
Grandmother's waiting, waiting,
To hear God's summons given,
And dreaming of her dear ones
Gone o'er the hills to Heaven.

THE LUCKY-BONE.

Robert Ellis walked slowly beneath the drooping orchard boughs, absently plucking the heads of the tall field daisies and apparently paying little attention to the chat of his companion, Miss

acknowledged beile of Broad Oaks. He knew that in the gossip of the neighborhood he and Harriet had long since been allotted to each other as a "suitable match;" and it was only a few months past that he had come to seriously consider the situation, and tried hard to persuade himself into a warmer feeling for the handsome, clever, and confident girl, whose liking for himself was sufficiently manifest to be flattering to his vanity, had he possessed of any.

The attempt, however, was suddenly cut short by the discovery that he had, without an effort and almost unknown to himself, fallen in love with Gracie King, the saucy, coquettish and altogether charming maiden who had come Then Robert had felt a conviction

that his fate was already fixed for him, and from that time had done his best to win Gracie's favor. But he was a quiet and rather shy

young man, with but little confidence in his own ability of bearing off the prize for which others besides himself were striving.

And she was such a flirt! How could e trust her when he saw how she carmet with small favor?

viction that she really cared for him.

And yet she gave him no encouragesarcastic, and even cold toward him so ter, Lucy, laughing. In the United States Senate, on the | that now Robert felt as though he could | give half of his estate to know whether she did really care for him.

Lowrey, with his straw hat, was making him; and she did."

In the House, on the 17th, a motion Robert Ellis of the little porcelain Wat- has for you." teau figures which he had seen in the city store windows -only that her face had in it so much more of character and expression.

"Oh, don't hurt him!" she cried, as Dick made a sudden swoop with the hat. "I only want to look at him awhile, and then let him go. There! I have him at last."

Harriet King laughed, and said in a tone which Robert did not quite like. And she looks just like a butterfy her- the first one that steps under is,

Gracie's next word seemed as answer to this question.

"Poor little thing! how his wings he forgot about it until an hour later. fly away and enjoy your little life while | confidential chat before parting. you may!"

hand, she wafted the insect into the

side ber. "How?" with an expression of iano-

cent inquiry. "Why, make captives of them, amuse yourself with them for awhile, shape to a horseshoe, which the super- of her trunk

poor insect."

"This one came fluttering around

selves aloof, I don't trouble myself to proaching the parlor door. catch them."

What did she mean? for her cheek flushed slightly, and she gave a queer little toss of her head.

Harriet glanced sharply at her, and a flush arose to her cheek also. It was clear that for some reason, these two two girls had no affection for each other.

Dick led Harriet aside to look at Uncle Ambrose's beehive. Gracie stood on the garden walk,

slowly plucking the petals from a growing rose.

"Are you going to the picnic next Thursday?" she asked, looking up at Robert with a half-shy, appealing look, as if in apology for her late sharp speech.

."I have not thought about it. Shall you go?"

"I don't know. They say it will be

Should he ask her to go with him? But why should he, when she would no doubt prefer Dick Lowrey's more agree-

able and entertaining society? He did not wish to force her into an unwilling acceptance of his company.

And while he stood hesitating, the half fearfully around. girl suddenly tore away the whole of the rose leaves and tossed them impapatiently into the alr.

As the two approached the house the lucky-bone, they found the family on the wide plazza enjoying the pleasant evening his own eyes. But then, with a shock air. Little Flossie, seated on the top of joy, came the sudden impulse to step, was busily polishing something on take advantage of this fortunate moher white apron.

"What have you there, Pet?" said Robert, with whom she was a specia favorite.

She held up a little horse-shoe shaped | face. chicken bone, white and shining as

brought me the big pear to-day. You know if you get the shortest piece and stick it over the parlor door you'll seized both her hands and held them under it."

"What nonsense!" laughed Gracie. 'You don't believe in that, do you

"Nancy says it's true, and she knows!" returned Flossie, with a sublime faith in the kitchen girl.

"Nancy isn't the only one who betee, reported a substitute for his Anti- ried on with Dick Lowery, whom he lieves in the charm of the lucky-hone in Trust bill, and it was placed on the knew that she did not much like? or bringing about marriages," said Aunt calendar. The Urgent Deficiency bill how hope to succeed where rich Squire Eilen smiling. "Ask Cousin Rebecca,

"To-be-sure," replied Miss Rebecca, Still he was constantly in promptly. "Why, I know of at least to the Blair Education bill. After Gracie's society; and there were two matches that were brought about passing 11 public building bills, mak- times when something in her by my lucky-bones. One of the parties ing appropriations aggregating \$1,655,- look or tone, or in the blush with was Sophy Jones, that I was brideswhich she greeted him, would stir in maid to-let me see-more than thirty his heart a wild hope and almost con- years gone, and she's dead now, poor creature. I recollec' as if 'twas yes-Of course she knew that he loved terday when I put that bone over the her; for though he had never had the parlor door and Billy Jones came speech on his resolution in reference to courage to tell her in so many words, walking in and stopped under it a minhe could see it at times in a certain con- nit to take off his hat and make a bow sciousness which he could not but rec- and they were married less than six months after."

"I dare say he knew about the bone ment, and was often capricious, and being there," said Flossle's grown sis-

"Well, he always gave out as he didn't and I know it twasn't so with the other match. That was your aunt | workers who, during business hours do It was to Gracle's gay voice and light | Liza's own. We was spending the day laughter, and not to Harriet's, that he at the Wither's and she got the luckytions. Mr. Sherman said that the as- was now listening, as they came float- bone at dinner, and who should walk ing across the garden-hedge, and pres- right under it but your Uncle Jeems, ently he came in sight of her, as, with that she'd never set eyes on before! uplifted arm and airy pose, she strove to Then she whispered to me that her lot atch a gorgeous butterfly, while Dick | was fixed, and she'd have to marry

> "I dare say she'd have married him In her transparent pink dress and all the same if there'd been no lucky of Philadelphia takes one hour to eat, fluttering ribbons, and with her fleecy bone in the case," laughed Aunt Elgolden curls waving beneath the brim len. "But you can try your fortune in while the New Yorker only takes from of her light garden hat, she reminded the same way Robert, and see what it

Flossie eagerly held out her prize and while she held on to the other with both | dies for dyspeptics and nervous wrecks. hands.

A struggle ensued, seeming on her part as if for life and death, but the bone snapped in Robert's fingers. "I am sorry Flossie-" he com-

menced; but she interrupted him. "Well, I'm glad, 'cause I'm not old enough yet to get married, and you "How characteristic that is of Gra- are. Now you'll put it right over the cie! To catch him and let him go! parlor door, and you'll be sure to marry

self. I wonder if she really has a He laughed at the prophecy, and carelessly slipped the homely charm into his vest pocket as Harriet and Dick Lowrey came up the steps. Then

tremble! Don't be afraid, my little Dick Lowrey, who was to drive Harbeauty. I would not hurt a hair of riet home, had gone out to see about your head-I mean a feather of your his buggy, and Harriet was upstairs downy wing-for the world. There, with Lucy, having a few moments' Robert Ellis and Gracle were alone

And with a light, soft motion of her in the parlor. He drew out his watch. and with it came the lucky-bone. "Ah, I had forgotten my promise to

"Do you treat men as you do butter- Flossie," he said; and reaching up, flies?" inquired Robert, as he stood be- placed the charm above the door. "I wonder how that foolish

nation came to be so popular?" said

and then send them off as you did that ! stitious piace over the housedoor, for luck," he replied.

And just then light footsteps were me. If men and butterflies hold them- heard coming down the stairs and ap-

The eyes of both turned thither, and Robert did not see how his companion's cheek changed color, and she seemed to be unconsciously holding her

breath. Lucy passed the door, and Harriet followed, paused and seemed about to enter, when Aunt Ellen's voice was heard calling to her, and she passed

"There!" you have just missed your fate!" said Gracie, laughing.

"Perhaps it is only postponed," he answered, lightly. "But you will excuse me while I step out and deliver a message to Dick for Squire Willis? It will save the squire a long ride in the morning."

The buggy was coming round to the gate, and Robert stood on the porch and waited for it.

Involuntarily his eyes turned to the parlor window, through which, himself invisible, he could see Gracie seated as he had left her.

bright and her cheeks flushed with a changing color. He saw her rise and stand looking

How pretty sne was, with her eyes

for an instant, hesitating, and looking Of what was she afraid?

But while he watched she glided swiftly across the room to the door al-What a changeable incomprehen- most on tip toe, looked up, and delibsible creature she was! Robert thought, erately placed herself-exactly under

At first Robert could hardly believe ment-to surprise her before she could escape him.

With a step as light and noiseless as her own he stood before her, face to

"Gracie!" he said, in a low voice, that trembled in its earnestness, "do "I got it at supper. It's a lucky- you know where you are standing? Do bone, and I mean to let you pull it with you know that it is you whom fate has me, Cousin Robert, because you sent to me. Tell me, dear, that I may claim you?"

What could she say or do? He had marry the first pretty lady that stops firmly, while his eyes sought hers, and with crimson blushes and a sudden gush of tears she yielded to her fate.

It was scarcely a moment in which they stood thus; but that brief time sufficed to secure the heart-happiness of each.

Harriet and Dick, as they entered the hall, could both see enough to convince them that their own hopes wer at an end; and perhaps this was the beginning of a sympathetic tie between them, for their marriage took place

about the time of Robert's wedding. "I always said," remarked Cousin Rebecca, as she knitted a tollet-tady for a wedding-present, 'I always did hold and maintain that there's virtue in lucky bones. A body can't tell exactly how it comes about; but this is the third match that I've known to be brought on by a lucky-bone. The wonder is that the folks don't try it more frequently."

The Difference Between The Two

Two of the largest cities in the Union, New York and Philadelphia are in close proximity-only about two hours apart, with an immense difference in their respective business lives. New York may be likened to a Bee Hive with its vast multitude of busy not take time to eat. All is a rush and an excitable activity, while the business element of Philadelphia moves in a slow, easy manner, and does not feast on its nervous vitality. The Philadelphian eats slow, lives slow and dies slow, while the New Yorker eats fast, lives fast and dies fast. The average business man masticate and relish his noon meal, five to fifteen minutes to gulp down his, and is at work before his food has had time to settle. No wonder the New he took one end in his strong fingers, York press is full of advertised reme-

Population in the South.

Recently gathered statistics show that the present population of the southern states is 19,489,150, as against 14,638,936 in 1880, being an increase in ten years in the whole south of over 33 per cent. The white population of the South has increased a little over 3,200,-000, being now 12,218,433, while the colored population shows an increase in ten years of about 1 600,000, being at this time 7,270,720.

Contest of Colors.

Up in the red man's country, in which representatives of nearly all races appear to have congregated, there was a fistic contest between Messrs. Blue and White, and strangely enough they were both black. The black men were arrested by the red man and tried before a white man. It was not a war of races or of color.

-A little girl, 5 years old, has arrived in Patterson, N. J., having traveled by rail alone from Saginaw Ciry, Mich. The child, at the request of her Gracie, with a little half-scornful smile.

"Probably from the resemblance in