rng, and religious character.

The tongue which these people speak is not German, nor do they expect you to call it so. They and it are "Duten," The choicest figure, however, was the For the native German who works with them on the farm they entertain some contempt, and the title "Yankee" is with them a synonyme for cheat. As lover the forchead and handing to the ing, and religious character. contempt, and the title 'Yankee' is waistband behind; hair out straight with them a synonyme for cheat. As must always bethe case where the great majority do not read the tongue which wool hat, with an astoundingly wide with the contemporary with a straight of the contemporary with the wool hat, with an astoundingly wide brim. The little girls, down to two years old, wear the plain cap, and the has become mixed and corrupt. Seeing a young neighbor cleaning a buggy, I fried to talk with him by talking (ierman: "Willst du reiten?" said I (not remembering that reiten is to ride on horseback. "Willst du reiten?" All my efforts were vain. I was going for cider to the house of the low of the remembering that reiten is to ride on horseback. "Willst du reiten?" All towel showing a quantity of work in my efforts were vain. I was going for colored cottons. When steel or elliptic springs were introduced, so great a nov Dutchman, and there I asked his daugh. cumstances, for "Are you going to ride?" "Widdn forry? Buggy forry? was the answer. (Willst du fahren?) Such expressions are heard as ' "Guck cinmal da," or "Pykroosht," she answered.

Those who speak English use such uncommon expressions as "That's a werry testy basket" (meaning durable;) "I seen him yet a'ready;" "I knew a voman that had a good baby wunst."

The bread is all" (all good bard of the meaning durable;) and the meaning durable; "I seen him yet a'ready;" "I knew a voman that had a good baby wunst." 'Just look at that!" and "Haltybis-

"I seen him yet a'ready;" "I knew a woman that had a good baby wunst;"
"The bread is all" (all gone.) I have heard the carpenter call his plane sla. neard the carpenter call his pinals soin, and a housekeeper apply the same pronoun to her home made soap.

A rich landed proprietor is sometimes ealled king. An old Dutchman who was absent from home thus narrated by the content of the internation. It and pass quickly over onec.)

I called recently on my friend and neighbor, Peter S—, who is a thrifty farmer, of a good mind, and a member of the old Mennist or Mentonite Society. I once account anied him and his pleasant wife to their religious meeting. The meeting-house is a low brick building, with neat surroundings, and resembles a Friends' meeting house. The Mennists in many outward circumstances very much resemble the Society of Friends, but do not, like the latter, hold that the object of extrome veneration is the teaching of the Holy eration is the teaching of the Holy In the intern of the Meaning and September 1 and Frame of the Security of the spirit in the secret stillness of the soul In the interior of the Mennist meeting a Quaker-like plainness prevails. The men, with broad-brimmed hats and simple dress, sit on benches on one side of the house, and the women, in plain

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I have lived for twenty years in the county of Laucaster, where my neighbors on all sides are Pennsylvania Butch. In the following pages I shall try to give, from my own observation and familiar acquaintance, some account of the life of a people who are almost unknown outside of the rural neighborhoods of their own State, who have much that is peculiar in their language, customs and beliefs, and whom I have learned heartily to estem for their native good sense, friendly feeling, and religious character.

what she would say, under the cir-nstances, for "Are you going to desiring to visit his friends, directed the blacksmith to put a spring inside his wagon, under the seat, and since that time steel springs have become comnon. I have even seen a youth with lowing hair (as is common among th

In mentioning these ludicrous cir-cumstances, far be it from me to ignore

the virtues of these unpretending peo HISTORY OF THE SECT. was absent from home thus marrated the cause of the journey: "I must go and see old Yoke "Jacob) Beidelman.—
Te people calls me te kink ov te manor (townsnip.) and tay calls him te kink (townsnip,) and tay calls him to kink ov to Octorara. Now dess kinks must come togedder once." (Accent together, or to be to b origin of the Dutch Baptists may be traced to the Waldenses, and that Menno merely organized the concealed and

ferent German States granted full civil rights to the Mennonites. In some cases this freedom has since been withdrawn. Hanover in 1858 annulled the election of a representative to the second cham ber because he was a Mennonite. Much of this opposition probably is caused by

and close-fitting dresses, but often their figures look very trim in brown, with green or bright handkerchiefs meeting yards are seen. One on a farm adjoining

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About five o'clock we were called to ens, cakes, pies, and coffee of course.—
We had raisin pie, which is a great treat in Dutchland on festive or solemn occasions. "Nine couples" of the bridal rarty sat down to supper, and then the remaining spare seats were occupied by the landlord's wife, the bride's uncle, etc. We had a fiddler in the evening. He and the dancing would not have been there had the household "belonged to meeting," and, as it was, some young Methodist girls did not dance.

One of my "Euglish" acquaintances

a while by candle and lamp, and got the young Methodist girls did not dance.

One of my "Euglish" acquaintances was sitting alone on a Sunday evening; when she head at arp at the door, and it ayoung Dutchman, an entire stranger, walked in and sat down, "and there was at his errand, politely making conversation; and finally he asked whether her daughter was at home. "Which one?" He did not know. But that did not make much difference, as neither was at home. "Which one?" He did not know. But that did not make much difference, as neither was at home. Mrs. G—afterwards mentioned the circumstanae to a worthy Dutch neighbor, expressing surprise that a young man should call who had not been introduced, "How then would they get acquainted." said he. She suggested that she did not think that her daughter knew the young man. "She would not tell you, perhaps, if she did." The daughter, however, when asked, seemed entirely ignorant of the young man, and did not know that she had ever seen him. He had probably seen her at the railroad station, and had found out her name and residence. It would seem to indicate much confidence on the part. name and residence. It would seem to same ground. By July, when the wheat indicate much confidence on the part of parents, if, when acquaintances are formed in such a manner, the father and mother retire at nine o'clock, and leave the young daughter thus to "keep company" until midnight or later. It is no wonder that one of our German sects has declared against the popular in great quantities, a part of one of the sects has declared against the popular manner of "courting."
I recently attended a New Mennist wedding, which took place in the frame by the properties the property of the pr

Great are the household labors in harvest; but the cooking and baking in the hot weather are cheerfully done for the men folks, who are toiling in hot uns and stifling barns. Four meals are common at this season, for "a piece is sent out at nine o'clock. One Dutch girl made some fifty ples a week in harvest; for if you have four meals a day, and pieat each, many are required. We have great faith in pie.

butter, three at a time. Two large copper kettles were hung under the beech trees, down between the spring house and the smoke house, and the cider was boiled down the evening before, great stumps of trees being in demand. hand watched the cider, and the rest of

hand watched the cider, and the rest of the family gathered in the kitchen and labored diligently in preparing the cut apples, so that in the morning the "schnitz" might be ready to go in.—
(Schneiden, to cut, yeschnitten.) Two bushels and a half of cut apples will be enough for a barrel of cider. In wedding, which took place in the frame by fall to be put into wheat, if it is demeeting house. We entered through an adjoining brick dwelling, one room than half of his forty acres into wheat:

Two dusties and a half of cat applies will be enough for a barrel of cider. In a few hours the applies will be in, and then you will stir, and stir, and

ters get occurred to the great locality of clock, and is prepared by the great locality of clock, and is prepared by the great piles of shirts for summer. We no longer make linen; but I have heard of one Dutch girl who had a good supply of domestic linen made into shirts and trousers for the future sed spouse, whose "fair proportions" she whose "fair proportions" she whose "fair proportions" she in the kitchen, which, with nice house.

In the kitchen, which, with nice house.

On Christmas morning we

hand to give to the little folks.

We still hear of barring out Christmas. The pupils fasten themselves in the school house, and keep the teacher out to obtain presents from him.

The first of April, which our neighbors generally call Aprile, is a great occasion. This is the opening of the farming year. The tennant farmer and other "renters" move to their new largest than the first of the strength of the farming year. The Dutch farmers aimost invariably keep their time half an hour or more atead, like that village of Cornwall, where it was twelve o'clock, but half our Dutch are not seen running to catch a railroad train.

Before these times of high prices, liquor was often furnished to hands in the half an hour or more atead, like that village of Cornwall, where it was twelve o'clock, but half our Dutch are not seen running to catch a railroad train. hand to give to the little folks. ther interest more and other renters' move to their new homes, and interest money and other debts are due; and so much money changes hands in Lancaster, on the first, that pickpockets are attracted thither, and the unsuspicious Dutch farmers on the first and the unsuspicious butch the farmers on the first of the fir farmer sometimes finds himself a loser. The movings, on or about the first, are made festive occasions; neighbors

ItoLIDAYS.

I was sitting alone, one Christmas time, when the door opened and there entered some half dozen youths ormen, who frightened me so that I slipped out at the door. They, being thus alone, and not intending further harm, at once left. These, I suppose, were Christmas mummers, though I heard them called "Bellschnickel."

ways eat with their forks, and use napkins? Those who eat with John Stein, John Stump, and John Stinger will be likely to accommodate their habits to those of the Johns.

On many busy farm occasions, the woman of the house will find it more successful to let the men eat first—to get the burden of the harvest, dinner off the mind and her hards, and these napkins? Those who eat with John Stein, John Stump, and John Stinger will be likely to accommodate their habits to convenient to let the men eat first—to get the burden of the harvest, dinner off the mind and her hards, and there is no successful to the successful the successfu

mumners, though I heard them called "Bellschnickel."

At another time, as I was sitting with my little boy, Aunt Sally came in smiling and mysterious, and took her place by the stove. Immediately after, there entered a man in disguise, who very much alarmed my little Dan.

The stranger threw down nuts and cakes, and, when some one offered to pick them up, struck at him with a rod. This was the real Bell schnickel, personated by the farmer. I presume that he ought to throw down his store of nice.

sonated by the farmer. I presume that he ought to throw down his store of nice things for the good children, and strike the bad ones with his whip. Pelznickel is the bearded Nicholas who punishes bad ones; whereas Krisskringle is the Christkindlein, who rewards good children.

On Christmas morning we cry. cry, the bell for dinner. On a recent pleasan On Christmas morning we cry, the bell for dinner. On a recent pleasant "Christmas gift" and not as elsewhere, "A merry Christmas!" Christmas is a churning out of doors, and cried, "Why, day when people do not work, but go to meeting, when roast turkey and mince pie are in order, and when the Dutch housewife has store of cakes on hand to give to the little folks.

vote thus: "All those who want leave to drink whisky will please to rise."
"Now, all those who don't want to drink whisky will rise." The affirmative had a decided majority.
Work is a cardinal virtue with the Dutchman. "He is lazy," is a very opprobious remark. At the quilting, when I was trying to take out once the

wives are decidedly inch. On the other hand, I heard of an English farmer's counselling his son to seek a Dutch wife. When the son had wooed and won his substantial bride, "Now, he will see what good cooking is," said a Dutch girl to me. I was surpreed at the remark, for his mother was an excellent housekeeper.

The circus is the favorite amusement to four people. Lancaster papers often complain of the slender attendance the like. Even theatrical performances

ter they are still quite plain, with simple inscriptions. Occasionally finally grave plained of the steel of a flaid. It stand beach from the high road, and ascense are to it is on, foot. To those who are to the graveyards are objected in the property the peeps, sponge cash, and coffee.

After dimension, and they will probably be oblite and the property the plain special desires. They were proving clear than the property the plain special desires and the property the plain special desires. They were proving clear than the property the plain of the property the property the plain of the property the property the property the plain of the property t DOORS, diegant pictures, and freecoes, statu-ary, and other works of art. This is the home of Asa Packer, located in the town of the coal miners, yet contrasting in every respect so conspicuously with the homes and joing and surrounding it. And here Asa Packer's family lives.

THE STORY OF THE MAN OF MARK.
But who is Asa Packer?
A poor carpenter from Connecticut, leaving his native State in pursuit of employment; a busy, bustling, prosperous mer-chant in the wilds of Pennsylvania; an enterprising, pushing, adventurous opera-tor in new schemes for the development of bis adopted State; a great and successful coal miner; a founder of banks; a ruilroad king; a man of untold wealth, the result of honest toil, prudent living, and a sagacity unsurpassed. Such is Asa Packer.

"Oh, no: I can carry it. It ain't heavy." replied Asa Packer; but the bag, nevertheless, was wrenched from his hand.
"Off again, Judge?" said the affable shake hands with the domestic stranger Yes; I've got to run up the road apiece."
'Well, good luck to you."
'Judge Packer," said I, abandoning all

"Judge Packer," and I, abandoning an expectation of securing a more favorable opportunity, "I have made a dilligent search for you, and run a long chuse after you, but I do not see as I can run you down in private. Here is a note that will both introduce me and explain my visit." And I handed the great man a letter with which I had been favored by a personal friend of the man of mark. the man of mark.

The Judge—wby he is called "Judge" I

nity, at the same time dispatching a measenger to my hotel with a bank note to liquidate my bill, and an order for my satchel, so as to be prepared to follow up the opportunity if it promised well.

PERSISTENCE OF THE SUN CORRESPONDENT "How far north are you going, Judge?" I asked, in breathless haste.

"I'm going up into Susquehanna," he replied.

replied.
"How far can I go on this train and get back in time to eatch the New York train to night?"
"To Wilkesbarre,"
"Ilow long does it take to go to Wilkesbarre,"

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avortes to reward, or party paupers to provide for, in the management of your own affairs, or those of you railroad.

Judge Packer—The public service requires numerous officers. It is perfectly proper, in filling those offices, for the appointing power to select its own friends and supporters. But in so doing there should be no greater number appointed than is absolutely necessary. Why the State should be really appeared to the first should be used to not the first should be not greater number appointed than is absolutely necessary. State should be called upon to afford sine cures to political drones more than a mere expenses of the State government shouldbe reduced to the lowest practicable point, thereby lessening the burdens and taxa-tion of the people. THE PARDONING POWER—CLASS LEGISLA-Reporter-Are these the only questions

Judge Packer-No. There are two others hich I regard as of paramount in

o the safety of the citizen and the virtue of be State. I refer to the indiscriminate uso of the pardoning power and special or class egislation. While the one is an incentive to crime unless cautiously and sparingly used, the other engenders corruption in the State, whereby the name of legislator becomes a reproach. Against these evils, reaching a magnitude that has cast a dark shadow over the State, every good citizen should projest. should protest Reporter-How would you remedy thes Judge Packer—I would exercise elemenency only where deserved, and upon the
clearest showing and would not hesitate to
see exercise the executive prerogative of the
veto sgainst all special legislation that is
conceived or enacted in a corrupt spirit, or
that can be covered by general laws. In
your own State of New York you have had
some experience of the evils of this class of
legislation, and the extent to which it can
be carried; and the present eminent executive of that State has shown what influence
a Governor may exert in counteracting and
checking this evil, which is even greater
with us than with you. Judge Packer-I would exercise clemen

with us than with you.
THE RAILROAD MONOPOLY. Reporter—Do not the vast railroad corporations of this State virtually create a great and powerful monopoly; and does not this monopoly exert an undue influence Such is Asa Packer.

A MAN OF THE PEOPLE.

"Mr. Packer, will you ride down?" said the omnibus driver, reining up to the side walk, as he noticed the great man with his satchel headed toward the depot.

"No, I thank you; I can walk," was the reply.

"Better hurry, then," said the driver; "time's most up.

"Oh, I'll catch the train; there's ten minutes yet."

"Judge, let me carry your satchol," said the pompous country squire, rushing up and clutching the baggage of the great man.

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"Mo, I was the result of this monopoly exert an undue influence upon the legislation of the State a monopoly dangerous to the State?"

Judge Packer—They might create a monopoly dangerous to the State on the trade of the seadily increasing, tending to a diffusion rather than a consolidation of power. And to this ond the State may very properly and safely foster and encourage the extension and completion, by necessary branches, of these trank roads. No other influence can be so potential in the development of the resources of the State as such lines of improvement. Rich as weare in our great and the particle const, as well as that of our own State, which is so great and to this monopoly exert an undue influence upon the legislation of the State are. the resources of the State as such lines of improvement. Rich as we are in our great mineral deposits, they would avail us little without these means of transportation.— Being prominently indentified with one of these lines of road, it may be supposed that I speak as a railroad man, and in the interests of the railroads alone. But I am confident that no consideration growing out of such a relation could warp my judgement.

THE JUDGE DOWN ON THE CHINAMEN. Reporter—I observe that the Philadelphia Press, the North American, and other jour-nals, advocate the introduction of cooly labor into this country. What is your opin into this country. What is your opinion of the prospects of success of such a
movement, and what would be its effect?
Judge Packer (smilling)—Now you are
taking me from Pennsylvania over to
China. But I have no hesitation in saying
that I think the introduction of the labor
you refer to would pauperize the white labor of the country. While our white labor when I wastrying to take out one of the levens, Katy Groff, who is eisty five excess, Katy Groff, who is eisty five excess the excess the excess the proposition with the words of which it was comprosed. Finally he seemed to be suited with an excess upon me he said:

"I am in somewhat of a hurry to catch the 12 o'clock train. It lacks ten minutes of the two not not be two mationalities; but I do not think the Dutch farmers desire English wives for their sons unless the words of which it was comprosed. Finally he seemed to be suited with it, and turning a smiling face upon me he said:

"I am in somewhat of a hurry to catch the 12 o'clock train. It lacks ten minutes of the country. The introduction of such a race as the Chinese would be most disastrous. The introduction of such a race as the Chinese would be most disastrous. The introduction of the labor was comprosed. Finally he seemed to be said:

"I am in somewhat of a hurry to catch the 12 o'clock train. It lacks ten minutes of the country was the remained to me we can talk on the way. Now, the distance from the cealer of the Lebigh Valley road is not every great, nor it can minute and the provided the provalent Christian sontiment of the country. I do not think the Dutch farmers desire English wives for their sons unless the train of the country was a control of the country. While also po

test.

A RREAK.

"Wilkesbarre," shouted the brakeman, thrusting his head into the door of the car."

"Really Judge," I remarked, "the time has passed more rapidly than I had supposed, and I am not half through the topic I had charged my mind with."

"Well, sir," he replied, "I have some business that will occupy me here for a few hours, and then I proceed farther north. I do not see how I can spare you more time at present.