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PITTSBURG, SUNDAY, AUG. 18, 1889.

THE CHAMPION'S DISASTER.

The pride of the prize ring and the champion of pugilism in the United States sentenced to a year in the Mississippi Penitentiary! After this Jersey justice will have to surrender the palm for tartness to Mississippi law.

Naturally the pugilistic fraternity stands aghast and Mr. Kilrain ejaculates in dismay at this intimation of the fate to which he has incautiously surrendered himself. The idea that the law is stronger than the sluggers, and that the men who were the heroes of the public a few weeks ago can be thrown into prison and taught an honest trade, penetrates the short haired crania of the fistic heroes like an electric bolt and arouses the question whether this is a land of liberty or a blasted despotism.

As for the rest of the public it will find interest and satisfaction in this demonstration that, on the subject of prize fighting at least, Mississippi law means something.

JUSTICE TO COLUMBUS.

An indignant citizen writes to the paper proposing that the 12th of October, 1892. shall be made the occasion for rectifying the injustice done to Christopher Columbus by calling the hemisphere which he discovered after the comparatively obscure explorer, and suggesting that Concress shall enact that after that date this Government shall be known as the United States of Columbia. There is no doubt that Columbuy has had hard measure in the matter. In addition to having his two continents stolen from him by Americus Vespucius, he has had the still harder fate of having his name attached only to third class towns

were involved. It is pitiful indeed that Boston has come to such a pass as to pride herself on possessing an easy-going citi zen who has not enough will-power and seuse of decency to set the public weal before his personal indulgence. WILLIAM THAW'S DEATH. The sudden death of William Thaw, Esq.,

at Paris, vesterday, removes one of the most prominent figures among Pittsburg capitalists, whose leadership among Pittsburg business men extends back to the previous generation, and whose great wealth and powerful influence upon Pittsburg's mater-

Whereat a Boston paper holds up its little

ial influence was not more marked than his broad generosity, his free-handed private charity and his promptness and leadership in all means of social and moral elevation Mr. Thaw's prominence in Pittsburg business affairs belong to the ante-railroad era. When the Pittsburg railroad system was in its infancy he was among the first to recognize its magnificent possibilities and to identify himself and his fortunes with

that work. As a result of his foresight and energy, he attained a rank in wealth

that is rivaled by only one or two of the great fortunes of this locality. While some others may have approximated Mr. Thaw's position in the ownership of millions no one equaled him in the constant and liberal flow of private or public benefactions. There is hardly an institution serving public or beneficial purposes that has not been the recipient of Mr. Thaw's liberality; and we do not believe that there is a single organi

zation doing work of relief or succor among the poor that has not known that his wealth could be relied on for the means needed to do good. Mr. Thaw's position as a railroad mat

often identified him with railroad policy which was necessarily the object of criticism by the public and press. But the sharpest critics of corporate policy which has been deemed to be injurious, recognized the high personal character and the unbounded charity which were his character istic qualities. Every one saw in him an

exceptional and striking example of the too rare class possessing great wealth and using it constantly and freely in whatever channels promise a return of private benefaction

or public good. It is a common saving that the places of prominent men are generally filled after their death; but Pittsburg will be fortunate, if the future develops a successor to William Thaw possessing a molety of his remarkable combination of energy, desire and ability to use great wealth for the welfare of

his fellow men. THE MARCH OF IMPROVEMENT. The extension of the rapid transit system

a city merchant who applied for and obearnings 6% per cent, and the total pay ment of interest and dividends, 6 per cent. tained a commission as Justice of the The past year has not been an especially Peace. After taking the oath as Justice to obey all the laws of the Common wealth it ocprosperous one for the railroad interest, but the above figures show that if the prevailing curred to him that there were some things he would have to give up if he obeyed his railway vice of watering capital were thor-oughly squeezed out of the railway busiconscience. He disliked giving up poker playing and several other small vices and he ness, it would have surpassed the average of business enterprises in the amount of its finally concluded that he couldn't live up to his oath, so he sent in his resignation.

returns. ELECTRICAL KILLING.

hands and exclaims: "If all our Justices of It is somewhat surprising to learn from the Peace were as conscientious as this genour esteemed and brilliant cotemporary, the New York Son, that the professional electleman, how many of them would retain their commissions?" But was he conscientious? Was he tricians who appear to think that their only function is to endeavor to produce a light rather conscienceless? If he had possessed which shall rival the effulgence of our coa conscience of any fine fiber would it not temporary luminary and its planetary have told him to give up his vices, petty namesake, "are outraged that the agency which they use should be employed for a though they might be, and serve his Com-monwealth? We think this Boston merpurpose so horrible as execution." If this chant a very common type in modern so is so it is necessary to remark that it exhiciety, a man not to be troubled with any bits a remarkable and somewhat misplaced twinges of conscience when his pleasures susceptibility on the part of the electricians. The punishment of criminals is one of the highest duties of sovereignty; and when that punishment reaches a capital degree it is an exertion of the sovereign

power in its gravest and most solemn aspect. If electricity is called upon to aid the Government in the discharge of this most grave and weighty duty, it certainly has no more reason to consider itself disgraced than when it is used to impel the common

street car, or to diff use its light for the benefit of drinking saloons and gambling resorts If electricity is going to be so high-toned in the choice of the purposes for which it is employed, the profits of the electrical companies will receive a shock amounting to

several thousand volts. This alleged theory of the electricians implies an opinion that the dignity of the electrical profession requires its killing to be confined to the unwary pedestrians upon the streets, who come in contact with derelict electric light wires.

LAST week was a pretty lively one for killings. On Tuesday a man named Glendennin shot and seriously wounded Judge Pierce, of the Superior Court, at San Diego, Cal.; on Wednesday Marshal Nagle sho and killed Judge Terry; at Covington, Herbert shot and fatally wounded Haines; on the same day a mob at Arlington, Tex., hanged and shot Jim Brooks, an escaped negro convict; a band of negroes shot and fatally wounded the Chief of Police at Jackson, in Tennessee; and on the same day the rival branches of the Clan-na-Gael held their pienies in Chicago.

THE capabilities of the human mind for fault-finding are illustrated by the fact that numerous of our estcemed cotemporaries, who were criticising the recklessness of having an ocean race between the transatlantic teamers, are now finding fault with the affair because the race was a slow proceeding. It is impossible to satisfy some people.

THE accident on the West Penn Railroad is another example of the necessity of constant vigilance in keeping the roadbed and rolling stock of railroads in the best condition. The exact responsibility for he fatality has not been clearly located by the reports; but it seems tolerably plain hat there was a weak spot in the track. A greater degree of watchfulness might have discovered it in some other way than by an accident which may cost a half lozen useful and honorable lives.

THE argument is presented against the Henry George theory, that some enterprising proprietors of theaters are giving

away town lots with theater tickets. The town lots are not worth anything, but the is now taking in the reorganization and rethan the argument and the theater tickets put together.

THE PITTSBURG DISPATCH. SUNDAY, AUGUST 18. 1889.

THE TORICAL TALKER. A FEMALE RAILROAD PRESIDENT.

Her Wonderful Success as Manager of a g Americans in Paris-Tony Paster's Epigram-A Busy Place-Mrs. Blaine is Comedy-Mr. Thaw's Charities-A Bal-

Breet Bailway Linc. Boston, August 17.—The little city of Dover, in New Hampshire, has a street railway, and it has been run by a woman—dhe of the shrewd-est of women, too. Mrs. Mary Edna Hill Gray Dow is her name. As President of the horse railroad she has been talked about all over the hand, and nothing more than the way in which she turned a dead failure into a substantial success was needed to give her fame. A lot of shrewd speculiators were haggling how the purchase of the property, when Mrs. Dow stepped in and quietly acquired a majority of the stock. Then she ousted the old Board of Directors, was elected president and gover the husband elected treasurer. She cut down expenses by purchasing supplies at rock bottom prices on the bargain counters of trade, and at the end of her first year of management she declared a 6 per cent dividend, besides lay-ing before the stockholders a sheet which showed that the debt of the road had been paid of. Ever since that time this business woman Comedy-Mr. Thaw's Charities-A Bal-Ind to a Signature. A GOOD many Pittsburgers and others who have been to Paris this summer have expressed to me unmeasured dissatisfaction with the great Exposition now being held there. Said one Pittsburger, who has just returned from Paris: "Paris, I am coming to think, is a delu-sion, and its Exposition a snare to Americans. It seems to me that all the Parisians are banded together for the express purpose of discoing Americans. I suppose they are not above robbing visitors of other nationalities in-cidentially, but their victims by choice and de-sign are Americans. Most of the latter fall an easy prey to the designing Gauls. They grum-ble at the outrageous prices charged for everyeasy prey to the designing Gauss. They gram-ble at the outrageous prices charged for every-thing, from hotel bills to back hire, but they pay all the same. Everywhere I went about Paris I met Americans, not singly, nor by twos and threes, but by hundreds. The Exposition iterally swarmed with my fellow countryme and women.

"As for the Exposition itself. I must confer I was disappointed in almost everything but the Eiffel tower. The American exhibit is ridiculous; it would have moved me to tears if it had not compelled me to laughter."

TONY PASTOR cannot be said to be an authority on much beside variety performances but he seems to have hit the truth wittily when he asserted, as he is said to have done, that the American exhibit in the Paris Exposition consists of some typewriters and folding beds illuminated by incandescent lights.

"How does it come that Blankville contain over a thousand inhabitants? What do they all

"What do they do? Oh, they mind other per ple's business-and it keeps them busy, I tell you," was the unkind reply.

NEWS about Mrs. James G. Blaine, Jr., loled out to the public rather grudgingly. Pro bably her managers realize that they overdid the press work at the start, and are determined

to atone for it by steady reticence now. It has leaked out, however, that the youn debutante is to challenge the approval of the American world in comedy instead of emotional drama. She is to try to win faughter instead of tears. This decision seems wise.

WHO can begin to tell the number of the late

Mr. Thaw's charities? The extent and variety of his largesses were extraordinary. Stories of his benevolence might be told by the score and yet but a faint idea of Mr. Thaw's generosity would be given. There was a bench in the ante-room without his office which was filled with applicants for charity every day and the greater part of the day when he was at home. He saw scoryone that called to seek his help, and gave freely where he thought dis-tress was real. Probably many conscienceless frauds imposed upon him. The School of Design will miss his hand and

heart. With Mr. Charles Clark he has been the stay of that excellent institution. At one time I heard of his sending a party of art stu-dents to Europe at his expense, that they might obtain the advantages their wealthier sisters commanded; at another time it was he who bought at a high figure, set by himself, a picture of a girl who was in need of money, although be had no use for the painting. Truly, Pittsburg has lost a great friend in Mr. Thaw. time I heard of his sending a party of art stu

A BALLAD TO A SIGNATURE. We've quarreled-1 know it Annette-But only as true lovers may-You'll forgive, dear, as well as forget, Let anger be done with the day. In fancy I'm hearing you say, You never my equal have met For naughtiness-well, dear, you may-You, only my little Annette.

Perhaps, dear, I was in a pet I was basty and bitter, and yet-Well I love you, that's all I can say-You, only my little Annette.

And shall be whatever I pay-et love all my failings o'erset And send me a comforting ray. Forgive me-'tis all that I pray, Nor say like a proofreader "stet!" I don't want to stay for a day

THEY DO NOT COME BACK.

One Dose of the New Elixir is Enough to Satisfy Anybody-The Physicians Have All Dropped the Experiments.

INFECTAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCE. 1 NEW YORK, August 17.—The Brown-Sequard elixir foundry in East Twenty-such street has shut down for an indefinite period. This is done not on account of poor business, for the stream of patients to the Loomis laboratory stream of patients to the Loomis laboratory was increasing every day. The trouble was that none of the old ones came back. They are at home nursing pains in the back and the ear-ache and various other disagreeable maladies, which they think were brought on by too much elixir. All the local experiments of this char-acter to date have been conducted by Dr. Harry P. Lowing around here direction and he new P. Loomis, or under his direction, and he now announces that he will make no further tests. He is through with it, he says, and will now devote all the time he has to spare to the theory of the distinguished French-American to collating the results of his experiments and preparing them for publication. Dr. Loomis won't anticipate the publication of his article won't anticipate the publication of his article by expressing any opinion of the value of the mixture at present. As none of the tests which he conducted produced any beneficial results, and as his opinion will, of course, be based on these tests, it is not very difficult, though, to figure out what his opinion will be.

Any Amount of Interest.

The Doctor says that since the newspapers have been mentioning his name in connection with the tests and the Brown-Sequard business with the tests and the Brown-Sequard business generally, he has been overrun with letters find inquiries relating to the subject, and life has been a burden to him. Now that he has dropped the thing he hopes for a little peace. As far as he knows none of the people who submitted themselves to the tests have felt any bad effects. When he was asked if any of them had felt any good effects, he declined to answer, but smiled a smile that did not augur well for his faith in the "youth restorer." Now that Dr. Loomis and the other reputable physicians have dropped the crase the quacks

Now that Dr. Looms and the other reputable physicians have dropped the crase the quacks will probably pitch in and coin money by pro-viding all applicants with doses of "youth restorer" or something else just as good-or just as bad. It is said one Sixth avenue quack has already gone into the business polesale plan.

Call It an Epidemic.

The Medical Record of this week gives Brown-Sequard and his mixture another shot, putting it in this wise: The Brown-Sequard rouble has struck America and seems to have trouble has struck America and seems to have at once attained the proportions of an epidemic. The daily papers are filled with reports of trials practiced all over the country and on old per-sons in all stages of decrepitude. The result in each case, if the dispatches are to be be-lieved, are a little short of miraculous. One of serted by no less an authority than Mr. Samuel Untermeyer, of the firm of Guggenheimer & our German exchanges, in commenting upon the rejuvenator, remarks that it furnishes additional proof of the wisdom of retiring pro-fessors at the age of 70. Brown-Sequard is 72

years of age. A dispatch from Washington says: The re-ports of blood poisoning from the use of the Brown-Sequard injection are having a marked effect in this city. Some leading physicians here had arranged for experiments this morn-ing and the sheep and patients were ready. The persons invited to be present were as The persons invited to be present were as-sembled, but the announcement was made that in view of the alarming reports of the effect of in view of the alarming reports of the effect of the elixir the physicians had decided not to make the experiments. for Europe to-day. Senator Evarts' trip is ostensibly for the purpose of having his eyes

Will Sue for Damages

Will See for Damages. A dispatch from Cincinnati says: The doc-tors have decided that the man Steele, named in recent telegrams, has blood poison. He will sue for \$5,000 damages. Felden Weir, the first man experimented on here, and whose wonder-ful cure was telegraphed broadcast, is in bed again. Great, hard lumps appear where the incisions were made, and he is delirious. Dr. again. Great, hard imps appear where the incisions were made, and he is delirious. Dr. Longfellow, who made the first experiments, in a published statement last night said he has lost faith in the elixir, and that a local paper paid all the expenses of his experiments for the

cons. Senator Hiscolf turned over his right to Senator Evarts. The many candidates for the offices in question are exceedingly dis-gruntled by Senator Evarts' failure to make the appointments before leaving. first news, Dr. Langinbeck, the chemist who prepares ine-tenths of all the elixir used here, says it is angerous if used after an hour and rank poison after two hours. This case amounts to a craze. There are reports that the workhouse

physicions have experimented indi with frightful results. THE'SUPPLY OF CAVIARE.

Pamphlet.

THE LARGEST EVER CAUGHT.

Trout Weighing Over Six Pounds.

THEN AND NOW.

A look as warm, a look as bright

As bloom of sunlit heather, Where youth and innocence unite With beauty-all together.

We spoke some words of light import, Talked of the summer weather: Paried, and smiled, and little thought Our fates were linked together.

Put Up in This Country it is Sent to Eur

ONE DAY IN NEW YORK.

spital. Both men gave names that proved o

and detained. The other man is too near dea

o be interviewed. The whole mysterious affai

will be investigated as soon as the principals recover sufficiently to appear in court.

Farewell for Fourteen Years.

believe he will survive more than a few years

A Big Contract.

Al Daggett's contract to furnish the Govern-ment with 2,000,000,000 postal cards for about

8800,000 has astonished men who know most about making postal cards. Ex-Postmaster General James hopes that Mr. Daggett will make money out of the contract, but regards it

make money out of the contract, but regards it as impossible. Warner Miller, who is regarded as one of the most competent and experienced mea in the paper business, expressed great sur-prise ticls morning when he heard what the fig-

ures in Mr. Daggett's bid were. He did not hes-itate to say that at these figures somebody would lose considerable money. Mr. Miller also said that at those figures he did not see how it

was possible for Mr. Daggett to seture bonds-men for the faithful performance of the con-tract. Mr. Daggett's friends say his annual

profit from the contract will be from \$25,000 to \$50,000. The Commercial Advertiser this after-noon published an article to the effect that Mr. Daggett has neither the plant nor the money to execute his part of the contract, and that in

bona fide manufacturers of postal cards. The

article claims that Mr. Daggett, before making his bid, got inside information as to the bids of

Distinguished Voyagers,

Commander Ballington Booth, of the Salva-tion Army, and Mrs. Booth, Thomas N. Waller,

Charles B. Trail, United States Consul to Mar-seilles; Senafor William M. Evarts, his daugh-ter, niece and his son, Allen W. Evarts, sailed

operated upon. For the past year his eyes have

been failing, until now he is nearly blind. Mr. Evarts has left two very important lucrative

vocancies in the Federal service to be filled. To him has been left the appointments of a United States Marshal of this district and a

Harrison placed this power in the hands of the

cock. Senator Hiscocle turned over his right

Lady Toprists Robbed

Miss Fanny Losey, of LaCrosse, Wis., 1

ators from this State, Evarts and His

United States District Attorney. Pre

idding he acted merely as a go-

his competi

mprisonment.

A Mysterious Battle. -D. J. Charbonnesu, of Williamstown INEW TORE BURRAU SPECIALS.

Ky., has a nen that is 14 years old. She has laid no eggs for four or five years, bub is sound and hearty. INEW YORK WITHAU SPECIALS.] NEW YORK, August 17.—Early this morning a big, well-dressed man, fighting drunk, entered a house on Thirty-second street. In a minute he had turned everything upside down. He upsets a bind negro at the piano, knocked down the mistress of the house and drew a bowie knife on a young lady. According to the story told by the women, their screams brought another big, well-dressed man to the rescue. This man claimed to be a detective. He tried to throw the rioter into the street. A terrific struggle between the two men followed. Both -A Cadmus, Mich., farmer fed a flock

-A Country, first, target but of swine several gallons of cider which was not soft. The hogs went on a glorious old drunk for three days, and a few of them passed peace-fully away, never realizing what had touched -An umpire for a ball game at L'Anse,

CURIOUS CONDENSATIONS.

Mich., paralyzed a crowd of people by appear-ing on the field armed with a cutlas, a big musket an ax and a spyglass. On his back was painted a big sign, "You will please side with me." struggies between the two men followed. Both fought with knives. For over ten minutes in the corridor, on the steps and in the street they slashed and stabbed each other. The drunken man plunged his knife vertically into his an-tagonistic such the form -Joseph Brooker, his wife and two holdren, arrived in Titusville the other day having walked all the way from Kamaa. They had been unfortunate there, and were on their way back to Elmira, N. Y., where they for-merly lived. tagonist's neck just inside of the collar bone and got a return stroke which severed all the muscles and tendions of his wrist. A police-

man who found them both faint from the loss of blood a few minutes later, took them to a -Officer Schroeder, of Cincinnati, found a pretty little animal about the size of a kitten on a street in the suburbs. He picked it up and was about to carry it home, when he sud-denly became aware of the "nature of the beast." It was a skunk. investigation to be bogus. The one who began the disturbance in the house tried to escape from the hospital this morning, but was caught

-A queer freak of lightning occurred at Kirkwood, Ga., a few days ago. A young man

named Gay was strack by lighting and the shock was so great that it tore the eyelets out of his shoes. Strange to say, Mr. Gay was not injured beyond the shock of the stroke, and is as well as ever.

Eben S. Allen, the ex-President of the Forty-second Street and Grand Street Ferry Railway Company, was taken to Sing Sing this morning to begin serving 14 years at hard labor for having franchisettle over is mad street in the -A peculiar accident occurred at a gas well near Anderson. Ind. The well is a phe-nomenal one, and has so far defied all attempts to pack it. Henry Loffner, one of the drillers, while passing the well extended his arm some two or three feet from its mouth, but directly over it, when the force of the gas blew his arm for having fraudulently over issued stock in the company over which he presided. He wept while packing his knick-knacks and mementoes preparatory to the journey. No one was at the station to bid him goodby. Allen's health is already broken. Few of his friends to a perpendicular position with as to dislocate it at the shoulder

-A discovery was made public in San -A discovery was made public in San Diego recently which is destined to add an-other valuable product to the already long list of California resources. This is a soap mine. A deposit containing thousands of tons of a fine quality of natural soap exists within a dozen miles of the city. Families in the vicin-ity of the soap deposit have recently tested it in the crude state with most satisfactory re-sults, and specimens shown in this city to-day would indicate that it will require little extra treatment in its preparation for market.

-The champion absent-minded man lives in Kingston, N. Y. The other evening he was desirous to see a man on business who resides destrous to see a man on business who resides not far from his own home. He started out on this errand and walked around several blocks immersed in profound thought. By the merest accident in his wanderings he came to his own residence. He paused in front of his own house and rang the door bell. He had evidently still retained the original purpose in starting out, for, when his son answered the ring, he calmly inquired of the lad whether his father was at home.

-At the Anthropological Congress, sitting at Vienna, the question whether Schlie-mann discovered Troy came up with great earnestness. A letter was received from Cap-tain Botticher, of Munich, the well-known optain Botticher, of Munich, the weil-known op-ponent of Dr. Schliemann, in which he renews his violent attacks upon the renowned archwol-ogist concerning Hissarlik (Troy). Herr Bot-ticher contends that the inscriptions show that this was not Troy, but a Necropolis used for burning the ashes of the dead. Prof. Virchow called this theory of Dr. Schliemann's oppo-nent "ridiculous nonsense."

-In one of the twin lakes hear Lakeville Conn., is a rock known as Moving Kock. It is close in shore, in about four feet of water, and close in shore, in about four feet of water, and rushes grow up all around it. Fifteen years ago, it is related, this rock was far out in the lake, and in size was nearly ten times what it is to-day. It was observed to move each spring from 10 to 15 feet, leaving a deep furrow in the yellow clay at the bottom of the lake. The general opinion among the natives is that the ice, when it breaks up each spring, is piled in tons upon the rock by the north winds, which have a clean sweep over the lake, and thus the rock is driven closer and closer in toward the bank.

-The ingenuity of a Boston rat is well forthy of reward. Indeed, he captures the doughnut. He has taken up his quarter in the kitchen of the Metropolitan Hotel, and the following remarkable story is told of him by one of the waiters: "A few evenings ago," said the waiter, "I had occasion to go down, into the kitchen. It was dusk when I arrived and an even of the waiter of the story of the the

into the kitchen. It was dusk when I arrived and as soon as my eyes became used to the light I saw a large rat walk deliberately up to a dish of doughnuts and take them out one by one and string them on his tail, as yon would string beads. When he had put on five and loaded his tail all up he turned arounds tool the end of his tail between his teeth, and gee-fully walked off."

passenger on the steamer Werra, was robbed this morning of jewelry worth \$600 and a purse containing \$100. While she was bidding farewell to some friends her stateroom was entered and her trunk broken open. An excitable French woman today in the Pennsylvania Rallroad depot Thirty-fifth street police station, New York. the other evening, and a rap on the desk caused the sergeant in charge to grab his pen and turn around in his chair with a weary "Drunk!" There was no answer, and he looked up to meet the gaze of a horse looking at him over the rail. The two eyed each other in silence for a full minute, then the big beast turned to go into the prison. In doing so he backed up against the Captain's door. The Captain yelled "Come in!" and when no one came he oneued the door to encounter the horse making for his lounge. The Captain yelled, and the sergeant rang for the reserves. The house-duty man caught the horse by the nose just as it was going into the cellar. An excited German truckman claimed the animal. It had run away from him on Third avenue and made straight for the police station. the other evening, and a rap on the desk cause

-St. Paul is one broad grin over the dis-

covery by an evening paper that the Minne-apolis directory is padded with the names of

Untermeyer, of the firm of Guggenheimer & Untermeyer, that the syndicate is ready to put up the requisite \$15,000,000. While the syndi-cate has not been completed it has assumed tangible shape, and is the subject of universal discussion among the New York publishers. The plan as already mapped out is that the Enclish syndicate shall buy outright the busi-ness of the leading publishers of cheap novels in this city and in Chicago. The list includes George Munro & Co., who have placed their price at \$125,000; the John W. Lovell Company, which concern would not sell out for less than half a million; M. J. Ivers & Co., Hurst & Co., W. L. Allison, Norman Munro, J. B. Alden and John S. Oglivie, all of this city, and Rand, McNally & Co., and Bedford, Clark & Co., of Chicago. Representatives of most of these concerns have already been approached and their figures obtained. John S. Oglivie talked freely about the proposed enterprise. He dranky acknowledged he had been approached by a representative of the English syndicate, and had been asked to name his price. He did o and placed his figures at the modest sum of \$300,000. "I do not understand that the scheme is to "I do not understand that the scheme is to "I do not understand that the scheme is to form a Book Trust, though," said Mr. Oglivie. "As I understand it, the scheme is to form a corporation to buy out all the publishers of cheap publications, and i think it will succeed, for the simple reason that a majority of the publishers in our line are willing to sell out. The scheme, in my opinion, is practicable, and while I don't pretend to have an immensely jong head, I would feel perfectly satisfied in guaranteeing a 15 per cent dividend to the ip-vestors the first year, if the scheme is put in operation as suggested, and I see no reason why it should not be."

With Charlie-the firt of our set-When you thought your own knight was away. I'm made of no wonderful clay

Dear lady, I'm still in your debt.

ing before the stockholders a sheet which showed that the debt of the road had been paid of. Ever since that une this business woman has run the road to the satisfaction of the com-munity and stockholders, winning a good deal of fame in the bargain. Dr. Dow, the husband, is living his last days, and his wife a few weeks ago duifully decided to give him her constant care. But she was bound at the same time to make a financial strike. Accordingly she set about looking for a purchaser for her stock in the road. She had bought this at very low figures and now it was worth much more than par and earning 14 per cent dividends. M.E. P. Shaw, of Newburyport, Mass., when a syndicate of Dover peeple, said to have been backed by the Thomson-Houston Electric Com-pany, went to the Legislature with a petition for a charter for an electric railway company. Hare was the crisis of Mrs. Dow's business ife. Dover could not support two roads-that was plain. Ergo, the new enterprise must be squelebed. So the plucky womau went to Con-cord and began to try the temper of the famous New Hampshire lobby, and before she left Concord the Legislature had tacked the syndi-cate's bill on to her charter as an amendment. Then she returned victorious to Dover, sold Mr. Shaw her interest in the road, and this week she retired to private life, not only wiser but much wealthier than she was before.

Street Railway Line.

THE LATEST ENGLISH VENTURE. Syndicate Wants to Control the Book

Publishing Business. ISPECIAL TRLEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.1 INFECTAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISFATCE.! NEW YORE, August 17.—There is to be a Book Trust. English capitalists are once more willing to invest their pounds sterling in American enterprises. The next venture is said to be to secure control of the business of the publishing of cheap literature in the United States. Such a scheme would involve the floating of at least \$10,000,000, and it is as-sected by no less an authority than Mr. Samuel

like Columbus, O., and obscure villages, such as Columbus, Ga. But, beyond the fact that the Constitution makes this country the United States of America, it is evident that a rectification of the wrong, which only attached to this part of the Western Hemisphere, would be insufficient. The reformers should point out to Secretary Blaine that an opportunity for such mental as well as vigorous diplomacy presents itself, if he will make this an issue before the coming Congress of American-or Columbian-republics.

PLUNDERING THE POLITICIANS.

The exploits of the thief who robbed the yacht Manatee, on which Mr. Disston, of gheny. To replace that structure by a Philadelphia, was entertaining a party of political friends, and chief among them our Matthew Stanley Quay, has a significance which is unperceived by some of the political organs which are commenting upon the affair. This is the more remarkable as the obvious deduction from the exploit of the thief in relieving the junior Senator from Pennsylvania of pocket money to the of Allegheny by elevated ways passing extent of forty dollars, is one which our political cotemporaries would be very glad to draw.

It is obvious that the thief was not a Republican politician. No Republican of any ardor, however devoted he might be to the burglarious profession, would rob the man who carried the Republican cause to victory in the last Presidental campaign. On the other hand, no Democratic thief, after the experience which his party had of spoiling Democratic schemes to steal either

elections or less valuable portable property, would dare to meddle with Senator Quay's pockets. The inference, therefore, by the logical process of exclusion, is that the thief was a Mugwump; and it hardly speaks well for the discernment of our cotemporaries, the organs, that they have failed to make this discovery and enlarge upon it to the discredit of the hated Independents.

With this important significance to the affair, it is somewhat remarkable that our New York Sun, should travel off upon the fell to the thief, and Senator Fassett, of which escaped the thief's notice, it demonstrates the superior sharpness and ability of the New York State Senator at the diversion which probably occupied the statesmen during the preceding evening. That the New York Senator may have preceded the thief in getting hold of Senator Quay's lent it to him.

In the meantime we regret to observe that the success, either of the thief or of \$58,603 for 1887. Upon Mr. Poors' own Senator Fassett, broke up the yachting statement, some years ago, that the average party. If those two worthies had obtained all the money of the party, could not an per mile, this shows the capitalization more assemblage of such political characters have made the hours interesting, with wagers of erty. This fact puts a very different showpolitical value and consideration, of which ing upon the meager percentage of gross each has such a store, in the shape of offices and net earnings and dividends. Upon the and nominations?

CONSCIENTIOUS, FORSOOTH!

There be strange mortals in Boston City.

construction of our bridges. Yesterday the addition to the Smithfield street bridge by which the Southside Traction line is to reach the city was noticed in THE DIS-PATCH. Next comes the purchase of the Ninth street bridge by the Pleasant Valley line, and the authoritative announcement that it will be replaced by a fine iron bridge, accommodating the new electric road, vehicles and foot passengers.

The Hand street bridge is one of the old landmarks and one that can be dispensed

with to the best public advantage. Its darkness and general antediluvian character have been impressed upon all who had

to take that route from Pittsburg to Allebridge of modern design and make it the connecting link with Pittsburg, of an electric system reaching out to the hill district, will be a sharp change from the dark ages to the most modern ideas. The next step should be the building of

the new Fifth street bridge and the connection of all the bridges, with the upper part above the railroad tracks. There is no doubt that these cities are thoroughly imbued with the spirit of improvement.

INSTRUCTIVE RAILWAY FIGURES.

The introduction to Poors' Manual, giving the statistics of the railroads of the United States for 1888, which has just been received by THE DISPATCH, from the publishers, whose names have become synonymous with the business of railway statis-Matthew Stanley Quay's sharpness in tics, contains several interesting and important points. The first, of course, is the magnitude of

the totals presented by a complete statistical review of the railroads. The total mileage of railroads now within the United States 15 156,082, while the mileage of lines making returns is 154,276 against 147,999 for 1887, the increase being 4.24 per cent. With this increase of mileage, the gross earnings of the railroads last year was the largest on record. being \$966,256,270. The net earnings, on

the other hand, show a decrease of nearly 10 esteemed and brilliant cotemporary, the per cent from those of 1887, and both the gross and net earnings per mile are considinsignificant side issue that, inasmuch as erably below those of the preceding year. Smator Quny had only forty dollars, which The total tonnage of freight transported is also the largest on record, having been 589,-New York, had three hundred dollars, 298,317 tons against 552,074,763 tons in 1887. Against these figures the increase of capital and indebtedness by the railroads reveals the steady growth of the weak point of the entire railroad system. While the increase of mileage for the year is about 41% per cent, the increase of the already heavily watered share capital is nearly 6 per cent, money is possible, but we will venture the and the increase of the funded debt amounts assertion that if it is so Senator Quay only to 9% per cent. Consequently the stock and indebtedness per mile of all the roads

in the country amounts to \$60,732, against cost of railroad construction is about \$30,000 than double the actual value of the propnominal capitalization the gross earnings are but a little over 10 per cent; and the net

earnings slightly below 31% per cent; and the total amount paid in interest and divi-Just now some of our Boston cotemporaries | dends only 3 per cent of the total capital. are congratulating their bailiwick on pos- But supposing the roads to be capitalized at nre congratulating their bailiwick on pos-sessing at least one conscientious man. It is a greft boast. The rarity at the Hub is show a percentage of 20 per cent, the net "I'm something on a guy, sir, myself."

A CHICAGO merchant visiting New York the other day was taken in by bunko steerers, and of course the press of the two cities necessarily make the incident significant as bearing upon their respective claims for the international exhibition. They are foolish to do so. They do not perceive the obvious fact that it shows Chicago to be too

confiding and New York to be too thievish to permit either of them to take the job of running a show on which the reputation of the country depends.

> THE Georgia duel was ridiculous enough already, and the assertion of some of our cotemporaries that it was entirely fought out with blank cartridges is adding an extravagant and superfluous element of absurdity to it. People should not gild refined gold, or

paint the lily, even with regard to burlesque duels.

> THE United States naval officers are able o very pertinently answer the criticisms for putting one man as a prize crew on board the "Black Diamond," instead of putting enough of the crew on to navigate the yes-

sel to Sitka. It was more important to keep the United States vessel than to maintain the captured one; and if they had put three or four men on the Canadian bark, wha would they have done with the revenue vessel?

THE vigor with which several leaders of the political world find it necessary to deny the existence of that deal may be generally taken as evidence that there is some fire

under all that smoke. THE energy with which our esteemed cotemporary, the New York Sun, is calling

upon General Harrison to remove Postmaster General Wanamaker, in order to save the administration from failure, creates the impression that Mr. Wanamaker's delay in abolishing the sickly green postage stamp has been fatal to him.

WHETHER the new elixir is able to give the human race long life or not, there is foundation for the hope that it is very rapidly nearing the point where it can give us a rest.

MRS SARAH ALTHEA HILL-SHAROW. TERRY is stated to be an attractive young widow: but in view of the history of her previous husbands, either alleged or acknowledged, the man who would contemplate a matrimonial alliance with her may he set down as deciding that this life no longer has any charms for him.

TEXAS is evidently taking up the reputr tion which South Carolins has cast aside for the survival of that sort of barbarism known as race conflicts.

THOUSANDS of acres of wheat fields are reported to be destroyed by the prairie fires in Northern Dakota. The farmers consid ered it a great misfortune until they read the report that the two railroads of that section had formed an elevator trust, which puts the destruction of the grain crop in the light of a blessing in disguise.

Greeting the Gerner.

From the Alta California.7

ENVOI

So write me s letter to-day, Any kind, dear, so long as you let Your sweetest of signatures stay "I'm ever your little Annette." HEPHURN JOHNS.

PEOPLE OF PROMINENCE.

JAY GOULD has aged considerably in appear-ance since last year. His beard, which was formerly black and glossy, is now quite gray. DONN PLATT, who is nothing if not eccentric says the ordinary member of Congress cares nothing for books-that he never had a book, if he he had he would not be a member; therefore, when any bill to assist what a prominent Senator called "them literary fellows," is brought before Congress it is promptly voted

WILLIAM D. HOWELLS believes with An thony Trollops that a novelist should no more wait for inspiration in his work than a shoemak-er or a tallow chandler. They both act upon the principle that writing novels is purely mechanical work, hke writing lawyer's briefs, for in stance, or bookkeeping.

THE bronze monument of Robert E. Lee at Richmond, Va., will be unveiled in November next. The pedestal is being built of New Eng-land granite, to the disgust of General Jubal Early and numerous other "lost cause" irrecor cilables, who think it pollution to bring any Yankee thing upon the sacred soil of the Old

THE largest price offered for a Newport "cottage" was made by Mr. Leiter, of Washing on, who will give \$510,000 for the Gardne Brewer place on Bellevue Avenue. The estate 13 acres, and has a fine water front, but the "cottage" is an old one, and a very modest one compared to those more re-cently built in Newport.

ALPHON E DAUDET had determined to remain a bachelor, because he was afraid should he make a wrong step in matrimony he might dull his imagination; but meeting Mademoiselle Julie Allard, who was a charming writer as well as a lovely woman, all his fears were re-

moved. His marriage has been a very happy one. His wife has been the light of his hearth, the regulator of his work, and the discreet counselor of his inspiration. There is not a page that she has not revised, retouched and Hycend.

JOHN H. B. LATROBE is the oldest lawyer in the United States, practicing his profession. He is 35 years old; graduated at West Point in 1823 at the head of his class; soon re-

Point in 1822 at the head of his class; soon re-tired from the army and studied law; was ad-mitted to the bar 65 years ago, and has been in active practice every since. He is one of the few survivors of the band of gentlemen who took part in the splendid military and civic display in Baltimore in honor of La Fay.

ette in 1824. Tuis summer Mr. Latrobe has gone on his annual trip to West Point. He is the father of Ferdinand C. Latrobe, the present Mayor of Baltimore, who has been six times Mayor of that city.

MRS. MACKAY was a young, pretty, dashin widow when she attracted the attention of J. W. Mackay, who was at the time a miner working for \$4 a day. She matried him, and when Flood, O'Brien and Mackay struck the Bonanza

Flood, O'Brien and Mackay struck the Bonanza mine and became millionaires ten times over, Mrs. Mackay went to Paris and soon began to fiourish as the most brilliant and most extrava-gant American woman that has ever bloomed in the gay capital of Republican France. Her costumes were so rich and expensive that even have descine and actionished Discourd From the St. Louis Republi

Paris was dazzled and astonished. Diamonds that an Empress might have envied were worn in profusion by this splendid American, and her banquets were so luxurious that even the fastidious Luculius might have been satisfied. Disarming English Critics.

From the Philadelphia Times.; In advance of any enlightened British criti-cism upon Deputy Sheriff Nagle's defende of Judge Field, let us take occasion to any that is is none of the enlightened Briton's funeral.

Bound to be Heard From. From the Columbus (O.) News.; Shouts and Holler, the Ropublican candidates for Representative in Licking county, are cer-tain to make a noise in the campaign. been no picales, no ice cream parties, no lawn festivals, no boat rides. In fact, whenever and

BOYCOTTING THE BOYS.

adignant Kentucky Belles Issue a Mani-

festo Against Their Niggardly Beaux.

CALHOUN, KY., August 17 .- For some time

the greatest indignation has prevailed among the fair young ladies of this town. The young gentlemen recently have not been as attentive as Kentucky gallantry warranted. There have

wherever money was to be spent the beaux were absent, but if no funds were required they appeared in numbers. This may not have been due to stinginess, but to a temporary pov-erty which they could not prevent: but, in the judgment of the girls, that did not suffice for an excuse. Accordingly the indigmant belies an excuse. Accordingly the indignant bellet held a meeting and adopted the following resolutions, which were printed in this week's sue of the local paper, the *Constitution*; WHENEAS, We, the undersigned bellevit issue of the local paper, the Constitution: WHENEAS, We, the undersigned, believing as we do, that we have not received the treatment from the young men of this town that we merited, have, with a view to self-protection, mutual bene-fit, and future welfare, organized ourselves into a This caviare was nearly all shipped to Ger-many, but some of it will return to this country in small tin cans and be greatly increased in value on account of the duties and foreign bdy: and function of the second secon

The sturgeons are put in large nets, and the roe must be removed while the fish is still alive, or it is of no use. The roe is in large dark flakes. It is carefully rubbed through sloves to separate the eggs, about the size of duck shot, from the film or membrane that bolds them together. Great care is taken to prevent the

prayer meetings, her crain appear essort to such places. Resolved, 2. That if we cannot be "tablocioth" we will not be "dishrag;" in other words we will not accept a card, if we find or know that the sender has sent one to some other young lady pre-viously to sending to as the same evening. Resolved, 3. That we think the young men of this town display unbounded audacity and temerity when they accompany ut to places where no cash is necessary, but are conspicuously absent when something takes place which would necessitate going into their pocketbooks. Resolved, 4. That every member of this organi-ration be furnished with a copy of the resolutions. Miss — , Secretary.

a pound. The hides are used, and the rotation sent to New Jersey, where it is converted it As a result of this bold manifesto the boys have managed to rake up some cash, and are spending it quite liberally, in order to regain the good graces of the Cathoun young ladies, who are as handsome as any in Kentucky.

COLLECTING MAIL IN TUBES.

Novel Scheme for Gathering Up Letters About to be Tested.

Messrs. John Manning & Co., of Philadelphia, have published a pamphlet entitled "The Modern Advertisement; Its Resources and Curiosities," by John Manning and Arthur H. MacOwen. In 40 pages some very interesting facts are told about newspaper advertising. Many suggestions are made which, if acted upon, will assure better results to business men who reserve to the use of wrintery link. One of PHILADELPHIA, August 17 .- A commotion has been caused among the letter carriers in the Philadelphia Postoffice over a rumor that the pneumatic tube system for the collection of mail matter will probably be introduced in this city. It is said that the experiment will first be tried in the business section of the city, who resort to the use of printers' ink. One of these relates to originality in matter and in-dividuality of style in getting up the "ad." Some curious samples are given in the book. The next thing recommended is to select a newspaper the circulation of which guarantees to the advertiser that he may expect a profit on his investment. To this branch of the sub-ject the pamphilet devotes considerable atten-tion, pointing out very clearly how much influ-ence the methods of a publisher may have on the advertiser, and giving a list of newspapers in the United States and Canada, among which is, of course, THE DISPATCH, as examples of public journals that are pre-eminently of value who resort to the use of printers' ink. One of and if found to be successful there the pipes will be extended to all parts of the city. The public journals that are pre-eminently of value to business men. On the whole, Manning Co.'s little book is well worth reading.

will be extended to all parts of the city. The Postmaster General has been investigating this scheme, and is said to be favorably im-pressed with its feasibility. In private busi-ness he has found that by a generous use of wind deliars can be made to roll from the four points of the compass into one big money box, and he sees no reason why the same agency cannot be made to serve Uncle Sam and bring mail dropped into the letter boxes in all parts of the city into the central office. The plans for the new system have not yet been thoroughly digested, but the general idea is to lay a system of pacumatic tubes in all the main streets of the city and connect them with the letter boxes located on those streets. The connection would be by means of a pipe run-ning underground and up the inside of a lamp-post where it would be fitted to a box of peculiar construction. This would place all parts of the city in direct communication with the general ipostoffice. A Rochester Fisherman Captores a Brown ROCHESTER, N. Y., August 17 .- The larges

A NEGRO'S MAGIC TOUCH.

He Cialms to Cure Chronic Diseases by Low

ROCHESTER, N. Y., August 17.—The largest brown trout ever caught on this continent was landed last evening at Spring Creek, Mumford. The fish weighs 6 pounds 2 ounces, and its pro-portion and compliction are perfect. This is one of the species of brown trout, the spawn of which was imported from Germany, and re-ceived at the New York State hatchery on February 18, 1884, so that its age cannot be more than between 5 and 6 years. The largest ever caught previously weighed a triffe over 5 pounds.

He Claims to Cure Chronic Diseases by Lay-ing on of Hands. BIRMINGHAM, ALA, August 17.—Frederick Stern, a colored doctor of Scotsboro, has made a sensation among the people of his own race by the cures which he professes to have made by the laying on of hands. He rubs the ailing portion of the patient's body, and the patient has a tingling sensation like that produced by a mild current of electricity. The other doctors and the newspapers of Scotsboro denounce Stern as a fraud. A pair of laughing, loving eyes, That memory might well treasure, A look of welcome, and surprise. Of friendship, fun and pleasure.

Stern as a fraud. Several persons afflicted for years with chronic diseases say they have been cured by Stern in a few hours without the aid of medi-cines. The negroes almost worship Stern, and are firm in the belief that he possesses super-neural powers.

The Happlest Man.

You were a little girl in pink, So well can I remember, 'Twas late in August, as I think, The Marquis of Lorne has written a volume of peems entitled "Who is the Happiest?" When his answer comes along it will probably be, The man who has not married into the Or earliest Septen The sea that day was calm and blue (In every mood I leve 15), The sun shone bright on it and you From the blue sky above 1s.

Royal family.

DEATHS OF A DAY.

Congressman James Lated.

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OWAHA, NEB., August 17.--Congressman James Laird, of the Second Nebraska district, died at his some at Hastings at 10;20 o'clock this morning, of compileation of diseases. An operation was per-formed inst Wednesday, from which has failed to wity. He was unconscious for 24 hours before And Low let wild waves rest or roar, Skies smile, or frown with thunder We twain on life's mysterious shore No more shall part asunder.

and Returned DELAWARE CITY, August 17 .- The great in

agross the river com she had lost a satchel containing money, dia-monds and a first-class ticket to France. She dustry here is the catching of sturgeon and the gave her name as Mrs. De La Vere, of Chicago. making of "Russian caviare." There are three She said that she had two trunks and the satchel checked by Dodds Express. When she got to the New York side the trunks were firms engaged in the work, and during the spring there were 4,700 sturgeons caught, the aggregate weight being about 376,000 pounds. They were valued at \$22,560. Of the total catch there, but the satchel was missing. It con-tained \$30 in money, diamonds valued at \$400 2,820 were roe fish, which netted 720 kegs of caviare of 140 pounds each, valued at \$19,440. and her steamer ticket.

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A FLOATING RUM SHOP.

Novel Scheme to Evade the Liquor Laws in a Dry Ohio Tows.

CELINA, O., August 17 .--- Shane's Cr. a local option election a few months ago went dry. One of the saloons promptly moved try. One of the saloons promptly move separate the eggs, about the size of duck shot, from the film or membrane that holds them together. Great care is taken to prevent the crushing of the eggs. They are salted and packed in kegs. There is nothing wasted of the stargeon. The meat is cut into steaks and kept cold, later in the season being shipped to New York and Philadelphis, where it salls from 12 to 22 cents a pound. The hides are used, and the refuse is a pound. The hides are used, and the refuse is across the river, which forms the corporation line, and, taking possession of an island, fitted up a beer garden. The proprietors rigged up a dummy elevator with which to supply farmers passing over the bridge who had not time to go below.

covery by an evening paper toat the Minne-apolis directory is padded with the names of dogs. A reporter found the following on page 225 of the Minneapolis directory just issued: "Carl Baxter, colored, watchman, Crescent Club," Having been given a tip that some-thing was wrong about this entry, the reporter called at the Crescent Club and accosted W. H. Baxter, steward of the club, whose name ap-pears just beneath that of "Carl Baxter," with the request to be introduced to the latter. "Certainly," said Mr. Baxter with a smile, and with a low whistle called up a splendid brown dog. "There, my boy," he said, "is Mr. Carl Baxter. I have had that dog six years, and he is brighter than half the men in this city. Ho is a treasure, and I have had his name put in the directory. He is entered as 'Carl Baxter, colored, watchmaa.' He is colored all right, a brown, and if he cannot watch I want to know who can." It is said that several other dogs were given places in the directory, thus help-ing to bring the total "population" up to 22,000. Last Saturday the township also voted on the Last Saturday the township also voted on the question, the result being "dry," but the pro-prietors of the saloon have discovered that the St. Mary's river, which flows at the foot of the street and was formerly used by flat boats to transport supplies from St. Mary's to Ft. Wayne, is still a navigable stream. So they are building a flat-boat for their liquor traffic and will run it every day, making regular turns, from a half-mile above the town to a half-mile below, anchoring at the foot of Main street every night. THE MODERN ADVERTISEMENT. It is Made the Subject of a Very Interesting very night. Meeters John Manning & Co. of Philadelphia

A BEAR MAKES A MISTAKE.

Thinking He is Pursuing Another Animal He Chases Himself.

From the Alta California.]

California bear stories are again rife in the East. We have seen no publication of the ex-ploit of that big grizzly who started to walk ploit of that big grizzly who started to walk around a pine tree and caught up with his own hind-quarter. Thinking they belonzed to an-other bear, he opened war on his own rear with tooth and toe-nail. When he felt himself claw-ing himself he thought, of course, that it was the other bear, and chawed the harder. He never discovered his mistake until he had swallowed himself clear down to his ears, and then it was too late to retreat. This story has the merit of being true. We have seen the man who toid it.

TRI-STATE TRIFLES.

a hustler. She testifies that on August 3 a certain man promised to marry her. On Aug-ust 13 she sued him for breach of promise.

B EDFORD is the home of one of the oldes

Masons in Pennsylvania. Daniel Minnich wat 84 years old on the 21st of June and has been as

A LARGE retriever dog owned by Dr. Beaver.

of Conshohocken, walked into the residence of Mr. Robert Stewart a few days since, retrieved

member of the Masonic order 63 years,

a cold roast of yeal from the dining-r while no one was around, and took is

ho told it.

variety.

birthday? Ridiculous." "It's true. You know she was born on the 29th of February, "-- Harper's Bazar. Ted-Why are you so sure Miss Lonely

hasn't a beau? Ned-I, called on her the other evening, and there wasn't an armchair in the parlor .- Spo Very Much So .- "I never could under-

LITTLE PLEASANTRIES.

Some poor, foolish men, who have no use for such a burden, seem to want the earth, All the earth axis something to turn on. - New Orleans

A Sad Situation .- "He owes everything

he has to me." "That's bad. He owes a great deal more than

"Miss Passee only just had her eighteenth

he has to me. "-- Harper's Ba

A FRANKLIN man, whose cup of happine A FRANKLIN man, whose cup of happiness seemed to be filled to the brim and whose de-meanor was one of great joy, was observed at the depot this afternoon. He had a rattlesnake in a glass-covered box and was drunk.—Oil City stand Smith. There is something far away about "So I hear. He's in Egypt, isn't he?"--.Har-

Bodkins-I am convinced that my groeryman would make a first class highwaynan. a Bisby--What pat such an idea into your head? t Bodkins-He knows how to lie in weight, any-low, --Kearney Enterprise. PERRY PETHTEL, of Green county, Pennsy vania, a few days since killed a very large snake. It was surrounded with 114 other snake

It is seriously stated that it takes a fly a of the same species, each about nine inches in length. Mr. Pethtel succeeded in killing the whole batch. They were of the garter-head two billionth part of a second to wink. If a man's wink was as sudden as a fly's he would never get anything but plain soda at the fountain in a drug store.-Norristows Heraid. MISS THERLA STEUBER, of Philadelphia.

"I'm feeling miserable," replied Jimpkins, in response to an inquiry after his health. "No wonder, after playing poker all night." "Yes; I lost my white and red chips, and all that remains is a stack of blues."-- Washington Capi-

> THE ANNUAL RISK. The lover is lucky Who gets through the summ Without having his ducky Elope with a drummer.

-N. Y. Evening Sur A Terrible Burden .-- Clara-- What a ter-

the noise that wagon makes. George--Yes: it's dreadful. isn't it? "What makes it groan so, Georger" "Why, it is filled with green apples, "-- Fonker

the Beaver family. LIFTING the sick is a knack. After a bag Intering the sick is a knack. After a bag-gage smasher, employed at the Broad street station, had vainly tried to lift his invalid father, a petite girl, a graduate of the Nurses' Training School of, Philadelphia Hospital, came silently floating into the room, like a bit of gephyr, and gave the burly sick man just the turn he needed. His Pedigree .- Englishman (to straner)--Excuse mo, sir, but aren't you a foreigner? Stranger--Foreigner? No, sir, I'm an Ameri-can pure and simple.

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Englishman-Ahl and what tribe do you belong to, please?-Harper's Basar. Nearly a Stranger .- Mr. Clubman-My

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A WELLSBURG, (W. Va.,) dog jumped into the water and rescued a half-drowned chickes. private socretary, young Nizefellow, says he is an acquaintance of youns.¹ Miss Citybello-What impudence! I never meet him except at the seaside, and last summer I even returned to become engaged to him again,...New York Weekly.

Aw Obio girl, Byears of ago, has become