THREE WISHES.

It was years ago, when I was a child, A fairy came to me; "Now, look at your heart and wish,"

she smiled: "You shall have wishes three. Look deep in your heart and wish,

she said, "For what you wish shall be."

I looked in my heart-I was but a child-

And I wished for a red, red rose, The sweetest, the largest, the reddest flower

That in any garden grows. It came and it withered with an hour; Flowers fade, as every one knows.

I looked in my heart-I was box child-

And I wished for a milk-white dove. It came, and surely never before Had any bird such love.

One day it unfolded its wings and flew Far into the heaven above.

I looked in my heart-I was but a child-

Yet a child can be so wise: "Give me what's sweeter than any sweet rose, More fair than the dove that flies,

A lover, affectionate, good and true! Twas then I looked into your eyes.

BARRAUD'S VENGEANGE.

ture lay beneath.

"The story! Let's have the story!"

tering the profession"-there was only forward to greet my divinity. one profession in Deuchars's eyescast for a very minor part, indeed, but it.

lines. "He was a good actor and the clevvolunteered to play the part. He eyed patches. for he said:

sake be quick.

termed my sneaking ways.

"So much for Barraud. I did not see to shiver slightly. him again for nearly two years, during "At last he broke the silence, which which I played the hero nightly with was fast growing oppressive. -modesty forbids me to say more than Well, M'sieur Deuchars, co I not a fair amount of success. And now, make a charming young lady? Does having got rid of what a novelist would not your mouth water when I cast my call the prologue, let me commence in eyes up at you—so? I suppose you

earnest with the story. ing concert somewhere in the suburbs raud never forgets. I have waited cended the platform I became con- You see that?" he said, breaking off with lashes that seemed to droop in- for the last time." stinctively to conceal their depths of "The emphasis he threw into the last

ing at me at the same moment, and him to resume. seemed to play between us.

"I was encored, and this time I responded, going no further from the have a nice, quiet conversation-we eastern portion, without regard to its of pressure. platform than just out of sight of the will recall old memories—and by that situation, is always deemed the most audience. When I reascended it, the time, my very dear friend, the stage desirable. This preference arises from seat she had occupied was empty. I manager will be saying to himself: the old tradition that our Lord will the blood; for example, tight gloves of- field before the game in dress suits and

room a surprise awaited me. A tiny for the understudy is away and there of the southern, western and northern peded circulation, and to their exposure the visiting team. They suffered a denote lay on my bundle of songs, with is no one who can take Deuchars's in order. In England it was once the to cold winds after they have been feat by the ignominious score of 19 to my name on the envelope. Instantly I part-ah! you are surprised to find custom to bury felons and other bad washed. jumped to the conclusion that it was that I know anything about that, are characters on the north side of the connected with the owner of the lovely you not?" face, and tore it open in a little flutter of excitement. Inside was just a plain he prolonged his words until a cold for the Welsh designation for the card, and traced in pencil, in a dainty perspiration came out all over me as east wind: "The wind of the dead feminine hand, this:

"'Come and see me. I have some-

thing to tell you.'

by I could isentify her. She gave an paper in that hat of yours. On one gian ports exceed thirty,

arddress, 15 Osborne Terrace.

mind was soon made up.

fair correspondent.

I stammered and looked foolish. I understand?' had forgotten that I did not know her

way, please?'

of boudoirs. Rich curtains and rugs, time, for how did I know that he the thick axminster on the floor, and would keep faith even if our bout with the array of little ornaments scattered chance resulted in my favor. profusely around the room proplaimed ed, brought back vividly to my recol- hand, and placed them in it. lection the circumstances of our last meeting.

"Take my advice, Morris. Leave coldly; and, seeing that he was about off the victorpretty faces alone or you'll get into a to speak, I added; 'But will you please "A loud knocking at the door interscrape—as I once did," he added re- acquaint your mistress that I am here? rupted me. But I had caught the It was Max Deuchars, the well-known a servant. I had heard that since his the window and should with all my baritone, who had spoken, and the dismissal he had contracted habits of strength: 'Jack! help! Jack!' room instantly divined that an adven- intemperance and gradually sunk own "He raised the revolver, but I was

the social ladder. we cried, with one accord, and some hesitation, during which he appeared Fiercely he strove to wrench himself one, with delicate forethought, filled undecided whether to continue the con- free, but I held on like grim death, till versation or accept rebuff, he chose the Jack Albery and another man burst Well, I suppose there is one, if you latter and vanished. Five minutes, into the room. Barraud's little scheme care to call it such," he said, "so here perhaps, elapsed. Again the curtain was foiled. He saw it, and had the goes. Most of you remember my en- divided, and this time-ah! I stepped good sense to give in quietly.

but you probably did not know that it keeping you waiting, Mr. Deuchars, to the club as arranged, and my miswas pure accident that gave me my she said. 'I hardly dared hope that sive was duly delivered to him. He first chance. But so it was. I was you would find time to pay me a vis- thought nothing of it, and proceeded

I was always ambitious, and even then "Beauty has but to express a wish time passed and I did not arrive, he had understudied Barraud, the prin- and it immediately becomes a com- began to wonder what had happened. cipal baritone, so thoroughly that I mand,' I replied in my most tender Then, in feeling for something in his was practically word-perfect in his manner, and bent low to take her hand pocket, he chanced to pull out my note when-

"'Ho! ho! ho! ho!-ha! ha! ha!' erest I have ever known at make-up, "A burst of derisive laughter check- on the previous occasion. It was the but careless and indifferent and en- ed the gallant intention and caused me card I had received at the concert. dowed with a temper the reverse of to start back in dismay. A furious "Ir the hurry of the moment, when serene, which caused him to fly off clutch at a flaxen wig, the sound of a pencilling my message, I must have at a tangent on the slightest provoca- dress being roughly torn down the written on the back of that instead of tion. One night he falled to show up middle. Barraud! Again! It was a my own card. He waited another few at the proper time. Dickenson, the grotesque figure that confronted me, minutes and then decided to come in manager, was at his wits' end. The Shreds of feminine attire clung to him searth of me, feeling sure that it was regular understudy was taking a holi- here and there, and the hasty wipe he no trivial affair which would keep ma day. The audience could not be paci- had given his face had had the effect from the theatre. For prudence sake fied much longer, and he was at a loss of distributing the grease paint and he bad taken a companion, and they what to do. Then I stepped in and powder on it in blotchy, uneven arrived, as I have described, just in the

me dubiously for a second or two, but "Then I comprehended. I have said "Well, my friends, that is about all. I suppose I looked pretty confident, that he was a consummate master of I was not anxious, as you may guess, the art of make-up, and his slight, for the affair to become public prop-'All right; try-and for goodness girlish frame had lent itself to his tal- erty, and we let Barraud off, after ent with marvelous effect. I had been profising that he would clear out of

A few weeks later, when Barraud's "And now! For what purpose had he intentions. However, I heard a day or engagement required renewing. Dick- lured me into his power? For in his two afterward that his brain had be enson offered me the part as a per- power I felt that I was. There was a come completely deranged and that he manency. Naturally, I accepted. This gleam of incipient madness in his eyes was confined in a lunatic asylum."turned the chagrined baritone's resent- and the smile of mocking triumph on Tit-Bits. ment against me, though his dismissal his patched and powdered features gave was entirely the result of his own neg- him the appearance of some unreal, ligence, and he went away uttering fantastic figure; some bizarre concepvows of vengeance against what he tion of an overheated imagination. A sense of impending danger caused me

thought that because my revenge was "I had been asked to sing at a morn-long in coming I had forgotten. Barin aid of a charity. Immediately I as- long for an opportunity, but nowscious of the surpassing beauty of one suddenly. It was a revolver, and I face among the row after row in front looked apprehensively at the polished of me. The girl did not look more barrel. 'Shall I tell you what I prothan 19 or 20. The exquisite contour pose to do with it? But let me connose, and above all, her eyes, fringed well this afternoon, exceedingly well-

hazel, all went to make up a face that words confirmed my worst suspicions, was well night perfect in its loveli- and I heard my heart beat faster. Bitterly I cursed the headstrong foolish-"I had a hazy idea of having seen ness which had placed me in his grasp. her before somewhere, but could not I looked round the room. I was caught resolve it into anything definite. Each like a rat in a trap. There was appartime a few bars' rest gave me the op- ently only one exit, and he sat guardportunity I looked down upon her, ing that and toying carelessly with the extraordinary aptitude for learning Strange to say she was generally gaz- revolver. I waited in trepidation for other languages; but their pronuncia-

our glances met. Once I could swear "'It is now 5:35. At 6:20 or soon tural sounds.-New York Times. that she even smiled at the circum- after you ought to be at the theatre; stance and lowered her eyes purposely. is not that so? But you will not be It was the same during my second there, make up your mind to that. I song. A subtle kind of magnetism propose to-to-what you cail kill two Probably few people know that there birds with one stone.'

was disappointed, and racked my brain "Where the dickens is that Deuchars?" appear from the east. It is also had consequently been dubbed "waltagain to think where I had seen her. He will begin to fret about and get ex- lieved that the dead in the eastern por- the hands. In early youth redness of ers" by the bleachers crowd. "When I returned to the artists' cited, as he did on a former occasion, tion will be the first to rise; then those the hands is as often as not due to im-

I sat there helpless and inert.

"'So much for the stage manager; I men's feet." shall consider that we are quits. For "I was at once elated and disappoint- you, my dear friend, I have another In Antwerp alone nearly 4,000 horses | night. ed. Elated because I felt that my method. At seven o'clock I shall in- were used las' year for human conguess was correct; disappointed that vite you to play a little game of chance sumption. The aumber of shops dealing

other mine You may then take one TORPEDOES FOR DEFENSE, "I looked at my watch and hesitat- other, mine. You may then take one I could spare half an hour and out; I give you the privilege of drawstill be in time for the theatre. My ing. If it bears your name, you will GUARDING A HARBOR WITH THESE EN-

be free-you will have won the game. "Taking a card out of my pocket, I If mine is the name, I have won, and scribbled a few lines on the back has- at 7:30 o'clock I shall shoot you tily. 'Dear Jack,' I wrote, 'Awfully through the head with this revolver. I sorry I cannot meet you as promised. give you half an hour, you see, to pre-Pressing engagement-Max.' They pare. I have only one more thing to were to Jack Albery, our tenor. I had say. Do not make any attempt to espromised to meet him at the club and cape; it will be useress, as I have here go down to the theatre together after- an effectual means of preventing it. ward. That much accomplished, I Another thing; the servant who let proceeded to the address given by my you in at the door is my wife; she is the only person in the house besides "'I---' I began to the trim house- ourselves. You need not waste your maid who answered my ring, and then breath in calling out, therefore; you

"He ceased, and I was left to my own thoughts. What they were you "The girl smiled behind her apron. a madman, of course, there was little It's all right, sir. Will you come this doubt. I had something over an hour on which to ponder on the very slender "She showed me into the daintiest chance of life I possessed after that

"If the worst came to the worst, I its owner to be accustomed to luxury. was resolved to make a fight for life, A second or two later the curtains at any rate. I would not sit there and opened and in walked, not she whom be done to death like a dog. Another was expecting, but-Barraud! I gave fifteen minutes-seven! As the last a start of amazement. I had pretty chime fell on the silence he got up. nearly forgotten his existence; but the My hat lay on a table near by; careinsolent smile, just showing the white fully he measured two pieces of paper of his teeth, on his face as he advanc- of exact size, wrote on them in a firm

"'Now, let us take our little gamble with Dame Fortune. Monsieur "'So we meet again, Mr. Deuchars?" Deuchars, I invite you to draw. If "'It seems that we do,' I replied she favors you, very good; if I come

My time is limited.' I took him to be sound of a voice I knew. I rushed to

on him before he could draw the trig-"Much to my relief, after a moment's ger, and pinned him with my arms.

"Their opportune arrival was brought "I must apologize most humbly for about in this way: Jack went down to the theatre in due course, but as the again. This time he was surprised to see some writing he had not noticed

nick of time.

"I tried, and-well, I made a hit. tricked, duped, deceived completely. the country and give up his murderous

How Gypsies Electi

Tzigane tribes in Hungary elect their chiefs every seven years. The election of these "volvodes," as they are termed, takes place by universal suffrage. As soon as the name of the successful candidate is proclaimed he is applauded; the musicians of the tribe play and sing and a silver crown, the insignia of his office, is placed on the chief's forehead. Then he is presented with a plate of meat, ornamented with flowers, and a bottle of which he breaks the bottle. Then the new chief delivers a long speech to his the laws of their nation, after which every member of the tribe shakes of her cheeks, the shapely mouth and gratulate you before I do. You sang hands with the new "King," and promises obcdience to his orders. The selection winds up with an elaborate

feast and dancing. Among themselves the Tziganes speak their native language, which contains a number of foreign words. Like the North American Indians, they join to their family name another name, which corresponds to the character of the individual. They have an tion is always strange and full of gut-

Best Part of a Cemetery.

is a choice side to every cemetery. neckbands and tight waistbands. Many 1888, at the Polo Grounds, in New "'In the next hour you and I will Thus in some parts of the world the church. The custom of laying the dead "With callous refinement of torture in a certain direction is responsible source of trouble—the remedy is to dry

she had given no name, nothing where- with me. I shall place two pieces of exclusively in horseflesh in the Bel-

GINES OF DESTRUCTION.

Secrecy of the Work of Placing the Torpedoes---Planted All Over a Harbor, and Connected With the Shores by Electric Wires --- Various Kinds of Torpedoes.

An expert on explosives in the emterrible destroyers.

Havana, no matter what its cause," that the loss of a ship is likely to be he said, "has drawn general attention absolute in such cases.

in this manner, if at all. conducted with more privacy than that danger is disclosed.

or at any other time.

"Torpedoes are of metal, cylindrical Gazette, in form, about four feet in length and a foot or more in diameter. This quantity is sufficient to blow a hole through the bottom of any ship affoat, if exploded under water within fifty feet of her hull. The installation of 500 or little-used places in a house, which 600 torpedoes, the number for the complete protection of this port, could be healthfulness, and in ways which are the necessary electric connections and cellars of many houses have much to instruments on shore. When com- answer for, for as a rule they are pleted no visible trace of the work dark and damp, with no direct rays to cause the explosion of one to set off sible, to keep them dry and clean,

He could so govern the electric current often overlooked. that any given torpedo would be exploded the instant it were touched by an approaching ship. Or he could explode the charge at the proper moment

tact with a ship. wine, which he drinks at once, after ted a large number of torpedo cases eating and drinking. The conversaamong the ports most exposed to at- tion of the women, I found, was most tack. And in addition to the fixed and conventional, and one could invariably tribe, and recommends them to respect submerged torpedoes there are the au- anticipate the same remarks upon an tomobile or dirigible torpedoes, of introduction to a lady. Knowledge of which there are several descriptions. French, which I was surprised to find These may be discharged from a ship few could speak, is considered the or the shore, attain a high speed under most graceful feminine accomplishwater by means of compressed air or ment. electric energy, and are directed in The kitchen, however, has for the their movements by electric wires, lady of the land a peculiar fascina-

Health Notes.

on the proper circulation of good blood example if they choose." throughout the body. Good blood depends on the assimilation of digested food of the right quality.

Anything which interferes with the cases of red nose are due to some form York.

Red hands, tco, are often due to some impediment in the circulation of conspicuous by marching about the

from a chapped skin-a very frequent fallen into the soup!" the hands very thoroughly, and to crowd and was shouted all over the strengthen and soften the cuticule by grounds. The newspapers repeated it means of glycerine rubbed on while the in the accounts of the game and the hands are moist, and also of putting theaters promptly took it up .- New on and wearing loose kid gloves at York World.

Glycerine is a safer application than the growth of hair on the face and taken from the weters of Biscayne

A simple but effective remedy to remove the swelling and inflammation of a sprain which causes great pain consists of three drops of turpentine and the yolk of an egg, beaten together very thoroughly. Rub the sprained part every morning and night with Latest News Gleaned from this.-London Mail,

The Warfare of the Future.

The modern warship has not yet been thoroughly tested, and there is ploy of the Government at San Fran- much uncertainty as to how the moncisco, and who is particularly familiar sters will behave in actual fighting. with the handling of large torpedoes. They are so ponderous, and at the gave some interesting information to same time so complicated, that but a Chronicle reporter regarding the a slight mishap is likely to render manner of placing and directing these them helpless. The quick destruction of the Maine from an explosion and "The explosion which destroyed the the rapid sinking of the British Vicbattle-ship Maine in the Harbor of toria from the blow of a ram show

to the importance of torpedoes as a There is also uncertainty as to the means of harbor defense. It was rec effect on a warship of the continued ognized, from the very moment of the fire of its own heavy ordnance, and disaster that the destruction of the in the case of the double-decked turgreat armor-clad ship might have been rets now under construction it is due to a torpedo. And so inquiries feared they may prove top-heavy and have naturally arisen as to the extent turn the ship over like a turtle. If a to which American ports are protected torpedo lestroyed the Maine the efficacy of these explosives is shown, and "No work of the War Department is if it is an unavoidable explosion a new

which pertains to the use of torpedoes In 1881 the British ship Petrel blew for harbor defense. No published re- up in the Straits of Magellan from her ports of any bureau or department of store of explosives, and only last year, the government of the United States off the island of Crete, there was a indicate what plans have been adopted serious explosion on a Russian battle for the placing of torpedoes, or at what ship. All of these incidents tend to particular point it is proposed to es- confirm the belief of naval authorities tablish them, either in the case of war that the warfare of the future will be full of horrors.-Worcester (Mass.),

Cellars and Health.

In towns and the country alike it is the dark corners, the neglected and most frequently contribute to its unaccomplished in a few weeks. This the more insidious because so often would include the laying of the sub- unsuspected , says the ... fladelphia merged wires and the establishment of North American. In this respect the would remain. The location of the from the sun to kill the mephitic gases electric station would be so masked as which always seek low levels, and to be wholly concealed from observa- no ventilation to disperse them, even tion. When fixed in their proper posi- where the cellars themselves are not tions, in accordance with the most im- made the repositories of cast-off rubproved modern methods, the torpedoes bish and vegetable refuse. The warnwould be 100 feet apart. As the de- ing, however, cannot be too often given structive area of each is measured by to look to it that the cellar is not nega radius of fifty feet, to place them lected. Its ceiling and walls should be closer together than 100 feet would be plastered and whitewashed where posall the others in the same line or and the occupants should prevent group. The preferred arrangement or their cellars from becoming places grouping is the quincunx, a system of- where rubbish may be shot. The floors ten adopted by orchardists in the should be well paved or cemented to planting of trees to insure the greatest keep out emanations from the soil, and where practicable they should be ven-"It is the electrical control of these tilated by keeping open, in dry weathterrible engines of warfare that makes er, windows or doors communicating them most dangerous and effective. with the outside air. They act slowly Each of a long line of them over which but none the less surely. Frequently a ship must pass in entering the har- they are not noticed at all, although bor would have its designated number, damp and mouldy cellars have unand a chart in the hands of the opera- doubtedly done much to undermine the tor or his assistant would show the health of many families. This cellar precise location of each, as measured air is taken up through the rooms of from certain fixed points of observa- a house gradually and in small tion. By means of his delicate instru- doses at a time, produces an upward ments the operator could in a moment current every time the cellar door is test the electric connections of any opened, and neglect in regard to this single torpedo, and so ascertain if all matter is sure to entail serious conwere in readiness for an explosion. sequences, because the real reason is

Society in Siberia.

"At one of the grand balls I attended by the pressure of a finger upon the at Krasnoyarsk," writes Thomas G. key of his instrument. If all were Allen, Jr., of "Fashionable Siberia," in proper order and condition no ene- in the Ladies' Home Journal, "I was my's ship or fleet of ships could pass impressed by the profusion of flowers within the harbor, unless, perhaps, in used in the decoration of the ballroom the darkness or shielded from view by and which had been imported from a heavy fog: Even in those circum- Europe at enormous expense, and also stances the torpedoes would be ef- by the importance given to the matter fective if the attack were anticipated, of refreshments. Although there ap- law's restrictions. for the electric current could be so reg- peared to be about four girls to one ulated that each would explode on con- man, the male portion of the company spent the greater part of the "The War Department has distribu- evening at the buffet, or zokoosi table,

which are reeled off as the machine tion. Very often while dressed in rushes onward to the object of attack." silks and satins, and conversing with her guests, a hostess will proceed to fry a 'blin' or pancake, and eat it with the greatest gusto. The other ladies A good complexion depends largely are at liberty to follow the hostess'

"In the Soup."

This expression comes from the Gerproper circulation of the blood tends man, some say, but its birth as slarg to make the complexion poor; for ex- took place at a game of baseball beample, tight lacing, tight shoes, tight tween New York and Chicago in June,

It seems that the members of the Chicago team had made themselves The game was a disastrous ore for

At the close an enthusiastic New Where redness of the hands preceeds | York rooter yelled, "The waiters have

This took the fancy of the excited

A sponge with the great circumfervaseline, because vaseline increases enco of five feet six inches has been Bay, Florida.

THE KEYSTONE STATE.

Various Parts.

THE COMMISSION WINS.

The Lobigh Coal Region a Harvest for Unlawful Liquor Dealers-Singular Fall That Will Likely Cause Death of Nurse and Child-A Lucky Woman Finds Wealth Hidden in a Spring House.

A decision was handed down by the Su-

preme Court in the matter of the appeal of the Commonwealth from the decision of the Dauphin County Court, in its suit against Amos H. Mylin, Benjamin J. Haywood, Samuel J. M. McCarrell and Henry K. Boyer, which was an application for an injunction restraining the defendants, who are members of the commission for the erection of the State capitol building, from proceeding to award contracts, etc., for the erection of the building, which injunction the Dauphin County Common Pleas Court refused. In disposing the case, the Court says: "In Cope and Stewardson, against Hastings, et al., 183, Pa. 300, referring to the powers and du les of the State Capitol Commission, it was said that 'the location upon or near the site of the old Capitol Building, the colonial style of architecture and the eost, not to exceed \$500,000,' were fixed by the act, and were mandatory upon the commissioners and every one dealing with them. 'So, to a lesser extent was the fire-proof character of the building, but everything else was left to the discretion of the commissioners under the general direction that the building should 'in their judgment, be adapted to the present and future use of the General Assembly, its officers, committees and em-ployees.' The extent of the commissioners' authority, the nature of their duties, etc., having been definitely settled by our brother, Mitchell, who wrote for the court in those cases, they are no longer open questions; and, until it is shown that the commissioners have exceeded the authority vested in them by the Act of Assembly, as thus construed by this Court, they should be permitted to proceed in the proper discharge of their duties without further delay. A careful consideration of the record before us, has led us all to the conclusion that, in the absence of sufficient proof to overcome the legitimate effect of the defendants' responsive answers to the material averments of fact contained in the bill, as amended there is nothing to justify the granting of a preliminary injunction. The controlling questions in the case have been so satisfactorily disposed of by the learned President of the Common Pleas that further discussion of any of them is unnecessary. On his opinion, the decree denying the motion for a preliminary injunction, is affirmed, and the appeal is dismissed at appellant's cost."

Held a Crowd at Bay.

Michael Casteline, of Minersville, is said to have robbed his fellow boarder, Peter Duran, of considerable money and valuables and fied to Pottsville. Duran followed him and arrived just in time to stop him from receiving money on a check to which he is alleged to have forged Duran's name. Duran seized Casteline on Centre Street and called upon the police. Casteline broke away, and drawing a revolver and razor, kept a crowd of about 500 at bay for several minutes. Duran finally seized and wrested the weapon from his hand before he could discharge it. Alderman McCool committed Casteline to jail without bail on five charges, burglary. larceny and attempt to kill being the more serious.

Traveling "Speak-Easles."

The Cross Creek Coal Company, which operates mines at Drifton, Eckley, Buck Mountain, Stockton, Coleraine, Derringer and Oneida, has issued notices to all traveling "speak-easies" to keep off their premis-What is known as the traveling "speak easy" in the coal regions, is a wagon loaded with grog and beer, and this is driven around from door to door in the different mining patches and the liquor sold by the pint, quart or even by the drink as the customer wants it. There are in the Lehigh region more than twenty-five hucksters, who make their rounds daily and sell their stuff to all purchasers, regardless of age or the

Crushed Under a Woman.

A singular accident befell Mrs. John Heiptly, aged 65 years, and a three-year-old infant of Mr. and Mrs. George Griffiths of Pottsville. The woman was employed in the family as a nurse, and while carrying the infant she tripped over a piece of carpet and fell headlong down a flight of twenty steps. The infant's skull was badly indented by striking against the washboard and its body crushed beneath the woman's weight of 200 pounds, Mrs. Helptly dislocated her shoulder and received serious internal injury. It is believed both will die.

Deserted Forty-One Years.

Thomas Stroke, of Stroudsburg, aged 71 years, brought political influence to bear on Prothonotary William L. Decker, in a second effort to secure a marriage license, that he may be united to Miss Winters, aged 44 years. But the Prothonotary remains obdurate, claiming that Mr. Stroke has not produced sufficient evidence to show that his other wife is dead, even though she left him 41 years ago.

\$2000 Pot of Gold.

In addition to the gold recently unearthed on the farm of William Hoey, near Sharon, Mrs. Albert McDowell, a relative, found a coffee pot hidden in a spring house containing over \$2000 in gold. The farm has almost been turned over by searching parties.

Crusade Against Cats.

A proposal to start a dog pond at Allegheny has been made to include a crusade against stray cats. Councilman Staring says cats have become as great a nuisance as dogs and he will not consent to the passage of the ordinance unless it contains a clause against owneriess cats. He proposes that cals shall be taxed as well as dogs.

Barn and Live Stock Burned. The large barn on the David Spotts farm, about ten miles from Bellefonte, was burned to the ground. John Breon was the tenant farm-r and he lost all his grain implements and two cows. The building was insured. Loss about \$4000.

Another advance is to be made in the price of castor oil. The small boy will not grumble if it gets clear out of his