The metropolitan newspapers the other day, too, and very long accounts of the secret marriage or alleged marriage of a banker now in jail with a gay young opera INTELLIGENCER " BUILDING. singer, a divorcee, of her sad death in a secluded place and the mysterious disappearance of their child. The affair was kept up as a sensation for several days, the newspapers tossing back and forward the admissions and denials of Fish that he was

married to the mother of his child. Meantime the war against polygamy in Utah goes bravely on and the Latter Day Saints are getting six months a piece for their frankness in acknowledging and sup. porting all their wives.

Mississippi has been awarded the prize for the best apple display at the New Or-leans Exposition. This will be news to many rabid Republicans who know Mississippi only as the home of Jefferson Davis.

MR. E. MUYBRIDGE has been dealing out some information not generally known to the students of the University of Pennsylvania, on the subject of animal locomotion. The elephant, zebra, deer llama and capybara, were found allied in the same series of locomotive actions. The lecturer showed by il-lustrations that in the gallop an animal left the ground by means of a spring from his fore feet, and landed on his hind feet—in direct opposition to the general idea of the man-ner in which the thing is done. In a canter the horse leaves the ground from his fore-feet and strikes it again first with his hind foot diagonally opposite to the last foot leaving the ground. Then, instead of putting lown the other hind foot, the horse put down the fore foot again that left the ground first, and finally brings down the other hind foot. This is very important, no doubt, if

WHEN the real trial of speed comes Gladstone always manages to get his nose under the wire first.

For any one who reads the church ad vertisements in New York newspapers, the incongruous must often present itself in glaring colors. The line of demarcation be ween theatres and churches in this respect is not so clearly defined as it might be. The other day Rev. G. J. Miggins announced a sermon on "The Devil and His Work Shop," and Rev. Dr. Gallagher, it was stated, would deliver "a thrilling address" at another of God's temples. The time of the arrival and departure of trains to Garden City to enable visitors to see and inspect the new cathedral erected by Mrs. A. T. Stewart forms a prominent advertisement in some of th netropolitan papers. The Coney Island hotel proprietors advertise in the same way. Surely religion is not in such a languishing condition as to require the aid of Barnum point a commission to inquire into it, or adopt any other method of satisfying himmethods to gather together worshippers. Even the contestants at the roller skatin

matches cannot be persuaded to stay.

ondition of the people resident if the large cities of the country is a very interesting one to consider. W. S. Landsberg, of Baltimore, has been deducing some inter esting figures from a study of New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore. He finds that the excess of females at the ages from twenty to fifty for each 1,000 males of the same ages is in Baltimore for the general population 125; in Philadelphia, 99; in New York, 35. This seems to indicate that Baltimore has a larger number of females in factories and stores than either of its sister cities. Reck oning children under fifteen years of age and persons over seventy incapable of labor as non-producers, Baltimore, it is found, had, in 1880, to 100 producers 52 non-producers Philadelphia, 48; New York, 49; Boston, 44. Thus it is seen that one-half of the people of the Hub lean back on their oars and watch their fellow-men row. In all our large cities the colored death-rate is excessive. Among 10,000 native whites in Baltimore, for exan ple, there were in the census year 220 deaths; among 10,000 immigrants, 227 deaths : in the same number of colored people, 349 deaths. And this is the reason why the great productiveness of the colored race need never cause any alarm to their Caucasian brethren.

IT would be a happy stroke for Barnum to capture Abe Buzzard, acquit him and place him in his menagerie of living wonders

THE administration does wisely in entirely ignoring the snarls of disappointed officeseekers of the kind that are voiced in the lament of Senator Eustis. It keeps on in the even tenor of its way, acting from conviction and knowing that time will make all things even. The superficial observer little thinks stacle, as there is yet humanity enough left of the labor and responsibility entailed on the removals and appointments to office by a new administration. The item of postoffices alone is enough to occupy half the working hours of the president and postmaster general for many months. Records must be investigated and applicants carefully reviewed and the opposition press are ready to pounce upon the administration whenever an unwise choice is made. Then, responsible Democrats often sign petitions carelessly and a a matter of course, and there have been found Democrats who have asked the president to retain Republicans in place solely on the score of good-fellowship. The wonder is that with all these obstacles the administration has shown its present rapidity in "turning the rascals out."

> THE Wilkesbarre dailies have begun sparring with each other over their circula-tions. Which can spare the more for the Plymouth sufferers?

> > Raffles at Church Fairs.

Judge Stewart was recently assigned to the Baltimore criminal court, the May term of which began on Monday. In his charge to the grand jury he spoke of all the offense which the law requires the grand inquest to be instructed upon and, speaking of gam-bling, said: "The vice seems to be one in-herent in our nature and it will probably continue until the people are educated up to the point that raffles at fairs will be con-sidered an evil to be frowned upon and chances in holiday presents as a thing to be avoided. The grosser forms of this vice are liable to punishment and when the business of gaming is carried on in violation of law the duty to society requires that the offense should not be lightly passed over, but should be prosecuted." This is the first instance in Baltimore in which the grand jury has been charged upon this subject, which more particularly affects the raffles at church fairs.

A Desperate Suicide.

Banks, who with a woman named Brown and a physician named Hall, was incarcerated in the Allegheny county work house awaiting trial for the death of Lena Steubanranch, the result of a criminal opera-This in itself would not be a serious evil tion, committed suicide on Monday by cutting his throat from ear to ear with a razor which if it was the proper bills that stood the his throat from ear to ear with a razor which he had snatched from a colored bar-ber who was shaving him. Banks had evi-dently laid his plans. He left two letters, one addressed to the jail warden giving directions as to the disposition of his remains. The other letter was tear-stained, and seemed to be the last words of a broken-hearted man who was but too ready to quit this world. to be the last words of a broken-hearted man who was but too ready to quit this world. The letter was addressed to "My darling Lena." In it the wretched man wrote as, though the girl, who died so unhappily last week, was still living. He went on to say that he was not guilty of a crime, and had truly loved the girl as none other had. The letter concluded by saying that he was tired of life and would now be "with his Lena again."

The Kind of Practice He Had. "Are you having much practice now," asked an old doctor of a young beginner. "Yes, sir, a great deal, thank you," was the reply. "Ah, I am delighted to hear it. Pray, in what line does your practice particularly extend?" "Well, sir, particularly in economy." HEROINE STATISTICS.

A RACT BIT OF SARCASM ON THE NOVELS OF THE DAY.

The Figures of the Past Year Showing Hor Capid Figures in the Story of Human Life-Fragility and Dellency Still In Very Marked Favor.

times concealed the secret passage for which it was at one time so famous. With these exceptions, the staircase has invariably been used for its proper purpose where it has been introduced at all—namely, for the introduce tion of the heroine to the hero. Sometime she topples on the stairs; more frequently she stumbles; but the glance is passing more frequent still. On one occasion her hair, having escaped from its ribbons, hung in luxuriant confusion about her neck an shoulders, and 201 times he has thought that he never saw her look so beautiful. at these times he most desires to kiss is the hem of her garment. She allows him to press his lips to her mouth, eyes and ears, but from his solitary confessions you gather that it is the hem he is really after, did she

but know it. The year that has just closed has wedded 274 heroines to the men of their choice, 38 have married the wrong man, and either 51 or 61 have died. The grass has grown over four of these; in the remaining cases it has grown green. The others have ended miscellaneously. As compared with past years, the rate of mortality is low. When, some years ago, I first entered upon these inquiries consumption was very prevalent in novels and the hectic flush usually appeared as early as the third chapter. But although there some heart disease, our heroines are improving in health, and they marry earlier now.
It is a slack week that does not make wives
of half a dozen heroines in the first sixty
pages, and in one case in five the lady starts
as a wife and heroine simultaneously. In
forty-seven cases mothers have been tried as a wife and heroine simultaneously. In forty-seven cases mothers have been tried with very good results. They have bad 112 children between them, ranging in age from one calendar month to eight years, and he has rescued seventy-one of these from a watery grave. Twelve of the original husbands of these heroines have perished in a railroad accident, three have been discovered to be bigamists, seven have found a note on the drawing-room table that explained everything, and the remaining twenty-five are thing, and the remaining twenty-five are really the men she loves, though she did not know it at the time. These heroines promise well for the coming season. Widows are

coming in again.

Against 372 blondes there have been 190 Against 372 blondes there have been 190 brunettes—an unusually large number. While the health average is distinctly higher than in former years fragility and delicacy continue marked. Broad, low brows are in great favor, and it is a remarkable c reumstance that in seven cases out of ten the mouth is, perhaps, a little too large. In fact, of these 562 ladies as many as 437 have not been beautiful in the strict meaning of the term. But, with a very few inconsiderable exceptions, they had something irresistible about them; and this something is usually explained by pert little roses turned up the thousandth part of an inch. A good nose is 1923 no longer what it was. The something has also a close connection with dimples, and has also a close connection with dimples, and in the rare cases in which these are neither maddening nor bewitching they intoxicate. Seven hundred and ninety-two ears have been shell like, the remainder rosy. There have been over a thousand almond-shaped eyes, of which 612 have had a dreamy look and 86 have flashed fire; while the latter were flashing 84 heroines drew themselves up. It is remarkable how these established. were flashing 84 heroines orew themselves up. It is remarkable how these statistics fluctuate. In 1878 the shell-like ear, which the year before had stood as high as 608, fell to 342, and rose again in 1880 to 714. The ripe red lip remains stationary; but almond eyes are extremely variable. I have known them

Rarely has the heroine been created who, being herself tall and siender, had neither a sister nor a friend who is small and plump. Where, however, the hereine inclines to em-bonpoint, as she has done eighty-three times this season, the foil of course has to suffer, this season, the foil of course has to suffer, losing as much flesh as the other gains. It does not seem probable that the plump heroine will ever drive her more slender rival from the field; but she is doing well at balls, and the best novelists have never lost faith in her. With Dickens she was a decided favorite; she had a great time in the state of t cided favorite; she had a great time in the Waverly novels, and is still much admired in the Emerald isle. To give satisfaction at a ball is more than might be hasily supposed; for the heroines of the past season have each spent, on an average, five-eighths of a volume at them. She may look pale under the lurid glare of the lamps, or wear but a simple dress of white; she may even the striple of the lamps. but a simple dress of white; she may even risk a rival as beautiful as herself; but there is one thing she can not do without. She must have finely-rounded arms. Four hundred and odd times this year she and he have been the admiration of the ball-room, and it has struck 361 assemblages on seeing them together that they are made for each other. Fifty-six times she has fainted at the ball in her lover's arms; seventy-nines times he has turned haughtily on his heel (this requires practice) and left her; 111 times he has gone with her into the conservatory to propose. with her into the conservatory to propose 102 of these declarations being observed by a dark figure against the window; and in all but seven of these cases he has omitted to say that if his wife knew she might not like it. If you have any difficulty in fixing or it. If you have any difficulty in fixing or the hero, he is always distinguishable by his habit of holding the heroine's hand a m

the hero, he is always distinguishable by his habit of holding the heroine's hand a moment longer than is absolutely necessary.

He had smoked beneath her window 121 times, and 114 shadows have passed upon the biind. In every case it has been she. A hundred and seven times it has been a warm night, and as she opened the window and gazed into the darkness her beautiful figure was displayed to the best advantage. He thought she was indeed an ethereal creature. She had sighed 91 times, and asked herself what could this be. Twice out of three times she has wondered if it was love, thrilling at the question. Seventy-three times he has seen the folly, the madness of his passion, and has called at her father's house to bid them farewell. Half an hour has almost invariably been the time that is to elapse before he starts for India; and when he turned his face in the direction of our dependency she called him by his Christian name 42 times, placed her hand upon her heart 61 times, and flung herself with a wild cry at his bosom 19 times. In 75 cases if he had turned round when he reached the door this novel need never have been written. Fourteen times he has hesitated on the threshold with his hand on the door, but nothing has come of it.

He has gathered her up in his arms 117

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He has gathered her up in his arms 117 times (here the plump ones are at an advantage), folded her against his breast 97 times, drawn her to him 74 times, taken her head between his hands 102 times, tightened his hold of her little waist 80 times, strained her to his heart 90 times, and plucked one burning kiss from her lips (ah, how it burned into her soul!), before parting with her forever, 101 times. In the great majority of cases when they next meet he is cold and formal, and she flings herself upon her bed and asks what it means. She can not make it out at all; but the reader generally can. Either he had been persuaded by his married sister to engage himself to another when he did not know what love was, or he has a wife in foreign parts. The poorest creature of a hero I have encountered this year was one who was struggling with a prior attachment. I had got so thoroughly into the groove that led to the other girl that I rather admired his impudence, and read on to see how he was exposed. He never was exposed. It was ambition, and there was no other woman.

Cousins are working well together. Fortysev have liked each other from the first, about a score have drifted apart, but the others have come to an understanding. Some soventy times the old uncle (or, when there is a thirst for novelty, the old aunt) leaves his money between them on condition that they marry, the one who refuses loses his or her share in the legacy. These elderly relatives are amazingly eccentric sometimes, but they have always this in common. It is the touch of nature that makes uncles and aunts akin. These are but the gleanings of my note-book, which is furnished with much else that, to me at least, is very curious and interesting. He has gathered her up in his arms 117

How the Dear Public is Chested. In Baltimore, until within a few months competition between the two gas companie gave consumers gas at the rate of \$1 per 1,000 feet. A "compromise" was finally effected between the rival companies, by which consumers "were obliged to pay an advance of 60 per cent. if paid within a limited time, and 70 per cent. if after that time. On Monday a suit for \$50,000 was entered against the Consolidated company by W. W. Gibbs "for services rendered in effecting the compromise between the companies, by which the consumers are made to pay the higher price."

FRANK L. SCRIBNER, of Philadelphia, a graduate of Girard college, has been appointed assisant botannist of the agricultural department at Wahington.

Liszt was twenty years old when Paganini was taking Paris by storm, and the expanded art of the great violinist, largely influenced Liszt in his creation of a new school for planists. GENERAL SHERIDAN and his wife, who

arrived in Los Angeles, Cal., on Sunday, were out driving on Monday, and their horses ran away. The carriage was upset and both were thrown out, but, although considerably shaken up, they were not seriously injured.

PRESIDENT ELLIOT and eleven professors of Harvard, Bishop Paddock, Rev. Henry M. Dexter, of the Congregationalist, and over fifty other elergymen, Thomas Bailey Aldrich, John Boyle O'Reilly, William Endicott, jr., O. B. Frothingham, Alexander H. Rice and Henry Cabot Lodge, are remonstrants to the Massachusetts legislature against female suffrage.

ZEBULON BUTLER, was a filtered Charles

against female suffrage.

ZEBULON BUTLER, son of Lord Chester Butler and grandson of Colonel Zebulon Butler, of Revolutionary fame, died in Wilkesbarre on Monday in the 47th year of his aga. Mr. Butler's grandfather was one of the ariy Connecticut settlers in the Wyoming valley and took an active part in the war with the Indians, which resulted in the massacre at Wyoming on July 3, 1778.

REV. T. GRAP, director of the Baltimore Catholic choir, who recently superintended the concert for St. Joseph's hospital at the opera house in this city, will leave Baltimore for New York to-day, and on Wednesday will take passage on the steamship City of Chicago for an extended trip to Europe, during which he will have an audience with Pope Leo XIII. Rev. Mr. Graf will stop at Queenstown, Ireland, a few days before going to the continent.

CAPTAIN HUGH J. HIGH, of the Potts town bicycle club, who left Pottstown on May
4 on a bicycle tour to Nebraska, had arrived
at Schellsburg, Bedford county, on Friday
evening, 8th. His route was by way of
Reading, Harrisburg, Carlisle and Chambersburg, and then striking westward he crossed
Cove mountain and reached McConnellsburg
at the end of the third day—distance traveled
in three days being 16 miles. in three days being 142 miles. He had to push the machine four miles up the mountain side, but rode down, and was informed by the natives that he was the only wheelman who ever attempted the perilous feat of rid-

Among the Churches A church congress was opened in Hartford,

Connecticut, Monday night. Prominent clergymen and laymen were present from different parts of the country, including Revs. Grafton, Boardman, Giles and New-Revs. Grafton. Boardman, Giles and Newton, of Philadelphia; Bishop Coxe, of New York; President Smith, of Trinity college, and Hopkins, of Auburn seminary, and Adams, of Rochester. The congress was called to order by Governor Harrison.

The conference of secretaries of the Young Men's Christian associations was continued Monday in Chattanooga, Tennessee. Several topics were discussed affecting the work of the association. Harrisburg, Pa., was selected as the next place of meeting. The following executive committee was elected: W. N. Morris, Baltimore; H. A. Orr, Pittsburg; G. N. Heckendam, Milwaukee; Wm. McCullock, Toronta; E. G. Frost, Portland, Oregon. In the evening the conference adjourned sine die.

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SALL LETTERS AND TELEGRAMS TO THE INTELLIGENCER,

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The Lancaster Intelligencer. LANCASTER, MAY 12, 1885 An Inherent Power. Gov. Pattison refuses to order a com mission to inquire into the sanity of Joseph Taylor, the prisoner in the Eastern penitentiary who killed one of the keepers. He says that he has no authority under the law to make such a commission, and that

recourse must be had to the heard of pardons for any action in the convict's behalf. The governor is doubtless right as to the lack of express authority in the statutes for the appointment of a commission by him to determine a convict's sanity, before he issues his death warrant. Yet there would seem to be such authority in

the governor's office because of the nature and the necessity of the case. The law can hardly contemplate that the governor shall sign the death warrant of an insane man; unless upon the theory of Dr. Hammond, that the fact of the insanity of a murderer is an additional reason for hanging him. If the governor adopts this theory he may very co sistently indeed refuse to interfere with the execution of Taylor. But if he thinks that he should not be hung if he is insane, he should not sign his death warrant until he is satisfied of his sanity; and he may ap-

It is true that since the institution of the board of pardons a large share of the responsibility for the hanging of innocent crazy people has been transferred from the governor's shoulders, and that official his conscience will let him, may permit the pardon board to do bis thinking for him in these matters, and be constitute himself to be the more executioner of their

self as to the fact.

as Governor Pattison says, that should be considered by the rd. It has once already considered it; but there is nothing to bar a further consideration save its own will. If it chooses to let Miller hang, though his insanity is testified to on abundant and strong testimony, it may do so; but as it does not seem probable that the board would be so deliberately cruel, it will be well for Miller's counsel to make the application to it, which has been refused by the governor. Unless the board really believes that insane slayers are best disposed of upon the gallows, it will surely listen to the weigty evidence adduced as to Miller's insanity. It has no express power, any more than the governor, to appoint a commission to inquire into his insanity; but it has the power implied in its duty to decide it, to adjudicate the question of sanity. It may do this in any way that it sees proper. There is nothing to stand in the way of its informing its conscience, unless it may be the lack of money and the inability to charge a debt against the state for expert testimony. But this can hardly be an ob-

in the world to secure, without charge, all the evidence needed to inform the conscience of the pardon board as to the mental condition of Joseph Taylor. The members of the board may say that there must be some end to the issues raised before them as to the pardon of convicts. And there is such an end whenever it is clear to them that a convict should or should not be pardoned. Until then there is no end. Their duty is to satisfy themselves, and their consciences hold them to it. If they can honestly say that they have thoroughly examined Jo-seph Taylor's, case, and have deter-mined and still determine upon a full show of the evidence, that he is sane, they need not hear further evidence; but in this event they will leave the people to wonder of what stuff they are made that the doubts

of witnesses have not penetrated their minds, and caused them to give him the benefit of that reasonable doubt which is

thrown over Miller's sanity by a multitude

preservted to him by the law. A Load of Useless Bills. The Wilkesbarre Union Leader agree with the INTELLIGENCER that the "real secret of the waste of the time of our state legislatures, the defeat of so many good easures and the passage of so many that are wholly bad," is in the lack of discrimination or honesty in the work of the committees which load the calanders up with

so many useless bills that are introduced merely for buncombe. It is lamentably true that very few mem bers in their work upon these committees give intelligent care to the great mass of bills laid before them. They log-roll among each other until the calendar is weighted up so heavily that scarcely a tenth of all that gets on it has any chance of passage,

best chance. But they too often are bur-ied under a lot of noxious bills that either must be passed in their utter deformity or they block the way. As an excuse for the apparent waste of time in the legislature which holds so few dons, it is said much valuable work is

done in committee. The calendars do not East and West.

The New York newspapers have had ended accounts, recently, of the "mar-" of a popular opera singer with a sical composer a few hours after the coman had been released from the bonds of matrimony by the decree of a dixorce for which the husband had sued on the grounds of her adultery. Her offending was open and shameless; she had gone off with the

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