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THE FRENCH ELECTIONS.

The first returns from the French election of yesterday look as if Boulanger might be restored to a leading position in French politics. The number of districts, however, in which the result is finally ascertained is so few that even more than in an election in our own country, it is necessary, for a correct conclusion, to await the final returns.

The election of Boulanger himself from the Montmartre district has much the same significance as the election of a leading Democratic Congressman from Kentucky, or of Hon. W. D. Kelley from Philadelphia, It was Boulanger's stronghold; and in the other Parisian districts a considerable strength for the Boulangist candidates was to be expected. The vote shown for him in Paris is not surprising, nor does it give him any decisive victory. It will depend on the other parts of France to show whether the fugitive hero will be restored to his pedestal.

The indications, from the large number of districts in which second ballots are nec essary, is that while Boulanger is not by any means sweeping everything before him, he is not so entirely squeiched as was expected by his opponents. If neither party sins a decisive victory, the possibility that the contest may be indefinitely extended, affords the rest of the world a promise of prolonged amusement in studying the accentricities of French politics.

One point deserves to be set down to the credit of the French people. The elections passed off quietly and with good order. That would be nothing unusual for this country; but it shows decided progress by the French in the art of self-government.

NEW YORK SYLLOGISMS.

The wrestle into which New York has been pluunged by the report of its Committee on Site, that a portion of Central Park will be needed for the World's Fair, is unique. The residents along the park are horrified that their darling pleasure ground should be desecrated by an Exposition, and anneal earnestly to the State law forbidding the use of that ground for such purposes The dispute reduces the World's Fair business in New York to very nearly the followng syllogism: The fair cannot be held in New York without using Central Park; Central Park cannot be used for the World's Fair; therefore, the World's Fair cannot be held in New York. The conclusion agrees exnetly with that drawn from a similar syllogism touching the impossibility of holding a World's Fair without money and also the inability to raise money for it in New York.

BOURBONISM IN GEORGIA.

A rather unique feature of the Southern race question is presented by the attitude recently taken by State Senator Gibbs of Georgia, to the effect that, on behalf of the South, he wishes to drive the negro out This Southern statesman is evidently of the most Bourbon type. Emancipation has raised the negroes, according to his view, and "there is not room enough in the South for the negro and the Yankee."

Yet it is a singular feature of Southern legislation that the first step which Senator Gibbs would take to carry out his darling idea of removing from his sight the hateful spectacle of free negroes, is the repeal of the remarkable law which forbids emigration agents from operating in the State. The legislation of Georgia has been so decidedly in favor of keeping the negroes there to supply labor that the remarkable step of forbidding any man to come there and offer them inducements to settle in the West or North has been enacted into law.

This is exactly the same in effect as if Pennsylvania legislation should forbid any attempts in this State to interest either Pennsylvania capital or labor in the iron industries of the South. Such legislation is illiberal and sectional, wherever it appears; but it is a singular feature that the proposition to repeal it is inspired by an even more illiberal and reactionary hatred of the labor which under freedom has doubled the productive capacity of the South.

When one element of Southern opinion declares that the negroes must not leave the South if they wish to, and the other declares that they have got to go whether they wish or not, the practical result is likely to be that they are free to go or stay as they please. But the justice of that conclusion is not to be credited to either element of the dominant race, as far as can be perceived at

present. DECENT TREATMENT WILL PAY US.

The recent remark of a missionary returned from China upon the possibility that the Chinese, after organizing a navy, will develop such power as to attack the United States, calls forth an argument from the New York Tribune to show the utter hopelessness of any attempts to make China a great military power. The argument is hardly needed. The unwieldy nature of the great Empire, its conflicting elements of population, and above all the utter incapacity of her people for developing the military spirit, make it as unlikely that China will seek to conquer this country, as that Egypt in its decadence should have at-

tempted to subjugate the military Persians. But that does not at all diminish the silliness of unnecessarily and wantonly deranging our relations with China. The reasons for cultivating friendly feeling with that empire are not military but commercial. There is an immense and almost inexhaustible field for American enterprise there, if our national policy can ever be made to look beyond the object of carrying the next election. The opening of China by railroads and telegraphs, the markets that could be obtained there for our manu-

factures, and the products that could be brought back in return, are prizes well worth a decently courteous treatment of the Chinese Government. Other nations can see the importance of conciliating China; while our nation, which is most advantageously situated for that trade and once held a great share of it, is now throwing away her chances.

It is not necessary for us to throw open our gates to Chinese immigration. That matter can be properly regulated by the treaties which China is willing to make. But it will be worth our while to use a decent decorum toward the Chinese Government in securing such treaties. It is necessary to remark that such decorum was entirely lacking in the proceedings of last year.

IT IS THE UMPIRE'S TURN.

The baseball umpire is aroused. Even the worm will turn some day if trodden upon with persistency and a heavy shoe and the umpire has this disposition also. He has been trodden under foot long enough this season-under shoes with spikes in them. The playful Anson has sworn at him; the cultured Kelly has put out his jaw and his jeers upon him, and every player DAILY DISPATCH, including Sunday, 3m'ths, 250 in the diamond has upon occasion thrown a kick or a curse at him. The home plate has received gentler usage than the umpire.

So long as the end of the season was afar off the umpire swallowed the insults, curbed his anger and hoarded his resentment. Now it is in sight he has grown several inches, his chest bulges out and he stands in awe of no man. He calls balls and strikes without calculating the cost. To this pitcher he says 'play ball!" and the pitcher plays ball; and to that catcher he says "go to !" and he goes to without a murmur, for they both know that the umnire has his fighting clothes on and will fine their salaries into nothingness at the smallest show of insubordination. Managers are no longer autocrats, captains are of no more account than the small boy hanging to the crossarm of a telegraph pole outside the fence. Captain Hanion, of the Pittsburg Beauties,

knows this now. Other captains will know it. The umpire has many scores to settle, but from the way he has begun it looks as if the game would be several hundreds to nothing in his favor before the season closes. We are with the umpire every time.

GAMBLING FOR REVENUE ONLY.

The report that General Mahone's plan for the settlement of the Virginia State debt. which is an issue in the State canvass, is the establishment of a lottery, out of the profits of which the bankrupt State will be restored to solvency, should be interesting to the administration. If a frank and open policy were adopted, we should think a fare bank run by the State or a detail of Virginia experts to play poker with the bondholders would be prompter and on the whole preferable. Perhaps, however, the necessity of giving the outside players a square deal in those games would detract from the large sum which is required for the payments of coupons and matured bonds. Still, whatever the most available form of gambling for steady revenue, it might be expected that the President and Mr. Wanamaker would feel that they ought to be consulted in its selection before they furnish the office holders, whose patronage is to be used in its behalf.

THE LEAST DESIRABLE PLAN.

The conclusion which the administration has reached of building in the navy yards the 3,000-ton cruisers on which Congress put a limit of cost so low that the contractors will not take the job, is not likely to prove an improvement on the previous state of affairs. Building vessels in the navy yards has generally proved a good thing for political workers; but in the way of turning out first-class vessels such work has always been nore expensive, less prompt and generally inferior to that done by private firms. The Secretary of the Navy had the very obvious course open to him when he found he could not let the contracts at the limit fixed by Congress of letting Congress decide whether it would increase the amount or not. The plan, which is said to have been chosen will probably make the cost exceed the legal limit, give inferior work and result in more than the usual jobbery.

FINDING the assertion that "the conduct of the Agricultural Department has been for years a national scandal," in the esteemed Louisville Courier-Journal, the public wonder is aroused first as to the nature of the scandal, and second, as to the genius in that line which created a scandal for years, in a department which was brought into ex-

istence about seven months ago. THE mighty issues of metropolitan journalism are disclosed by the vigorous paragraphs which the New York Sun and World are hurling at each other concerning the vital point whether the name of the noted field in Paris is "Champ de Mars" or "Champs de Mars."

THE information that "the Window Glass Trust seems in danger of breaking" is regarded by the Buffalo Express as warranting the comment "Fragile stuff that." But the information being wrong, owing to the fact that the Window Glass Trust has never been organized, and therefore cannot break, its fragility is as purely a matter of the imagination as its existence.

THE Rev. Joel Hicks having committed himself boldly to the prediction of violent autumnal storms and atmospheric changes for the 23d to the 26th, the weather is doing the usual rule full justice by settling down to a period of bright, calm fall weather.

MR SULLIVAN'S canvass for Congress has started out with his usual vigorous success in drinking the greater share of the potables in his prospective district and cleaning out the crowd wherever he may be. Mr. Sullivan's campaign methods are vigorous, but they are nothing to the way in which he will get his little bill through

Congress. Paris can rejoice in her superiority over the United States in one respect. Her national canvass only lasted a few weeks. But the rival parties fought for position before it came off, even longer than our statesmen wrestled with the tariff question.

THE discovery that Sunset Cox lived at No. 13 East Twelfth street; that he was a member of the Thirteen Club: that he was buried on September 13, and was five times 13 years of age, is published as "a morsel for the superstitious." The last fact should convey the instructing conclusion that it took a good deal of the thirteen nonsense to kill him.

THE reported discoveries of lead ore in Iowa may be an addition to our mineral wealth, and they may represent eligible real estate for sale to the Lead Trust.

BOULANGER recognized that there was a time for disappearing, some months ago. He bobbed up once more at the elections

yesterday, but before determining whether he has a new lease of political life, it is necessary, in France as in this Republic, to wait for the returns from the rural districts.

NOTWITHSTANDING the abundance Republican harmony on Saturday, the report crops out that the late leader of the Home Rulers is going to cut the ticket. Whether this is an invention of Mr. Malme we get into the twentieth century we will have learned the lesson which the trusts teach; we will discover that the combined industries of the nation can be as successfully managed as the combined ovens of the coke trade. And gee's enemies or not, it indicates that the harmony is not universally harmonious.

THE report that a combination of baseball then we will take the business of the country into our own hands, as we took its Government players, instead of a combination of managers, is going to run the business next year, is calculated to make the professional umpire seek some light and safe business, like throwing tornedoes into oil wells.

IT is insisted by the Cleveland Plain Dealer that Judge Thurman's heart "still eats strong for the Democracy." Most probably; but that does not demonstrate that Democracy's heart in Ohio beats as strongly for Judge Thurman as for the barrels of the Standard Oil and Beer Trusts.

THE equinox has come and gone; the summer has ended and the baseball season is drawing to a close, with the Allegheny team clinging desperately to its position of second place-from the bottom.

PEOPLE OF PROMINENCE.

THE German Emperor has given his portral o Lorg Salisbury. THE equestrian statue of General Robert E

Lee will be unveiled at Richmond, Va., on De cember 5. MILAN OBRENOVITCH says that he left Se

via in order to teach his beloved people how a MINISTER REID has met with great social cess in Paris. He has so many invitations that he is able to accept but few of them. He and Cousul General Rathbone have become great chums, and Mr. Reid will greatly regret the Californian's departure from France.

"WHEN Frank Hiscock was at school," says a veteran story-teller at Syracuse, "he trusted everybody, and the boys were always playing practical jokes on him. But he is changed since then, rather! He used to be considered homely, oo, but he outgrew that before it got a good MISS WANAWAKER who is now visiting th

Harrisons at Deer Park, is a tall, lithe young woman, who looks as though she could fence row or wield a racquet. She is rather handsome, and her face indicates perfect health. She is clever and witty and is a great reader. Mrs. Harrison has taken a great fancy to her and is anxious to have her with her as much as possible. Miss Wanamaker is not fond of general society, but likes to meet people of intellect, and can hold her own in conversation with the cleverest men and women in Washington

Gascogue, brought to New York yesterday 1,354 cabin passengers, mostly American tour-ists. Ada Rehan, the actress, arrived on the Umbria. Also J. Macdonald Cameron, member of Parliament; ex-Secretary of War W. C. Endicott, who has been visiting his son-in-law, Joseph Chamberiain, and F. W. Rine-lander. On the Alaska were Cyrus W. Field and Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Van Renssaeler; William Ludwig, formerly of the American Opera Company; Mme. Adelaide Mueller, Miss Annie Layton, and Mr. Henry Beaumont Singer.

ENGLISH noblemen are beginning to invest largely in real estate in Australia. The Duke of Manchester, who has paid many visits to the antipodes, first set the example, which has been promptly followed by Lord Rosebery and Lord Brassey. Lord Carnarvon, too, owns city property in Melbourne and has an estate in Western Australia. But long ago Lord Sherbrooke, then Mr. Robert Lowe, barrister-at law at Sydney, bad purchased landed property in New South Wales, some of which he stil When the gold fever broke out, however, his agent, thinking it presaged the ruin of the colony, put the larger portion on the market, when it was sold at a sacrifice. Had Lord Sherbrooke retained it, he would now be numbered among the Australian millionaries.

AS COLLEGE GIRL AGAIN.

Mrs. Grover Cleveland's Pleasant Reminders of School Days

BUFFALO, September 22.-Mrs. Grover Cleveland's friends have done all they could to make her stay in her girlhood's home a pleasant one. Every day has been marked by a dinner, a lunch, or an entertainment of some sort since her arrival. Prominent among these was a re-union of Wells College women given by Grace Carew Sheldon in honor of Mrs. Cleveland on Wednesday.

The occasion was first cousin to the frolic held in the now burned precincts in and near "Goose Alley." The same old pasteboard placard, marked "Positively Engaged," hung on the door, the crackers went round in paper bags, the pickles were present in large numbers as of yore, and the same shoal of sardines floated in the cans and waited to be eaten with floated in the cans and waited to be eaten with

floated in the cans and waited to be eaten with
the fingers. The women, or "girls," as they invariably called themselves, were in harmony
with the occasion, and although, as one remarked, they were "better fed in these days
than in those gone by," the lunch disappeared
with the old-time rapidity.

As a sauce reminiscences were served, one
guest telling of the night when she fried oysters
with a fork over the gas jet in her room, and
another bringing to mind the clives which
would always roll on the floor, but which were
invariably picked up and devoured. Mrs.
Cleveland was disposed to discuss the serious
side of school matters, and the question of
raising money for the new building was presented. She said:

"I am told that if the present plans for the
building are carried out we shall have the
handsomest college building in America. Isn't

handsomest college building in America. Isn't that something worth working for? I think you ladies in Buffalo ought to raise \$1,000 of the \$6,000 we are trying to make up in the

Eastern association."

On Monday night Mrs. Cleveland will return to New York, where she will immediately go about the settling of her new house at 816 Madison avenue. While in this city she has done a good deal of shopping, and old chairs, draperies, china and the like have been sent by her from here for the New York home.

A MIGHTY METROPOLIS.

New York Given a Population of 30,000. 000 for the Year 1990.

From the Engineering-Building Record.] General M. C. Meigs has published in a recent number of Science a paper entitled: "The United States, their Growth in Population in Two Hundred Years," in which he estimates the progress of our population for the next century on the basis of an increase of 33.3 per cent every ten years, which is a little less than the mean rate of increase for the last hundred years, and thus computes the following table of population in future consuses:

67, 240, 000 1989 381, 763, 827 89, 633, 333 1980 569, 918, 449 119, 747, 777 1970 678, 691, 203 149, 650, 377 1980 904, 921, 681 242, 807, 177 1980 1, 206, 562, 246 288, 872, 877

In a private note to us, referring to the above, he says: "The child is now born who in his old age will be one of 1,000,000,000 of people in the United States, of which 80,000,000 will be blacks or of African descard." blacks, or of African descent."

After pointing out that the cities will increase the population at least as fast as the rural districts, and that, therefore, New York City will contain over 30,000,000, he alludes to the work of architects, engineers and me-chanics that will be required to provide for the ncrease of 65,000,000 people.
The present population of the whole earth is setween 1,500,000,000 and 1,600,000,000.

As Viewed From Afar.

The Ohio campaign is hot enough to cook ap ples on the trees. Foraker is fighting like a wild cat, and the situation is so torrid that the cooling presence of Senator Sherman is prayed for by the whole people.

Unsuccessful as an Incubator. From the Chicago News. 1

New York has been brooding over the World's Fair idea for two months and hasn't hatched anything yet. It looks as if that city were bestowing its attentions on a nestful of

Mathew J. Forse. Mathew J. Forse, of 105 Jackson street, Allegheny, died yesterday morning at his home. He was a young man of great natural talents and a well-known and popular member of Allegheny THE CRITIC.

Wanted-Crawford and Italy.

some hundred years or so ago, and set up the

nonopoly of monopolies.

Mr. Bellamy has not much to say in "Looking

Backward" about war. I suppose that when the twentieth century is fully here, war will be as obsolete as cannibalism. There may, how-

Mr. Stockton, in the "Great War Syndicate,"

that in the event of the least harm coming to any American town, even the invasion by land

and several crabs and attack England. In

single battle they will disable and defeat the united British Navy. Finally, as an unques-

tionable proof of the power of their new ex-plosive, they will fire a bomb or two into a sea-

There is nothing so very improbable in that.

War, for now these many years, has been approaching the condition of impossibility.

saw the other day the photograph of a great fort, whose huge walls, 18 feet in thickness,

look grimly out from the coast of California toward Japan. That fort is good for nothing.

It is as strong and solid to-day as it was when

the last stone was set, but they have taken the

cannon out and turned the fortress into a

some quiet, peaceable, bespectacled German

discovered a new explosive, and they make guns to-day which would have to fire only once

at that fort to make it into a dust heap. By

and by all the forts will have to come down

and all the soldiers, armed with swords and guns, will become as useless as the iron-shirted

warriors of the middle ages, when powder was

invented. War will mean annihilation. Mr.

Stockton tells his story charmingly, as he

always does. It makes one think of that bright

little sketch which somebody wrote not long ago in one of the magazines, "The End of New

Mr. Stockton tells us what may be expected

Might Have Been Expected" is not quite what most readers who hail Mr. Stockton's books

nowadays will be likely to expect. It is not in

the line of "The Lady or the Tiger" at all; nor

ton's larger stories. Mr. Stockton has said

that a good many of his stories were written

for children, but that the children's fathers

and mothers got hold of them and somehow

liked them better than the children did. But

this is a boys and girls' book all the way

through. It is a good, stirring, and inspiring book, a good story with an unobtrusive good

moral, and the small readers will enjoy it.

Here and there are bright places which re-mind one of Stockton, but for the most part

there is little to mark the book as being the

"How old are you, Aunt Matilda?" said Harry. (Aunt Matilda was an old colored

"Oh, Aunt Matilda!" cried Harry, "you're

"Well, then, I 'spects I'se about 90," said

"But you can't be 90," said Kate; "the Bible

says that 70 years is the common length of a person's life "

didn't mean no cull'd people. Cull'd people live longer than that. But p'raps a cull'd Jew

"What Might Have Been Expected" and "The Wrong Box," except that as it is hard to find Mr. Stockton's style in the one, it is almost equally diffi-

cult to find the peculiar marks of Mr. Robert

page or two can I detect the author of "Dr.

lekyll" and "Thrown Janet" and "The New

Arabian Nights," The plot, however, is

Stevensonesque enough. It is a continuation of that complicated fantasy which begins with

the "story of the young man with the cream tarts" and winds in and out till the reader gets

fairly dizzy. Mr. Stevenson constructed the plot; but Mr. Lioyd Osbourne wrote the story.

We have just had a revelation of the method of work of one celebrated pair of co-workers,

Erekmann and Chatrian have dissolved part

Chatrian made the plot: Erckmann filled in th

details and did the writing. Every morning at 9 Chatrian went into Paris, getting back at 6,

Erckmann stayed at home with pens and paper. After supper Erckmann read over to

who is no writer, but a capital critic, criticized

Then they discussed the next day's work. And great interest they took in it. "So we often sit

together till midnight and after, pencil in one

our thoughts half audibly. At 12 o'clock the

housekeeper has orders to come in and tell us

it is bedtime. If we do not stir, she puts the

subject that we cannot go to bed, and we sit on

rders to make a racket in the room, to bang

finds we are not in bed at 1 o'clock, she h

the door, knock over the chairs, rattle the fire irons to drown our conversation and drive ideas out of our heads." That was how they

Mr. Stevenson must have been the Chatrian

of this partnership. Nobody but the author of the "New Arabian Nights" could have con-

Another book with two names on its title

uplicated as Gaboreau's classics, but then it

oes not stop in the middle, as Gaborian is fond

of doing, and go back on another switch to the start. Gaboriau gets the story into such a snari that it seems as if there could be no pos-

sible unwinding; then he takes one thread and beginning back, follows it out all the way

through. There is no snari about "A Danger ous Catspaw." It differs here from most de-

ective stories. You know who the criminal is

from the beginning. Thus the books lacks the peculiar fascination of "The Leavenworth Case" and Miss Green's other stories. Never-

theless, it is quite interesting enough. The

story is well told, and as nothing else is at-tempted in the book, if you want a good story

The popularity of the detective stories is sig-nificant. Mr. Prickett, Mr. Gryce and Mr.

Byrnes are very interesting characters just now. The true stories, as Mr. Julian Haw-

thorne's, are not quite so interesting as the others which are only ideally true. Because

officers which the balance, proportion and gradual growth toward a climax which life has when it is idealized. Still, Mr. Hawthorne's

pooks have a wide reading.

The truth is, we all like stories. We are able,

I hope, to appreciate and enjoy the books which, along with the story, give us a good deal to think about, and even those in which the

page is "A Dangerous Catspaw," by D. Christie Murray and Henry Murray. This is a good, straightfoward detective story. It is not so

structed such a mad plot.

hand, note book in the other, and exchange

nership, and Erckmann has told the secret

"Them was Jews," said Aunt Matilda. "It

certainly more than 50. When I was a very little fellow, I remember that you were very

"I 'spect about 50," said the old woman.

child of the author.

This is pretty good.

old-at least 60 or 70 "

wouldn't live very long."

Aunt Matilda.

is it like "The Late Mrs. Neill," or Mr. Stoo

the end of the war.

ops from Canada of the obscurest frontier vil

studying of the people of the story; still, the plain story, told for the story's sake, is very ac-ceptable indeed.

Next Century's Pence-Trusts Might Maunge American literature began with the telling of an interesting story. James Fenimore Cooper, if he had lived as long as a few men live, would Intervening Conflicts - Stockton and Stevenson Lost in Recent Works -Detective Stories' Popularity-A Cooper have been 100 years old a week ago. In 1820 Cooper wrote "Precaution," and followed it with "The Deerslayer," "The Pathfinder," "The According to Mr. Bellamy's "Looking Back ward," it is the great corporations which are going to make the millenium possible. By the Last of the Mobicans," and the other delightful adventures of Leatherstocking. Cooper

> book, even yet.
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> It ought to be noted in these days, when Cooper's centennial brings him especially to mind, that he began a kind of writing in this country which has only of late found worthy followers, and which we ought to have a good deal more of. Cooper took a condition of life which was quite peculiar to the land in which he was born, and having made a study of it, put it into his books. It was the kind of work which Mr. Cable has been doing for Louisians and Miss Murfree for Tennessee, and Mr. Har

side. And we haven't outgrown that kind of

ever, be the possibility of a war or two between now and the millenium. It may chance some day that the fish of the Atlantic or the seals of ris for the plantation negro. This is a kind of realism which is worth while, We get a long way off from Cooper's Indian has predicted the way out in such a case.

Our side of the war will be conducted by the and from the life which Cooper's heroes lived, when we open "Sant' Hario." Between a Mohi-can wigwam and a Roman palace, between Great War Syndicate, a company of alert capitalists. They will make a contract with the erstocking and Saracinesea Government to put the war down in so many months for so much money. They will agree

much in common.

There are not many of us who know much about either Indian chiefs or Italian princes, but we can all see that Coopea knew a good deal about Indians, and that Mr. Crawford lage, they will forfeit \$1,000,000. Then they knows a good deal about Italians. Mr. Crawford, indeed, seems to be at home, and to have will take two small boats, a "repeller" and a "crab," and getting out in front of some large the faculty of making his readers at home, in several quite different countries. Take "Mr Canadian scaport, they will proceed to exhibit the energies of the "instantaneous motor bomb." They won't kill anybody, but will quietly content themselves with showing how easily they could blow the whole town with all Isaacs," and "Zoroaster," and "The Tale of a Country Parish," and "Greifenstein," and "Marzio's Crucifix," and you will see that India, and Persia, and England, and Germany its suburbs into the planet Jupiter. At the first aggressive movement" they will say, "we will do that," then they will take a repeller and Italy become in turn the background of the scene. Some people, mostly critics and "amateur authors," seem to think that writing novels must be pretty easy work. And so per hans it is with novels of a certain sort-which are often pretty hard reading. But when one comes to consider what is involved in locating a story in a distant country, or in another century, how much knowledge of history, and side mountain and leave a hole there where the hill stood, big enough to made a harbor for all the ships in the English Channel. That will be geography, and scenery, and customs, and cress, and ways of talking and of thinking novel writing gets to be a rather serious matter.

Mr. Stevenson begins "The Wrong Box" by remarking upon "the hours of toil, consultation of authorities, researches in the Bodleian, correspondence with learned and illegible Ger-

> before he can even begin his novel. This is a bit of fun on Mr. Stevenson's part and will do very well for him who gets most of his material out of his inner consciousness, but you may be sure that Mr. Crawford did not get his intimate without some work.
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> Edna Lyali is another cosmopolitan novelist 'Donovan' is an Englishman, the "Knight Errant" is an Italian, while her last hero-the book is in press—is "A Hardy Norseman."
> "Derrick Vaughn, Novelist," however, needed
> no special knowledge, and, in fact, is a slight story, not amounting to much. It is a kind of diluted "Donovan." After the fine banquet of "Donovan" and "We Two," here is a cold

has never written anything yet which is not helpful and healthful reading. Mr. Crawford, to come back to Sant' Hario'' seems to prefer Italy. "Marzio's Crucifix," "A Roman Singer," "Saracinesea," and now this latest, have Italian backgrounds. The sentence That is pretty near the title of a story of his which Dodd. Mead & Co., have just put into new covers, and which is dated 1874. "What has been widely commented on in which M Crawford affirms that all foreigners who have written on Italy have misunderstood Italians. They have written up Italians after the fashion of a contributor to this month's Fortnightly Review, who begins a series of papers on "Rus sian Characteristics," with "Part One—Lying!" Mr. Crawford thinks that he understands

Italians; and who will gainsay him? At any rate, Mr. Crawford has done in "San Ilario" some of the best work of his life. The story is strong, full of spirit and interest, dramatic, and holds one's attention from start to climax. The characters are, without exception, people worth knowing. The reader lives for the time being in the Rome of the days of Garibaldi. One is given enough to see, and enough to think about. To get inside one of these Roman palaces and see how family life coes on there, after a fashion quite fts own, is worth while. As for the deeper side of the book, Mr. Crawford has never written anything better than his study of Sant' liario and Cor during that critical time of their misunderstanding, and of the old librarian during the

common kind.

And then, too, the story ends well; and these days, when it seems to be a popular fashion in fiction to write the last page so that the reader, when he comes to it, will throw the book across the room, that is something to be

A PRETTY WOMAN IN A RAGE. Highly Indignant at a Question Concerning

the Cost of Her Teeth. From the Cincinnati Times-Star.] In a Vine street cable car, the other day, were an old gentleman with an ear-trumpet and a very pretty young woman, accompanied by a little boy. She smiled at intervals on the boy, and showed her pretty teeth in a bewitching way. All at once the old man, in the way pe culiar to so many deaf people who do not k how to modulate their voices, said in tones so loud as to be audible all over the car;

"I only paid \$5 for my upper teeth. What To say that the pretty woman was mad is putting it mildly. She flounced around with a flush of anger blazing in her cheeks, and signaled the conductor to let her out at the nex crossing.

No Match for Chinese Cunning. rom the Baltimore American.

It seem rather odd that the Govern officials in San Francisco cannot keep out the forbidden Chinamen. The Yankee loves to think himself the shrewdest fellow in the world, but he seems forced to admit his inabil ity to cope with the despised Celestial.

Well Worth Picking Up. From the Baltimore American. t Mr. Joseph Chamberlain intimates that Glad lost his head. It would be the

luckiest thing that ever happened to Joseph ODD ITEMS FROM ABROAD.

An English plasterer has been staggered with a fortune of £1,400,000, left to him by dergyman who emigrated and prospered in

pioneer in a reform of portentous difficulty. He wants to abolish the chimney pot hat for se in London. THE smokeless powder that Austria is using akes such a fearful smell that it will have to be abandoned. At a recent practice shoot sev-

eral men fainted from it. A Young woman of Southport puts the most deliberate method of suicide on record. She walked into the water and sat down. After a while she lay down, and the tide rose and carried her off.

THE Bishop of Worcester lately attempted to prevent a clergyman of his parish from speak-ing at a Baptist chapel, but the clergyman spoke for all that, and the situation excites considerable interest. THE Afghan Ameer's method of vengeand

on his rebel prisoners is pretty highly developed. One batch, numbering 300, were put to death three a day. One of the trio was always hanged dressed in yellow and green, another was dressed in black and blown from a gun, and the third was dressed in red and cut up with a sword. A PAMPHLET, thought to be from high sources, has just been published in Berlin, say-

ing that the reasons which prevented Germany during the days of Emperor William from bringing matters to a crisis between Russia and France on one side and the Triple Alliance on the other have now disappeared, and a precipitation of the contest may be looked for at any moment. A FRENCH woman invented one of the most

original methods of dealing with a refractory on the bat of her 8-year-old daughter, who bad been naughty, a placard inscribed with the words, "Mademoiselie is a thief and a list," and walked her through the streets. It took a policeman to rescue the lady from the mobbing telling of the story is quite subordinate to the of an indignant crowd,

OUR MAIL POUCH.

The Cause of Baldness.

To the Editor of The Dispatch: Is there any remedy for premature greyn Any's 20-Page Dispatch.

THE DISPATOR of yesterday was a great newspaper in every sense of the word. It consisted of 20 pages, 160 columns, filled with fresh news from all parts of the globe and special articles, by prominent writers, on topics of general interest. There was not a dull page, or a dull paragraph, in the whole mammeth edition. A library of useful information for half a dime—that is what The DISPATOR is giving and will continue to give to its readers every Sunday. of good birth, sound constitutions, corre-habits. Myself and many of my friends a fast becoming grey haired and gaining high foreheads. What is the probable cause, heredity, tight hats or brain work? For myself I have lived out of doors, never was sick, seldom wear a tight hat and live plannly and correctly, and finally greyness is not heredi-tary. PITTSBURG, September 21.

[One of the last opinions on baldness is that it is sympathetic with dyspepsia or visceral inflammation, added to the intense meutal strain of business. The loss of phosphates from bolted flour also robs the brain of the supply needed for its constant labor and the physical defor its constant labor, and the physical demands of the system. Close sleeping rooms in-jure the hair, as well as the brain it covers. Very few young men have really correct habits of eating, or sleep enough to recruit the nervous forces. They eat and sleep just enough to prevent them from feeling any failure of force, but an unconscious drain limits and lessens it. It would be interesting to know just how many hours by the clock that young man sleeps in a fortnight, and just what is his bill of fare for that time? A strict account might throw light on the matter of coris his bill of fare for that time? A strict account might throw light on the matter of correct habits without further advice. If young men will demand the strong bread and cereals which keep up nerve and muscle, will not grudge sleep, and wear hats only when indispensable, they will find hair staying on their heads. The habit of wearing hats in offices, in botel rotundas, whenever possible, injures the brain and hair more than anyone is aware of. If men should return to antique usage, and lift the hat more frequently to ventilate the head, it would benefit more than their manners.]

Another Word About Manufactured Honey.

To the Editor of the Dispatch: A letter appeared in a recent issue of THE DISPATCH in reference to some statements made in the article by the writer on the subject of sugar and honey. It had been my intention not to answer this letter, but at the request of many friends the writer wishes to make the following affirmations:

First, that he has found a comb honey (7) on

the market which contains no evidences of the presence of any bee product whatever. There is no hearsay evidence about it—the specimen was handled and microscopically examined by the writer. Second, that each and every one of the adulterations stated in these articles to have been found, were detected by the writer himself in samples obtained as stated. In all cases where possible, samples of the adulterated foods have been retained, with proof of the adulteration found. the market which contains no evidences of the

foods have been retained, with proof of the adulteration found.

The one thing above all others that is claimed for these articles is accuracy; and when anything has been asserted on hearsay evidence, it has been so stated. The writer does not care what the supplement of the encyclopedia mentioned said or did not say. He knows what he has seen, and he can prove it. But he declines to enter into a controversy, as he does not wish to go into the detective business or compete for prizes. However, if the doctor who wrote the letter referred to, or the gentleman who is offering prizes, or any one else will come to the writer's office, he may see a sample of adulterated comb honey with irresistable proof that it is such.

CHEVALIEE Q. JACKSON, M. D.

PITTSBUBG, September 21.

The Name Great Britain.

unch on what is left over. Still, Edna Lyall To the Editor of The Dispatch. 1 Why was England called Great Britain? MANSFIELD, September 21. FRED. [The term "Great Britain" was first applied The term "Great Britain" was first applied to England, Scotland and Wales at the union of two crowns, October 24, 1604, when James I. was proclaimed "King of Great Britain, France and Ireland." The legal application of the term commenced at the legislative union agreed upon by the commissioners, July 22, 1706, when it was provided that the two States should form one "United Kingdom of Great Britain." Of course, Great Britain is only an enlargement of the term Britain. The origin enlargement of the term Britain. The origin of the word Britain has excited much conroversy. Aristotle-B. C. 384-322-is the first writer who makes direct mention of the word Britain. Herodotus uses the term, though he declares that he can give no information on the subject of its origin. In early native poems it is called the Isle of Prydhain, of which Carte copjectures Britannia to be the Latinized form. Aristotle mentions two large islands, Albion (England) and Ierne (Ireland) called Britannic, in the ocean beyond the Pillars of Hercules.

Origin of West Virginia. To the Editor of The Dispatch: What were the causes that led to the orga

zation of the State of West Virginia. [The people of West Virginia had from the place themselves under the rule of the Confed erate Government and the State Government of Virginia, which had seceded. On June 11, 1861, representatives from about 40 of the west Virginia indepenpent of the rest of the State and elected Frank Pierpont to be Governor, On December 31, 1862, Congress passed an act admitting West Virginia into the Union as a separate State, and it took its place among the States on June 20, 1863.]

London's Population.

To the Editor of The Dispatch: Please answer through the columns of your aper, which has the greater population, city of London or the five largest cities of the test obtainable reports?

PITTSBURG, September 21.
[The latest official census returns are those of 1880 in this country and those of 1881 in England. The figures are: New York, 1,206,299; Philadelphia, 847,170; Brooklyn, 566,663; Chi cago, 568,185; Boston, 369,832; total for five American cities, 3,493,149. Population of London, 3,832,441].

ON OBJECTION WAS MADE.

A Report as to the First Marriage of Jeffer. son Davis Denied. ATLANTA, September 22.-The published letails of the first marriage of Jefferson Davis

are contradicted by Major John F. Edwards of this city, at the home of whose grandmother the wedding took place. Mrs. Allison the wedding took place. Mrs. Allison was the sister of General Taylor, and at the General's request the marriage took place at her house. The license was procured by Mr. Allison. General Taylor's objection to the marriage of his daughter sprang from his reluctance to part with her company, and not from dislike to the man of her choice. Says Major Edwards:

"The wedding came off quietly at my grand-"The wedding came off quietly at my grand-mother's house, with the consent and good wishes of all the relatives of the young people. The witnesses were Colonel Hancock Taylor, General Taylor's brother; Captain Allison, his brother-in-law, and my brother and grand-mother."

Merely Geographical Information

rom the Washington Star.1 That was a smart girl in Alexandria who wrote to her young man, who was forbidden to loaf around the ranch, that her ma was going by boat to Washington, but that her pa would be hanging around home base, presumably at the corner grocery. The old man read the let-ter and delivered it himself, thinking it connined merely a little geographical information, t read: "Marseilles to Washington over 3,000 It read: "Marseilles to les, but Paris not so far "

Another Error Expleded.

From the Boston Herald.]

The Secretary of State will shortly return to Washington. The suspicion that he was lost, and gone forever from the administration, is thus hung up alongside the reports concer his falling health.

FOUR PHASES.

Golden ringlets, hazel eyes, Deep and dreaming, fixed afar; Thoughts that to the zenith rise, Life the sky and he a star; This the boyish poet's rapture Ere the hours his being capture Chestnut locks about the brow:

Love and beauty ripe and real Love, a faith the heart to bow, Beauty, a divine ideal; These the poet's manhood gladden Till the years his spirit sadden! Silvery gray the clustering curls; Darkling clouds in autumn's sky; Youthful gems but melting pearls; Beauty dead and love a lie; Healthy dead and after— This the poet's fatal after—

Moravians of Bethlehem, and which stood on the premises of the village blacksmith, was Snowe hate and frosty beard. Kindly glance and cheery saying; liscovered Friday by workmen. Fair the phant in once he fe While the soul was still a-Maying.
Poet, chant celestial measures;
Rapt the realm that holds thy treasured Graham Adee, in Washington Co A 2 MONTHS-OLD calf raised on the farm of Thomas King, of West Chester, weighed 250 pounds.

A MAMMOTH NUMBER.

anne. The eners of the casy men to cap-ture the Berks county convention resulted in a bolt. Two conventions were held and two sets of delegates stolen. It is now charged against General Mahone that he was a coward during

General Mahone that he was a coward during the war. Virginia Democrats propose a scheme to try him—for campaign effect. Senator Hiscock's candidates were defeated in a nominating convention at Syracuse, in his own county. Dissatisfaction with the distribution of local patronage was the cause. Thomas Jordan, of Braddock, died while under the influence of an anisation. The Coroner was called upon to investigate the cause. Hank robbers have

investigate the case. Hank robbers have stolen \$10,000 in Northern Wisconsin. There

Parts II. and III. (pages 9 to 20) were rich in

entertaining and attractive features. A very complete history of the old Wyandot mission

in Northwestern Ohio, finely illustrated, was furnished by a staff writer. Henry Haynie

furnished by a staff writer. Henry Haynle gave a series of graphic sketches of life in Baden-Baden. "The coin craze" was the subject of M. M.'s paper, which contained much information of interest to all collectors. A night ride on the locomotive of a limited express was described by X. W. X. The Eiffel tower and the impressions Mrs. Frank Lesile formed of it, were charmingly set forth. Charles O. Stickney told how sweet corn is put up for the market in the big factories of Maine. Shirley Dare furnished a common sense talk

PRESIDENT BARNARD'S WILL

Valuable Bequests to the College Over

(SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.)

NEW YORE, September 21.—Surrogate Ran-som has admitted to probate the will of Fred-erick A. P. Barnard, President of Columbia

llege, executed January 25, 1886. Dr. Barnard

gives his microscopical apparatus to his wife during her life, and at her death it goes to the

during her life, and at her death it goes to the trustees of Columbia College for use in the physical department. All of the books his wife does not care for are to be sent to the librarian of the college, He bequeaths his gold cosmic time watch to his friend, John K. Rees, for his work in meteorological reform. The residue of his estate will be held by the executors in trust for his wife, who is to receive the income during her life. At her death small bequests will be made to nephews and servants, and the remainder bequeathed to Columbia College. Of this fund left to the college \$10,000 is to be used for the foundation of the "Barnard Fellowship for Encouraging Scientific Research."

THE ROSARY DISCONTINUED.

Woodwork in St. Pani's Cathedral Makes

the Church Dangerous.

Just What is Wanted.

Scales so delicate that they register the

weight of an eyeiash or a man's signature have been perfected. This fills a long-felt want. Just such a pair of scales are needed to weigh

TRI-STATE TRIFLES.

A FISHERMAN at Doylestown saw a sunfish

swallow a bee, and a few minutes later saw the

fish on the water dead. He cut it open and the

DR. O. L. SAYLOR, of Bethlehem, owns

cocker spaniel that can pick President Harri-

A CLEVELAND woman climbed a tree in one

of the public parks just because a wild Texas steer chased her.

AT the Berks County Fair Common Council

After this he naturally lost all interest in the

THERE was fun at a Weston, W. Va., ball

the other day. Someone threw a pint of red pepper on the floor of the dancing hall, and while the dancers were holding on to each other and sneezing and weeping great scalding tears, the rascal further complicated matters by hiding all the hats, bonnets and wraps. Some of these articles were found up the chimneys,

A CISTERN built about 120 years ago by the

honey, but others cleaned out the tree, getting

at least 75 pounds of the sweet deposit,

and others were never found at all.

man John C. Hepler had 124 cases conta 34,000 buttons, no two of which are alike.

son's photograph from a group of pictures,

From the Washington Post.

CURIOUS CONDENSATIONS. Brief Review of the Contents of Yest day's 20-Page Dispatch.

-A rattlemake invaded the Dayton, ev. schoolhouse last Friday afternoon and -The new Freshman class at Princeton

is the largest that ever entered that college. It

-Lenawee county, Mish., is at present paying out something like \$12 a day in bountles on dead sparrows.

—A farmer in Franklin county, Vt., picked a second crop of field strawberries and raspberries the first of last week.

—There are 60 paper towns in Southern California, comprising 78,850 sown lots, and the whole 60 have only 255 inhabitants. The interesting question in European politics at present is, What will be the result of the French election? Boulanger claims he will get 30 seats. It is thought that other English laborers, encouraged by the success of the dock men, will soon strike for higher wages. Proparations for war are steadily going on, and it is thought that the risit of the Czar to Germany will have no effect on the relations of the two countries. Smokeless powder is declared to be a great military acquisition. Another and superior powder has been invented in Russia. A formal protest has been made against the American Consul at Berlin, but he is understood to be supported by Blaine.

Chalkley LeConey, of Merchantville, N. J., has been arrested for the murder of his niece Annie. The efforts of the Quay men to capture the Berks county convention resulted in a The Government dry dock, just opened at the navy yard in Norfolk, Va. is 500 feet over all, and will hold 5,000,000 gallons of water. It has cost over \$500,000. -The Mayor of Litchfield, Ill., was re-

-The Mayor of Litchfield, Ill., was relieved of his cash and valuables the other day
by a lone highwayman in the presence of six
policemen. The robber escaped.

-Charles Lambezeden, a Milwaukee laborer, kept his little fortune of \$1,000 in a
stocking. The other day when he went to look
for it both stocking and money were gone.

-Woodbridge Clifford, the postmaster at
North Edgacomb. Ma., was appointed under

North Edgecomb, Me., was appointed Postmaster General Amos Kendall Oct 1839, and has held the office ever sinc Bagdad, on the Arizons and Pacific road, is said to be the hottest station on the road. The thermometer has stood at 150° in the dining room and 125° at midnight on the coolest aide of the depot.

—Lieutenant Schwatka estimates the

—Lieutenant Schwatka estimates the number of living cliff-dwellers he has discovered in Southern Chibushus at from 8,000 to 12,000. They are wild and shy, and upon the approach of white people flee to their caves in alarm.

—The giant diamond lately discovered in Cape Colony, and now at the Paris Exposition, weighs 160 carata, and is valued at \$4,000,000. It is said to be of the first water and as pure as the famous Regent in the French crown diamonds.

-A hill making it illegal for anyone to let or sell houses unless a certificate furnishe by a Government Inspector is produced, sho ting that the premises are in a perfectly san tary condition, is to be introduced in the Bri ish House of Cor

-One of the most remarkable old ladies One of the most remarkable old ladies in Cobb county, Ga., is Mrs. Olive Hamby. She is now 75 years old, and the mother of nine children, six of whom are living. She has 66 graudchildren, and can reach all of them in two hours' ride, except two who reside in Arkansas. She can tell the age and name of every child and grandchild, giving dates with perfect clearness.

An interesting review of local politics was given on the second page. J. J. O'Rellly, the agent, says the English syndicate has paid \$60,000,000 for American breweries. The question of postal savings banks was discussed, pro and con, by Postmaster Larkin and others. A music hall is talked of by the Exposition managers. The appointments made by the African M. E. Conference were given. The Trades Council has asked Mr. Marvin to resign as President of the Exposition Society.

The Pittsburg club played the Indianapolis team and was defeated, \$ to 6. Other interesting baseball news and sporting gossip filled portions of the sixth and fourteenth pages. -While a French girl was playing with

-While a French girl was playing with a rope about her neck the other afternoon in a Lake Village (N. H.) tenoment house, the building was struck by lightning, and, as the story goes, the rope was destroyed by the elsetric current, but the child escaped uninjured. A month ago, it is added, the same girl was struck and thrown into a dirch by the locomotive of an express train, but was not hurt.

-A Buffalo carpenter committed suicide last week and left a letter alleging as his reason for the act that, having been engaged in the carpenter trade for many years, he had decided upon doing something higher and better. The Bible, he continued, says that "In my Father's house are many mansions," and some of them must need repairing. So having been a good carpenter on earth he guessed he could get along in heaven." He then shot himself.

-Disproportionableness, with 21 letters, -Disproportionableness, with 21 lette is said to be the longest English word. Or gyngilgogerpwilandypilwgogo. On the Is Mull, in Argylishtre, there is a place of Drymtaidhorickhillichattan, The two lot words in the German language are: Ges he it twiederherstellungssusammenmische verhaltnisskundiger and Constanting tan ischerdudelsackpfeifergesellschaftsverhaltnisskundiger and Constanting tan ischerdudelsackpfeifergesellschaftsverhaltnisskundiger.

charles O. Stickney told how sweet corn is put up for the market in the big factories of Maine. Shirley Dare furnished a common sense talk that will interest both men and women. Rev. George Hodge's essay on "Fatal Ignorance" contained abundance of food for reflection. Dr. Jackson discussed the impurities of milk and the adulterations practiced. The life of a racer was the subject of an article by George F. Dobson, which every lover of fast horses should read. Other papers in the second part were by G. H. Wilson, Bessie Bramble, J. T. Hatfield and anonymous authors.

The third part contained two excellent complete stories—"The Woman With Three Roses," by E. D. Beach, and "The Duke and the Witch," by Ernest H. Heinrichs. Other original matter in this part of the paper included the following: "The Sultan of Turkey," by Frank G. Carpenter; "A Soldier's Bride," Elizabeth Bacon Custer: "Select Socialists," M. M. Dilke; "The Third Degree," Benjamin Northrop; "A Day With a Pope," Frederick Sanburn; "Sunday Thoughts," a clergyman; "Apoles and Actors," Bill Nye; "At Nag's Head," W. Cotten Downing: "Gossip," Clara Belle; and "Those Royal Women," Olive Weston. It was a great and excellent number, -A discovery referring to the iron age —A discovery referring to the iron age has been made at Gloppen, on the coast of Norway. A burial chamber, 12 feet in length and formed of stone stabs, has been uncovered, containing the remains of a man. Around the neck of the body was a cloak in a perfect state of preservation which revealed wonderfully rich embroidery of images of animals. In the hands had been placed three interlaced wooden rings, resembling the well-known puzzle rings, an object never before discovered in ancient graves. The discovery has given Norwegian graves archeologists much feed for speculation.

-Tuesday, as Dr. F. S. Chapman and P. A. Lewter, of Orlando, Fla., were driving about two miles east of the town, they noticed a large rattlesnake lying at the mouth of a gopher hole. Mr. Lewter jumped down from the buggy and fired. The snoke from his gun had no more than cleared away when 15 to 20 malls snakes, anywhere from 12 to 20 inches long, came out of the gopher hole and grabbed hold of the old make and dragged her back into the hole. Mr. Lewter caught hold of the snake's tail, but the rattles broke off, letting, her free. He then aimed his gun into the hole and fired both barreis. He then obtained a long stick and commenced poking down into the hole, and succeeded in pulling out 13 dead small snakes, besides the large one he first fired at.

-Mrs. Cheek, daughter of one of the earliest missionaries to Siam, recently re to San Francisco. Speaking of the per to San Francisco. Speaking of the people of Laos, in the northern part of the country, she said: "Wages of common laborers range from \$3 to \$4 per month. It is dangerous to know too much in Laos. Skilled mechanical work is done by men drafted by the Government or by prisoners. These drafted men get very little for their services, and perhaps receive 10 ropees for a year's labor. The form of religion consists principally in worshiping spirits. Laos people believe that different families have different spirits which watch over their safety. Once a year spirit dances are held, but only women participate in them. The dance is kept up all day, and as the women drink heavily their movements toward nightfall are rather 'groggy.' All missionary work in Laos has been done by Presbyterians.

FUNNY MEN'S PANCIES.

the Church Dangerons.

Owing to the great amount of scaffolding in St. Paul's Cathedral, necessitated by the work of cleaning the church, it has been decided that it is too dangerous to light the vast edifice at night, as the woodwork might catch fire. The service of reciting the Rosary in the evening has therefore been discontinued until-the work is completed. The recitation will take place each morning immediately after mass, instead of in the evening.

Nearly every person who went to the church yesterday had his or her peace of mind ruffled by the condition of the pews. The latter were covered with dirt and mortar, and were in a dirty condition. The laddes gathered their dresses closely about them, but could not prevent their garments from being soiled. Sir Edwin's Lightness .- McCorkle-I se that Sir Edwin Arnold says Ireland has no s

McCrackie-Yes; he made "Light of Asia," an First Chapple—Good heavens, Chawles! You are not sending a check to your tailor, are you? Second Chapple—Naw; I'm sending him a note to tell him that I may send him a check next

month. Must bweak it to him gently, dor An lows man has a theory that sunshine can be bottled up or imprisoned in such a way that is can be usilized on gloomy days. He has built agreat tank for storing it. but it looks a little queer to see him groping about with a lantern to see how his sunshine is getting on.—

"Young man," said a minister to a mem-"Young man, said a initiate of his congregation, "do you know what relations you sustain in this world?" "Well, just at present the only relation I am austainings in this world is my father-in-law, but you can just gamble on it I am not going to sustain him very long," was the reply.—Texas Sytings.

The Vein She Was In .- Papa-Which of our suffers do you think you will accept, Mar lones or Smith? Maria—Which would you favor, papa?

Well. Smith has a fine vein of humor. But Jones has a fine vein of anthracite coal upon is farm, paps. I think I'll take him. Sensible girll—Texas Siftings.

coming on? Do they dun you as much as ever? Impacunious Party-O, I am fixed now. I have rented a room up in the attic. It has no stairs at

Friend-How are you and your creditors

How do you get into your room?

With a ladder. When I am out I leave the ladder standing. When I am in the room I pull up the ladder.—Texas Siftings.

HE ENOWS IT WELL. A COLORED man had a lively time of it in williamsport Thursday morning. He attempt will amsport and a morning. He attempt ed to remove some honey from the heart of an elm tree that had just been cut down, when the bees attacked him. They stung him about the face and hands, and even got under his clothes.

Observe the youth as argument Observe the youth as argument
His empty head engages,
Dispose of questions held in doubt
By gray savants and sages;
Some twenty summers may have tinged
His checks with only ruddy;
And yet he seems by means occult
To have obtained the net result
Of centuries of study.

— Patindelphia Pra

THE SAD SEASON. The melancholy days have come!
With grief our bosoms thrill
As we light the gas at 5 o'clock

No more we bear the "sad sea waves"!
As on the store we rows:
"Tis time to pack the window screens
And set the parlor store.

Our future shows no ray of light, But deeper grinf we'll know When we must rise at \$4. M. To shovel off the snow.