The Result of Pechantre's Plot to Kill the King.

Probably no well meaning poet was ever more taken by surprise than was M. Pechantre, a gentle and mild mannered French dramatist of the seventeenth century, who was one day arrested for high treason as he was peacefully eating his dinner at a vil-

The landlord of the inn where he was in the habit of dining discovered on a table a piece of paper on which were written some unintelligible phrases and below in a plain, bold hand, "Here I will kill the king."

The landlord consulted with the chief of police. Clearly this clew to a conspiracy ought to be followed up. The person who had left the paper had already been remarked for his absent air and gleaming eye. That man was Pechantre.

The chief of police instructed the landlord to send for him the next time the conspirator came to dinner.

When Pechantre was shown the evidence of his guilt, he forgot the awful charge against him and exclaimed:

"Well, I am glad to see that paper. I have looked everywhere for it. It is part of a tragedy I am writing. It is the climax of my best scene, where Nero is to be killed. It comes in here. Let me read it to you." And he took a thick manuscript from his pocket.

"Monsieur, you may finish your dinner and your tragedy in peace," said the chief of police, and he beat a hasty

Scarabæus, Egypt's Sacred Beetle.

Scarabæus, "the god beetle of the lower Nile," has been worshiped, petted and feared by several benighted sects of Egypt since the time "when the mind and history of man runneth not to the contrary." Like the other sacred creatures of idolatrous countries, several mythical fancies are woven around this entomological rarity.

The number of its toes, thirty, were supposed to symbolize the average number of days in a month. On each new moon day it deposited a ball containing 360 eggs, which the Egyptian priests assured their followers referred to the number of days in the year, the brilliant golden color of the ball itself personifying the sun. In ancient times this curious beetle was declared to be of but one sex, the male, but modern investigation has exploded that one

myth at least. In connection with the Egyptian nations the Gnostics as well as some of the early Christian fathers speak of Christ as the scarabæus and symbolize him as a man with a beetle's head. The Egyptians always embalmed this sacred insect.

Two Sickroom Warnings.

In a recent lecture on first aid to the injured the speaker emphasized two enutions that are so commonly disregarded as to be well worth repeating in print. The first is, never rub a person with liniment that has been put on a flannel cloth, for the roughness of the flannel and the friction on the skin, with the penetrating ingredients of the liniment, will easily make an abrasion of the skin, producing a condition that may take weeks to heal. The second warning is that in any condition of unconsciousness the hot object applied, bag, bottle, brick or whatever it may be, must be wrapped in finned or cloth before it is brought into contact with the flesh of the person to be treated. A severe burn is often made by a thoughtless attendant who puts a too hot water bottle next to the skin while the patient is unconscious or unable to move away.

Teaching a Parrot,

"There are two ways," said a bird dealer, "of teaching a parrot to talk. One way is to put him in a darkened room, to sit in a corner and to repeat over and over again the word you want him to acquire. A clever parrot will learn a word or a phrase after some 400 or 500 repetitions, while for some it takes a week or more. You must keep still in the room. No sounds from within or without the house save your voice, monotonously repeating the phrase to be acquired, must reach the parrot's ear. Some people teach their birds in a well lighted room, speaking from a place of concealment in a closet or behind a door. This method is not so good, because in the light the parrot's attention is distracted."

one of O'Connell's "Bulls,"

Some extremely amusing mistakes have been made by even the most practiced speakers in their desire to carry their audience with them. O'Connell once in an election speech in Conciliation hall told his followers that if measures injurious to Ireland were brought into parliament he would go over to England and "dle on the floor of the house of commons in opposition 19 them." and when he came back he would say. "Are you for repeal now?" -London Standard.

Palestine Violin. The rebab of Palestine is a sort of violin. The body is a square frame covered with parchment. The instrument is played with a bow. There is but one string, a thick, coarse horsenair, but expert performers can, it is said, get considerable variety of tone from this primitive instrument.

High Explosives. "Tommy," said the schoolteacher to Tommy Taddells, "what do you understand by the term 'high explosives f " "Sky rockets, ma'am," replied Tommy.-Judge.

If the average man were as good as he thinks other men ought to be, it wouldn't be long until his vanity made him topheavy.-New York Press.

----A Reporter advertisement will help move summer goods.

POWERFUL MECHANISM.

The Picking Up Machine Used In Grappling Ocean Cables.

A truly wonderful piece of mechanism is the "picking up" machine used in all grappling and cable hoisting operations. It is a powerful variety of the steam winch family, but also a most aristocratic and elaborate member, fitted with gear changing clutches, patent brakes and other ingenious appliances. To give some idea of its capabilities in dry figures it can at slow speed lift twenty-five tons at the rate of one mile an hour or at fast speed ten tons at the rate of four miles an hour. Moreover, it can be quickly altered and adapted to changing circumstances in speed or lifting weight.

All being made ready, the big grapnel, attached to 700 or 800 fathoms of chain and rope, is passed over the bow sheave, or pulley, and as soon as it ahead. Back and forward across the burg. path of the cable, as pointed out by the friendly marking buoys, we steam. Several times the grapnel catches something, only to lose its hold again, probably an inequality upon the bottom, although a bosun's mate mumbles "mermaids' grottoes," but at last comes a steady strain. Every soul on board hangs over the bow, watching the grimy grapnel rope come steadily up and over the well oiled pulley. At length the grapnel itself appears, holding tight on to the truant.-Lippincott's Magazine.

May Day Custom In Belgium.

The Lord Robertd month of the year in Belgium is the month of May, known as the Virgin's month and consecrated to the Virgin Mary. In the province of Liege young maidens have a quaint way of predicting their love affairs this month. A group of girls arrange to meet at sunrise and start to walk through the fields until they come to a hedge, quite unobserved from the highway, where they generally choose a honeysuckle bush beneath the protecting branches of which to perform their mystic operations. Each maiden selects three blades of dew laden grass, the tops of which she cuts to equal length and to each of which she attaches a colored silken thread. Black represents a bachelor, red an unknown lover and green the secret desires of the maiden's heart. Ten days afterward they return to the same spot where they left the blades growing, and that blade of the three chosen which has surpassed the others in height reveals the lover the maiden is destined to have .-New York Tribune.

The Old Way of Passing Bills. A document found among the Duke of Rutland's papers at Belvoir castle throws a curious light upon the mode of getting private bills through the house of commons in the days of King Charles II. The case in hand was the divorce bill of John, Lord de Beas, an affair that caused a great deal of gossip in its day. One of his lordship's agents wrote in January, 1667: "On Wednesday last I got six and forty of the house of commons to the Dog tayern, in the palace yard at Westminster, when were present Mr. Attorney General and Mr. George Montagu. As soon as they had dined we carried them all to the house of commons, and they passed the bill, as the committee, without any amendments, and ordered it to be reported the next day."

Shakes That Were shakes, Over on the eastern shore of Maryland there was a man who was suffering from a severe case of "shakes," as they call fever and ague in that country. One morning the local physician called on the patient and asked him how he felt.

the shaking man's reply.

"Your case is a very peculiar one and hard to take hold of." remarked

the doctor sympathetically. "Yes, th-that's so," remarked the patient, trying to smile. "The c-case sh-sh-shakes so I don't w-wonder you c-c-can't get hold of it."-Washington Post.

Their Wards Stack; When Mark Twals was in Egypt, he one day arranged with a friend to meet him at one of the pyramids. The latter engaged two old but experienced Arabs to guide him to the place. He afterward complained that, although he had some knowledge of their native language, he could not understand anything that his guides had said to him.

"You should have hired younger men." Mr. Clemens told him. "These toothless old fellows talk only gun Arabie."

Captured. Mabel-I suppose you have heard of sister Lou's marriage. She's taken a flat in Kensington.

Miss Jellus-Yes, I heard she had a flat, but I didn't hear where she had taken him.-St. Louis Republic.

The Pleasanter Route to Ruin. "Prosperity has ruined many a man." "No doubt, but if I'm given any choice in the matter I'd rather be ruined by prosperity than by adversity. The process is more enjoyable."-Chi-

cago Post. Stationary. "There's no progress about him."

"No? But he's still doing business at fie old stand, lsn't he?" "Say, rather, he is doing business at the old stand-still." - Philadelphia

His Title.

"If it were customary in this country to confer titles upon men who go in for literature, what would I be?" asked a conceited journalist of his senior. "Baron of Ideas," was the terse re-

Dorothy Dodd. Dorothy Dodd.

Boalsburg.

Miss Margaretta Goheen expects to leave Monday for Millersville State Normal, where she expects to take a course and prepare for teaching.

Robert Reitz, the hustling butcher, was in the vicinity of Maringo Monday, buying beef cattle.

Wm. Woods, who is employed in Pittsburg, is spending his vacation with his mother.

Rev. Aikens, of Pine Grove Mills, and Rev. Scott, of Montoursville, passed through town Monday.

Miss Ada Duany, of Altoona, and Miss Isabell Huston, of Clintondale, are visiting at the home of Miss Sallie Keller. They drove from Clintondale, a distance of twenty-five miles on Monday afternoon. They expect to go home by way of Penns Cave, spending reaches bottom the ship is sent slowly a few days with friends in Aarous-

Miss Maude Bailey, of State College, visited Miss Rose Woods this we k. Mrs. Rine and family, of Bellefonte, visited at the home of Mrs. Amanda Fisher on Sunday.

Jared Murray, of Centre Hall, visited his brother, Hon. A. W. Murray,

Math. Goheen is in Bellefonte as a

Mr. and Mrs. David Keller visiced among friends in Pine Grove Mills isst week. Mr. Keller is the oldest eitizen of this place, being in his 84th

Miss Dora Meyer, daughter of Commissioner P. H, Meyer, expects to en-

Miss Bess Weber, of Oak Hall, spent several days with Prof. Rothrock, at Catawiss.

ted at the Hillside farm. Miss Mabel From, of Centre Line,

last week. Prof. Harry Loneberger, of Oak Hall, was in town Tuesday.

Miss Ruth Keller, of State College, Fisher's Sons. spent several days last week at this

Rev. D. M. Hepler, pastor of the bers in this place Wednesday.

thirty years, prior to the pastorate of tre Hall. Rev. Black, who has been here for twelve years. Rev. Groh will preach a historical sermon when the church is dedicated.

Linden Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Weibly and Mr. and Mrs. John Shreck Monday evening returned from a visit among friends at Watsontown, Mrs. Weibly's former

Miss Annie Wilson, of Pittsburg, has been spending the past week with her sister, Mrs. Ida McClintic.

Mrs. Elmer Crissman will leave here Wednesday for a visit to her parents, at Reaveriown.

Andrew McNitt, of Hecla Park, was a caller in town on Saturday evening. Miss Freda Hess Tuesday went on a visit among relatives at Osceola, Hunt ingdon and Pittsburg.

John Raymond, Don. Colyer, John and David Bobn are among those "N-n-not a bit b-b-etter," was from this vicinity who are camping at s Williams Grove this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Brooks secompanied by T. E. Wieland and wife were entertained at the home of Foster Jodon, at Axe Mann, last week.

Miss Freda Hess visited her friend Miss Grace Smith at Centre Hall on

Ignac Trassler, one of our oldest citisens, is recovering from a stroke of pa-

Miss Roush, of Williamsport, is visiting ber cousin Miss Susie Reitz. Mrs. Robert Corl, who has been suf-

fering for some time with heart trouble, is somewhat better at this writing. Mrs. Tammie Keller, Mrs. Crissman and Mrs. T. E. Wieland spent Tuesday

camping at Laurel Run. Mrs. Lillie Houser is quite ill with stomach trouble.

Oak Hall. Our farmers are busy putting away the second crop of hay, which is a

large one. Monday the schools of the township

E. K. Smith spent Tuesday at Belle

A. J. Tate, of Shilob, was an early caller in town Wednesday morning. Last Wednesday E. K. Smith's horse needed professional service, which was attended to by Dr. Fry.

Home of the young people attended the festival at Potters Mills Saturday. Harry Dougherty, of State College, was in town Saturday evening.

The following ladies and gentlemen drove over to Penus Cave on Saturday, says the Dally News; Mr. and Mrs. Benj. M. Nead, of Harrisburg; Mr. and Mrs. M. I. Gardner, Bellefonte; Mrs. Severance, of Milwaukee; Mrs. J. D. Geissinger, of Bellefonte; Mr. and ANTED, AGENTS. Mrs. Ed. Bankin, of Harrisburg; Mr. Wanted for Centre Hall and vicinity a good, reand Mrs. Wm. R. Jenkins and Miss liable agent to sell our Tess. Coffees, etc., on comdelighted with the scenery and natural wonders of this wonderful cave.

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