IRON RITTERS.

TRON MITTERS.

# IRON BITTERS!

A TRUE TONIC.

SURE APPETISER.

IRON BITTERS are highly recommended for all diseases requiring a certain and effi

INDIGESTION, DYSPEPSIA, INTERMITTENT FEVERS, WANT OF APPE-TITE, LOSS OF STRENGTH, LACK OF ENERGY, &c.

It enriches the blood, strengthens the muscles, and gives new life to the nerves. It acts like a charm on the digestive organs, removing all dyspeptic symptoms, such as Tasting the Food, Belching, Heat in the Blomach, Heartburn, etc. The only Iron Preparation that will not blacken the teeth or give headache. Sold by all druggists. Write for the A B C Book, 32 pp. of useful and amusing reading—sent free.

## BROWN CHEMICAL COMPANY.

123-1yd&w]

BALTIMORE, MD.

# GREAT REDUCTION IN CLOTHING

Gentlemen, we are now closing out a heavy stock of Winter Clothing at greatly reduced prices. We have a large line of elegant piece goods that must be closed out to make room for our heavy Spring Stock. In order to do this we will offer special bargains for the next forty days.

We have also a fine lot of Ready-Made Overcoats in plain and fancy

backs, which must be closed out in forty days. Anyone in search of a bargain will find it profitable to examine our immense stock.

# MYERS & RATHFON,

POPULAR TAILORS AND CLOTHIERS,

No. 12 EAST KING STREET,

LANCASTER, PENN'A.

PAPERHANGINGS, &c.

NEW SPRING STYLES WALL PAPER.

**New Spring Styles Window Shades** 

New Spring Styles Window Shades

**New Spring Styles Window Shades** 

New Spring Styles Window Shades

PHARES W. FRY

PHARES W. FRY

PHARES W. FRY

PHARES W. FRY,

No. 57 NORTH QUEEN STRETE.

No. 57 NORTH QUEEN STREET.

No. 57 NORTH QUEEN STREET.

No. 57 NORTH QUEEN STREET.

CARPETS.

HIGHEST CASH PRICE WILL BE

CARPET RAGS.

Carpets made to order at short notice and attraction guaranteed.

Rare chances in Carpets to reduce stock of

6,000 Yards Brussels Carpets,

AT AND BELOW COST.

Call and satisfy yourself. Also, Ingrain, Rag and Chain Carpets in almost endless variety \_at

H. S. SHIRK'S

CARPET HALL,

203 WEST KING STREET.

PHILIP SCHUM, SON & CO.,

MANUFACTORY,

No. 130 SOUTH WATER STREET.

LANCASTER, PA.,

Well-known Manufacturers of Genuine

LANGASTER QUILTS, COUNTERPANES, COVERLETS, BLANKETS, CARPETS, CARPET CHAIN, STOCKING YARN, &c.

CUSTOM RAG CARPETS A SPECIALTY.

LANCASTER FANCY

DYEING ESTABLISHMENT

Dress Goods Dyed either in the piece or in Garmen's; also, all kinds of sliks, Ribbons, Linen, Cotton and Woolen Goods Dyed. Gen-tlemen's Coats, Overcoats, Pants, Vests, &c., Dyed or Scoured; also, Indigo Blue Dyeing

done.
All orders or goods left with us will receive

CASH PAID FOR SEWED CARPET BAGS.

Coal of the best quality put up expressly for family use, and at the lowest market rates.

TRY A SAMPLE TON,
YARD—150 LOUTH WATER STREET.

GROCERIES.

Cheap Liquor and Grocery Store NO. 205 WEST KING STREET.

COAL.

PRILIP SCHUM, SON & CO

COAL

A. Z. RINGWALT'S

d22-1ydRS1

feb19-lyd

CARPETS, COAL, &c.

LANCASTER PA.

ATTENTION, HOUSEKEEPERS!

## MOVING! MOVING!

Personal attention given to all kind of MOVINGS this Spring.

BEST OF CARE AND REASONABLE PRICES.

63-Leave orders for day and date of moving, or address to

# J. C. HOUGHTON,

-CARE OF-

# M. A. HOUGHTON.

No. 25 NORTH QUEEN STREET, LANCASTER, PA.

FURNITURE. BUYERS: BUYERS!

HEINITSH

Woven Wire Mattress from ...... 10.00 to 20

Bolsters and Pitlows Made to Order. Call and see my assortment and be con-vinced of the fact that my prices are all right.

Picture Framing a Specialty.

Regilding and Repairing at short notice.

HEINITSH,

15% EAST KING STREET,

FOR RELIABLE

FURNITURE

# Call at the Old Established Stand of

Widmyer & Ricksecker,

S. E. Cor. E. King and Duke Sts. PARLOR, CHAMBER AND LI-BRARY SUITS.

HALL, DINING ROOM AND KITCHEN FURNITURE.

MATTRESSES AND BED SPRINGS.

The Largest and Finest Assortment, and mosty all HOME-MADE WORK.

Personal Attention given to

UNDERTAKING.

WIDMYER & RICKSECKER

S. E. COR. E. KING AND DUKE STS.

BOOKS AND STATIONERY.

NEW AND CHOICE STATIONERY. NEW BOOKS AND MAGAZINES.

L. M. FLYNN'S.

No. 42 WEST KING STREET.

RLANK BOOKS.

## JOHN BAER'S SONS, 15 and 17 NORTH QUEEN STREET.

LANCASTEE, PA., Have for sale, at the Lowest Prices, BLANK BOOKS.

Comprising Day Books, Ledgers, Cash Books, Sales Books, Bill Books, Minute Books, Re-celpt Books, Memorandums, Copying Books, Pass Bookss, Invoice Books, &c.

# WRITING PAPERS.

Foolscap, Letter, Note, Bill, Sermon, Counting House, Drawing Papers, Papeteries, &c. ENVELOPES AND STATIONERY of all kinds, Wholesale and Retail. FAMILY AND TEACHERS' BIBLES.

Frayer Books, Devotional Books, Sunday school Music Books, Sunday-school Libraries, Commentaries, &c.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, MAR. 9, 1881.

### THE STELLAR GLORY.

MYTHOLOGY OF THE CONSTELLA

Meeting of the Star Club-Numerical List eased-Planets and Stars-Lec-ture by Kev. C. E Houpt,

The meeting of the Star Club of the Young Men's Christian association last evening was one of the most interesting of the course. Several leading Constellations were presented, increasing the numerical list. The facts stated in regard to the planets now in the western sky, were also of much interest, while the paper by Rev. Mr. Houpt will repay careful reading. The work of the club, as directed by Mr. McCaskey, was as follows:

The old lines of Dr. Watts, giving the order of the Zodiacal constellations are as useful an aid to memory now as they have

"The Ram, the Bull, the Heavenly Twins,
And next the Crab the Lion shines.
The Virgin and the Scales;
The Scorpion, Archer and Sea Goat,
The man that holds the watering pot,
The Fish with glittering tails."

Two of these constellations, the "heavenly Twins" and the Bull, including the Pleiades and the Hyades have already been indicated on our present list. To-night we will look at three more

of them. the Ram, the Crab and the Lion, in addition to the Fishes and one or two other groups not within the Zodiacal belt. When the Zodine was first marked out in the heavens by the old astronomers the Ram was the first constellation and therefore the first sign. Owing to the nutation of the pole, that plays so large a part in the grand Ice Age theory of which we recently heard from Prof. Phillips, the Ram has now become the second constellation while it still holds its place as the first sign. This place, as first sign, it will continue to hold, though it must fall back for the next 20,000 years or more in the order of constellations until it has become eleventh and twelfth constellation, when it will once more resume its place at the head of the line, again to fall to the rear, though still another of the grand cycles of which the Ice-Age theory takes

account and finds evidence in the coal measures and elsewhere upon our globe. Knowing the Hyades and the Pleiades we look towards the northwest for the Ram, Extend a line from Aldebaran in the Hyades (No. 18 of our list) to Alstars which at once attract attention and of. The two brightest of these stars, of nearly equal magnitude, are Arietis and

Sheratan, about four degrees apart, that farthest north being Arietis, which is the middle of the head of the Ram, as he is represented in the charts looking back towards the Bull along the sine of the Sun's apparent path in the Heavens. Sheratan, in the coil of one of the horns, has very near it a fainter star, at the distance of one and a half degrees, named Mesartim. The three planets now conspicuous in the western sky are very near the stars just named in the Ram. The body of the Ram extends castward towards the Bull, of

which constellation only the head and fore shoulders are shown in the charts. West of the Ram is the Fishes, a star group without any distinguishing features, and but one or two of whose faint stars have been named.

The Lion, which is easily recognized from the well-known "Sickle," a conspicuous star-group, is now to be seen in the eastern sky immediately after sunset. It is on the meridian shortly after 10 o'clock. Seven stars are named in this constellation. In the Sickle, which fixes the head and fore shoulders of the Lion, we have the bright star Regulus marking the handle. This star is also known as Cor Leonis, or "heart of the Lion" It is much used by navigators for determining their longitude. being less than half a degree from the ecliptic. When on the meridian it makes an isosceles triangle with Procyon and Castor, the former some forty degrees to the northwest and the latter nearly an equal distance to the southwest. The small star at the point where the handle joins the blade is not named. Next be youd it and first in the blade is Al Gieba, a bright double star whose period is 1,000 years; that is to say, it requires the two great suns of which it is composed 1,000 years to revolve about each other. This star is some nine degrees from Regulus. The next in the blade, Adhafera, four degrees from Al Gieba, is in the neck of the Lion. Six degrees beyon! this is Northern Ras al Asad, and next beyond is Southern Ras al Asad, in the mouth of the Lion. To the northeast of the Sickle is a triangle not very large, but readily distinguished. this the star farthest east is Denebola, in the tail of the Lion, and, of the two stars in the side towards the Sickle, that nearest the meridian is Zozma; in the back of the Lion. Zozma is about thirteen degrees east from Al Gieba, and is a triple star. Denebola is about 25 degrees east of Regulus and ten degrees northeast from

Zorma. Crab, which lies in the Zodiac between it and the Twins. To identify here the three or four stars that have received names, they should be looked for in a clear night, when the moon is not shining. Half-way between Pollux and Regulus are Asellus Borealis and Asellus Australis, both faint stars between which a good eye may distinguish the dim nebula Præsepe, or the Bee Hive, almost the only nebula in the heavens that cau be distinguished without the aid of a telescope. Nearly half-way between Al Gieba and Procyon is the faint star Acubens. The stars Reguius, Procyon and Pollux form a triangle which includes a very large part of the

Returning to the Lion we carry a line from Denebola to Benetuasch, in the han-dle the Great Dipper. Dividing this into three parts, we have at the point of divi-sion nearest Denebola, a beautiful group of faint stars known as Berenice's Hair; at the next point of division, nearest Benetnasch, is Cor Caroli, the "Heart of Charles," in the neck of one of the dogs of Bootes, who is now pushing on above the horizon by nine or ten o'clock in the evening. As we are in the vicinity of the Dipper, we will glance for a moment at Cassiopeia's Chair; which lies directly beyoud the North Star, and as far from it in one direction as the Great Dipper in the other. The five prominent stars here re-semble somewhat the letter " A" A straight line from Megres, the star where through the North Star and carried as far beyond it, will strike Caph. The next star at the first angle in the W, is named Sche-

Lancaster Intelligencer. Borealis; 78, Praesepe, the Bee Hive Nebula, and 79 Acubens; in the Crab; 80, Berenice's Hair, a star group; 81, Cor Caroli; 82, Caph; 83, Schedir, and 84 And it is w Rucba, in the constellation Cassiopeia.

Venus, Jupiter and Saturn.

We say that the stars are fixed-so far at least as our observation goes, they never change their relative positions. But not so with the three planets now conspicuous in our western sky-Venus, Jupiter and Saturn—which nightly present a new combination in the heavens with reference to each other and to the stars about them. The crescent moon during a part of the present and past months has added no little to the charm of variety which these mov. ing orbs present and will continue to do so during the month of April. When we look at the four planets, three of which are primary, our interest in them is increased by knowing some facts as to the relative sizes, velocities and distances from us and from the sun. The moon-of which secondary planets Jupiter has four and Saturn eight—is but little more than a quarter of a million of miles distant from us and its diameter is something over 2000 miles. So near is it that its light comes to us in about one second of time. The planet Venus revolves in an orbit between us and the sun. Its year form. Hence, the languages of all those is equal to seven of our months, and its present distance from us is probably forty they began to see meaning and language millions of miles. It is somewhat smaller in size than our Earth, about 1500 times smaller than Jupiter, the less brilliant planet now nearest the horizon; and neary 1000 times smaller than Saturn, least rilliant of the three. Jupiter is low more than 500 millions of miles, and Saturn more than 1000 millions distant from us. Venus sweeps on in its orbit around the sun at the rate of 1300 miles per minute, Jupiter at the rate of 500 miles, and Saturn goes 350 miles per minute, or about as far as from Philadelphia to Pittsburgh in a single minute of time ! The year of Jupiter is equal to twelve and that of Saturn to thirt y of our years, that is to say, Jupiter is twelve times as long as our earth and Saturn thirty times as long in making its annual revolution around the Sun. At the distances here named the light which reaches us from the Moon in little more than a second would come from Jupiter in about 45 minutes, while it would be nearly an hour

and a-half on its way to us from Saturn. The Denver Phenomenon Mr. McCaskey then read to the class some extracts from late copies of the Denver Tribune, received from Mr. Horace D. Gast, and Wm. M. Shreiner, forme pheratz (No. 14) in the northwest angle of high school boys now in Colorado, giving the Square of Pegasus. Divide this line very graphic account of the wonderful part of the attributes of their deities. into three equal parts, and at the point of lunar phenomena observed there, on the lunar phenomena observed there, on the But in Greece all was different. Here night of February 14, 1881. The diagram the divinities possessed all the passions fix the head of the animal we are in search of. The two brightest of these stars, of was placed on the blackboard in enlarged preme power, controlled by wisdon and was placed on the blackboard in enlarged form, gives a satisfactory idea of this re- Greek. markable appearance in the heavens.

The special paper for the meeting was then read by Rev. C. E. Houpt on the Mythology of the Constellation. A lie is always a pretender. It never

uses its own name as a door-plate. Yet a truth and a falsehood often seem alike, though they are the reverse of each other. It takes but little to make a truth seem a lie. Much depends on the way in which a given fact is perceived. Two minds may thus reach different conclusions after viewing the same thing. For you can very easily "switch off," anywhere along the track of direct truth, into seeming truth, fallacy, error; and even the highest, noblest aspiraions fand impulses of the soul have often furnished the motive force that impelled the mind from little truth downward into great, sad error. Thorns of ignorance in the heart-field always choke out the growth of truth by absorbing its food. Often there is a grand inter-tangling of truth with error whereby the truthneedle is so covered, confused, corroded, and concealed in the falsehood-stack as to

compel the judgement to pause before the mass in giving verdict of true or false. Indeed, man knows that there are some portions of the truth so far above him hat he needs a revelation from God to bring them down to the plane of his comprehension, some explanation from God of the superhuman phenomena that are going on about him. And you find that when-ever that direct unfolding of the mind of God has been wanting, man in his greater or less ignorance of scientific facts has 8 deavored to supply the absence by inventing a revelation. These inventions we call

Definition.

A truth and a myth often look alike, and yet they are different as a substance and a shadow. Truth is always heavenly and divine. Hence it is permanent. All its parts fit according to that order which is declared to be the first law of Heaven and which the best philosophy of China teaches is the highest principle of existence myth is earthly and human, often full of the greatest errors and deceptions. A truth is a rose, come forth from the eternal mind of God, a living, vitalizing thing. A myth is the skillful, artificial effort of gnorance to reproduce truth. A myth is he substitute for God's truth. It is the best representation of truth that men could make. It is the effort of man who had lost the revelation and words of God to make a revelation from God and to hear God's words again. A truth is eternal; a myth is temporary. A myth is subjective, i. e., it is evolved by man out of the depths of his own consciousness, A truth is objective. It shines out from God upon the mind and soul of man. A truth is a fact. A myth is only an idea. Hence, popularly speaking, you may call a myth a fabulous human statement or narrative utterly fictitious, generally of a moral or even a re-ligious nature. It is usually allegorical, describing one thing by means of another. It tells the tale of the past by a counter-feit presentment of the heroes and actions of the past. To be accepted it must be popular, plausible and involve elements of supernatural and superhuman power. A myth is the child of ignorance and wonder, ignorance as to what has happened and wonderment on beholding the great and good. Or, if you will, t is only another evidence of the groping, blundering efforts of the human mind to find its God and its surroundings.

It is, of course, impossible for man by any system of guesses to create a true revelation for God; but yet men of every age and land have had their myths, and the Lion, the Virgin, the Scales, the Securior the Archer the Goat the Water deed, their cousinhood of truth, and teach

a good lesson. Mythology is the knowledge and rea soning concerning the ideas of God and straight line from Megres, the star where the handle joins the bowl of the Dipper, through the North Star and carried as far beyond it, will strike Caph. The next star at the first angle in the W, is named Schedir, and at the third angle is Rueba.

Adhafera; 72, Northern Ras al viewing from the high promotory of truth Asad; 73, Southern Ras Al Asad; the old and wide mythologic sea of the past, 4, Zozma, and 75 Denebola, in the Lion; 76, Asellus Australis; 77, Asellus bosom, what pearls of thought and frag-Lizard, the Lynx, Sobieski's Shield, the much of falsehood and of delusion in it ments of the adamantine rock of wisdom are tossing over its time-worn sands for

> And it is well for us to consider how this mythology, the science not only of making but also of telling the artificial for the real truth, was applied by men of old to the stara, God's jewels in heaven's velvet, those beautiful orbs of steady light, ever shining points of "the seventh heaven of glory;" and how the very highest inven-tions of this counterfeit religion were invariably connected with them. The ancients, journeying in the path of knowledge, had not yet come to the forks between morals, politics, psychology, re-ligion, mathematics, astrology and astron-

Sometimes God has spoken unto the fathers of the race out of heaven, as in the cases of Cain, Enoch, Noah, etc. And they who at Babel wandered away from the knowledge of God retained only an abic idea of the constellation, a bearer, a echo of revolation in their memories. Those that followed them imagined that God did at all times speak, but only through the language of nature. Every form came to have a meaning to

them, a reason for its existence, a message to convey. Hence, the best way to express those meanings was by their they began to see meaning and language everywhere, which awaited only a reading. Above all they found imaginary forms frescoed, if I may say so, upon the great dome above them. The more they could discern the forms, the more would to recognize what shape was embroidered upon the tapestry along the walls of the celestial firmament, and their knowledge of truth would be complete.

Man's mind is endowed with two instincts (among the others) of worship and prayer; and following these insticts he has ever held a profound dependence upon some power or powers outside of and higher than himself to whom he has constantly appealed for aid. Mythology availed itself of these insticts, and became a science of ideas, of power rather than the mere representations of power. The pictures, "or constellations," of heavenly bodies, were only the emblems of great attributes. Form was to them only a secondary consideration.

The Hindu, the Egyptian, the Phoenician worshiped the idea or myth of power by representing their god with fifty arms; or with the head of the lion, the ram, or the ox. To them worship was abject fear rendered to avert evil, rather than to procure good; thus leading them to cruel sacrifices. Mercy and love formed no justice. His God was a friend to the

The wondering Aryan, awakening from sleep, refreshed and thankful, looked forth upon the morning glow, which he saluted as his god Arustra. To him the diurnal and the nocturnal heavens were "twin brethren, who had been nursed upon the bosom of Aditi." Aditi is the space beyond the horizon. The gods were "Adityas"—i. e., children of Aditi. Aditi, in a word, was boundless space, but space endowed with life, form and power -the power, namely, of delivering men from its heaviest of their chains-i. e., The storm they pictured as a ram-bull, "whose bellowings they had heard in the thunder." It was easy then to find a place for him among the stars.

self even in the mythology. sentes," sharers of the destinies of their race, and believed that they were fated to perishable record of a history that is preperish after a reign of 6,000 years. This doctrine of the renovation of Heaven, earth and gods is found to prevail wherever politics, the growth of conquest or the migration of a nation has supplanted the simple and child-like faith which Revelation and especially the manifestasprings up of itself among an innocent

and unconquered Pagan people.
In primitive Greece the Sun was a torch and the stars candles, periodically lighted and extinguished. There, too, they began to distinguish the constellations earthly foundation in real fact. Men of through which the Sun appeared to pass. According to He iod, "Chaos is the parent of Night and Erebus : but the Earth is the

parent of the Heavens.". The zodiac was the heaven which exactly corresponded with the earth, protected the earth, taught the earth its duties. Said the Cosmogonists, "the earth is explained by the heavens." But as they were bound to proceed from the known to the unknown they did in fact explain heaven by the earth, and in particular by men. Hence, in many mythologies, the universe is an egg; in Finland it is a duck's egg, the spots on the shell representing the constellations. Examples.

Taking the constellations as they were commonly known and accepted, there can no form be found which is not earthly, developed from mundane ideas or combinations of ideas. Thus the constellations. visible to Ptolemy, were forty-eight in number. Permit me to name them in their order. North of the zodiac, were the Little Bear, the Great Bear, the Dragon, Cepheus (the royal gentleman and Argonaut), the hunter Bootes (ignorantly chasing his own mother Calisto, transformed into a bear), the Northern Crown (the gift of the true Ariadne), Hercules (the kneeling monster swinging his Indian club), the Harp, the Swan, Cassiopeia (seated in her chair), Perseus (the dauntless), the skillful Charioteer, Esculapius or Serpentarius (the conqueror of death by medicine), grasping the serpent, the Arrow, the Eagle, the Dolphin of Arion, the Head of the Horse, and the flying Arrow, the Eagle, the Dolphin of Arion, the Head of the Horse, and the flying horse, Pegasus (who won his place by a flight to the stars). Andromeda (saved and wooed by Persous), and the Triangle,

these "delusions on their face" have, in-deed, their cousinhood of truth, and teach man and the Fishes. The ancients discerned fifteen constellations south of the the roving Centaur, the cannibal wolf Lycaon, the Altar, the Southern Crown and the Southern Fishes constitute the comaloft in the heaven of man's soul.

Sextant, the Southern Triangle, the Little all, we of the light of Revelation should Lion—in number, 12.

The astronomer, Halley, added eight, to wit: Noah's Dove, the Royal Oak, the Crane, the Phonix, the Peacock, the Bird of Paradise, the Fly, and the Cha-

All of these myths are, you behold, earthly conceptions recorded on the immensity of space.

Influence of Stellar Mythology.

The contemplation of the glories of the tarry heavens has always and instinctive. ly been connected with the knowledge of God. It exerted a wonderful influence upon the education of man and the development of the race. Even the Bible writers. spired of the true God, refer to them as well-known objects in their day. Job speaks of God's "commanding the sun," regarded as an impious "giant" bound upon the sky; hence, Job xxviii.
31, "Cans't thou loose the bands of Orion?" the Pleiades (Hebrew word meaning a heap); and the "Chambers of the South the large vacant spaces in the southern social virtue? sky, in which, to a northern observer, no stars were discernible. Again, the word Mazzaroth, used in Job xxxviii: 32, signifies "scatterings;" and is used originally to denote the north, the region of the "wind that scatters." But it was afterward applied to the twelve signs of the Zodiac, scattered through the year. The 34th verse is remarkable, "Knowest they understand the language of the gods thou the ordinances of Heaven? Cans't and their deeds. All that was needed was thou set the dominion thereof in the earth?" The word "Dominion" originally refers to "write," or make records. Hence it would seem to denote signs, or prescriptions; suggesting the notion that the signs or constellations prescribed and controlled the destines of men. Many other such instances might be shown. In I Kings xxiii., 5 the word "Mazza-

roth" is mistranslated "planets." Not only to the child who imagines them holes through which the glory of heaven holes through which the glory of neaven is shining and angels are peeping down upon this world, but to those older children of contemplation, the shepherds of the East, supine upon the grassy plain, head pillowed upon elbow; and to those priests, ignorant of any higher worship than their own ideas, and who must be child to furnish a reason for everything able to furnish a reason for everything around them, were the stars suggestive and their seemingly equidistant position and arrangement soon led those dreamy superstitious watchers to see (or suppose they saw) imaginary forms outlined in the heavens by groups of stars. And the Uranology of to-day delights to retrace the lines that made the old world's eyes do we, of to-day, delight to listen to the lucent poetry of these forms, sung to the " music of the spheres."

The attributes of the one God, Jehovah, were distributed unto many deities in the stellar world, before the Pagan mind, but it was especially in Greece that the My-thology of the Constellations reached its greatest perfection, its acme of influence. The nations of the East, Chaldeans, Egyptians, etc., as early (Laplace thinks) as 1400, B. C., were the original observers who marked off the heavenly bodies into mythologie groups. Sir Isaac Newton was of the opinion that all the old constella-tions related to the fable of the Argonaut ic expedition; and that they were pictures hung along the galleries of the heavens to commemorate the heroes and exploits of that bold enterprise. Object of the Mythology.

The imperishability of the stars made them the best monuments, and facts exalt-'The horse was placed in heaven also to ed to connection with them were, seeinrepresent the Sun. Fire was Agni, one of ingly at least, to last forever. Hence to the Adityas. Such was the innocent, place among the stars a grouping of ideal child-like mythology of the Hindus, so poetic, closely allied to science and so rich in moral lessons." But the sin of which the Hindus spoke soon showed it-Though Sir John Herschel regards them The Etruscans changed this simple, in-nocent, moral mythology into a political other astronomers, as Vigelius and Schilastrology, which opened the way for all sorts of schemes, delusions and selfishness. The Etruscans called their deities "Configures remain a faithful picture of the mental efforts of man, struggling upward to reach the truth, than to associate God's tion of His Son with their mythic forms.

The question naturally arises, Are these stories mythologic, or are they true his-tory? Manifestly they are mythic; and yet most of them like their forms have an antiquity, looking upon what had taken place, have constructed them out of what materials they had on hand (or rather in head,) and successive generations have not dared to molest so holy a thing as the mythology. Many constellations are grouped about a single idea or story. Fallacy of Mythology.

A parable presents a fact within a story from real life; A simile shows the agreement of two facts; a fable teaches a truth by what could not possibly have occurred : but a myth presents to us under a fictitious story only the idea that has taken possession of the fancy. To show that the whole system of the constellations is mythologic and not real, we need only reflect that the Greeks altered and revised the constellations of the Egyptians, to suit themselves; the Romans transformed those of the Greek. So too there were many myths, or explanations of the same constellation in each land; as in the case of the Swan, the Lesser Dog, etc.

The Chaldeans had one name for a star. or group, the Hebrews another, and so throughout. No less than four huge irregular constellations wind their tertuous course across the heavens of the Greeks. The Greek "wolf" was the Jewish "dog," and, while some thought that certain stars made the huge bear's tail, others considered them to depict a wagon. From the antiquated spring lamb which we find hung upon the hooks in Aries down to the two dried herring tied together in the last Zodiacal box, there are many queer characand also serve as a warning to all the bad

Three great and mobile objects lie in the

view of these old-time lovers of mythology zodiac, to wit : The Whale, Orion battling | One is to fix fictitious heroes and their with the bull, the Eridanus (river of Phae- deeds imperishably in the minds of the ton), the Hare, pursued by the Great Dog—and also the Little Dog—the Ship Argo, sweeping along before the Hydra, on whom the Carrion Crow is seated, the Cup,

Another is to deify and ennoble the actual people, and encourage submission to, ven-eration for and wonder at the greatness

Too soon we laugh and throw down our

remember that these myths were once the

only means of knowing God, and His Law, and they are weighted with a value that is not only mental but moral. Not only have they their esthetic beauty, but a pure, abiding confidence in their half obscured divinities and the kind of morality they taught. How satisfying the story of the Pleiades, seven sweet virgins of spring time, who were made stars, with their sisters the Hyades, on account of their amiable virtues and their mutual affection. In like manner Virgil repreaffection! In like manner, Virgil represents Apollo as bending from the sky to address Iulus: "Macte nova virtute puer; sie itur ad astra." "Go on in virtue as

you've begun, my boy, so you too shall reach a place among the stars."

It was not all madness and infatuation that led to these things. Before saying so let us pause! Had the men who so devoutly loved and served those deities wagon) Orion (whom the Hebrews of the constellations, who could believe regarded as an impious "giant" bound in those myths with such child-like faith, lived in the light'and scientific clearness of our times, is it not likely that they would have become the highest ornaments of the Christian Church and models of every

Go North, young man, go North and freeze up with the country. But don't forget to take a bottle of Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup along.

Never a day passes but we hear of some ac cident through the carviess use of kerosene. Heads of families should caution their domestics about using it to start a fire with, and at the same time always keep a supply of Pr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil on hand; best cure for burns, cuts, wounds, etc.

For sale by H. B. Cochran, druggist, 137 and 139 North Queen street, Lancaster, Pa.

Blessings in Disguise. Joseph Rusan, Percy, Ontario, writes: "I was induced to try Thomas' Eclectric Oil for a lameness which troubled me for three or four years, and I found it the best article I ever tri-d. It has been a great bles-ing to me."
For sale by H. B. Cochran, druggist, 137 and
139 North Queen street, Lancaster, Pa.

# Miracles of Healing Unparalleled

MEDICAL

in Medical History. CUTICURA RESOLVENT, the great natural blood Curioura Resolvent, the great natural blood purifier, absorbent, renevator and vitalizer, has shown its grand curative power in scrofule, whiteswellings, alcers, erysipelas, swelled neck, scrotulous inflammations, mercurial affections, old sores, eruptions of the skin, sore eyes and scalp affections, with dry, thin and falling hair: and when the Curicuna, a Medicinal Jelly, and the Curicuna Soar, prepared from it, are applied to external symptoms, the cures effected by the Curicuna Remedical are marvellous.

## Scrofula.

Scaofula.—Hon. William Taylor, Boston. State Senator of Massachusetts, permanently cured of a humor of the face and scalp that had been treated unsuccessfully for twelve years by many of Boston's best physicians and most noted specialists, as well as European authorities. He says: "I have been so clated with my successful use of the Cuticura Remedies that I have stopped men in the streets to tell them of my case."

Running Sores.

RUNNING SORES.—Henry Landecker, Dover, N. H., certifies that Aug. 23, 1877, he broke his leg. The bone was set by a physician. Upon removing the splints sores broke out from the keet to the heel. Doctors called them varicose value, and ordered rubber stockings. Paid \$25 for stockings without any signs of care for stockings, without any signs of cure. Bought Curreura Revenus and was rapidly and permanently cured. Certified to by Lothrops & Pinkham, Druggist, Dover, N. H.

## Salt Rheum.

SALT RHEUM.—Geo. F. Owen, dealer in pianos, Grand Rapids Mich., was troubled for nine years with Salt Rheum. Tried every medicine known to the trade, and was attended by many physicians with only temporary relief. Cured by Curicura Remedica.

CUTICURA REMEDIES are prepared by WEEKS & POTTER, Chemists and Druggists, 350 Washington street, Boston, and are for sale by all Druggists. Price for CUTICURA, a Medicinal Jelly, small boxes, 50 cents; large boxes, 31. CUTICURA RESOLVENT, the new Blood Porifier. \$1 per bottle. Cuticura Medicinal Tollet Soap, 25 cents. Cuticura Medicinal Shaving Soap, 15 cents; in bars for Barbers and large

con-umers, 50 cents.

23 All mailed free on receipt of price.

## SANFORD'S RADICAL-CURE FOR CATARRH.

One bottle Radical Cure, one box Catarrhal Solvent, and one Improved Inhaler.

Economical agreeable, safe and neve-failing, relieving instantly and curing permanently, this great combination of medicinal agents offers to the weary sufferer from every form of Catarrh, relief and rest. It satisfies every demand of reason and common sense. It attacks and conquers every phase of catarrhal disease. It strikes at the root, cleaning the masal passages of purulent matter, to swa low and inhale which means destruction, sweetening the breath, restoring the senses of smell, taste, and hearing to full activity, puritying the blood of catarrhal virus, and checking its constitutional ravages. Buy it while there is yet time. Ask for Saxford's Radical Curd. Sold and recommended everywhere. General Agents, WEEKS & POTTER, Boston.

Collins' Voltale Electric Plasters. One Collins' Voltage Electric Plaster, costing 25 cents, is far superior to every other electrical application before the public. They instantly relieve Dyspepsia, Liver Complaint, Malaria, Fever and Ague, and Kidney and Urinary Difficulties, and may be worn over the pit of the stomach, over the kidneys, or any affected part. Price 25 cents. Sold every-

READ THIS. -USE-

# COUGH NO MORE! AMERICAN COUGH SYRUP,

A CERTAIN, SAFE AND EFFECTUAL REMEDY FOR

COUGHS, COLDS, SORE THROAT, HOARSENESS, ASTHMA, BRONCHITIS,

WHOOPING COUGH, PAIN IN THE SIDE OR BREAST. And all Diseases of the

## THROAT AND LUNGS. For the relief of Consumptives in all stages of the disease. For sale only at

HULL'S DRUG STORE No. 15 WEST KING STREET,

LANCASTER, PA. aug#-lyd] C'ET THE BEST HORSE AND CATTER
J POWDER.—The attention of tarmers and
stock raisers is specially called to the above
powder which is pronounced by many farmers
the best for distemper, coughs, colds and other
diseases and conditions of Horses. Also, for
Cattle, Swine and Poultry. For Milch Cows
there can be nothing better. 25 cents a pound
or 5 pounds for \$1.
Prepared and sold by

Prepared and sold by
ANDREW G. FRY, DRUGGIST,
Cor, North Queen and Orange Streets,
Lancaster, Pa.

Our numerical list for the evening is therefore continued: No. 66, Arietis; 67, Sheratan and 68 Mesartim, in the Ram; 69, Regulus; 70, Al Gieba; 71, 8 O'CLOCK COFFEE IS THE PUREST ATLANTIC AND PACIFIC TEA CO. plete list of incongruous forms suspended 114 North Queen Street, Lancaster, P The constellations added by Hevelius, of mythologies and astrologies and cry, "Ab-