THE TOPICAL TALKER.

treet Car Conductors Are Human Beings.

but Some People Forget It-Two Ia-

stances of Tyranny-The Poor Horses

Street car cenductors get long hours, small

an Allegheny car. The car was very crowded, and two melancholy mules had all they cared

squeezed her way toward it. But a fat man standing behind the conductor slid into the

seat before she could reach it. The conductor did not observe that the seat was filled, and

weman much alarm. She implored one of the

Pittsburgers to hold her umbrella while she put away her pocketbook in her satchel. The

satchel was a remarkable affair, with several

patent catches and a padlock, all of which had

AT Jay street the car encountered a block-ade. It was one of those jams of vehicles that

occur on the river front every ten minutes during the busy hours of the day. The nervous

way alone between the carts and trucks to the

The blockade continued, and several minutes

on the curb, flinging her arms about and appa

rently shouting at the conductor. The next

thing she was on her way back to the car, then

on the platform, and finally she seized the con-

ductor by the lapels of his coat and shook him violently, crying excitedly: "Where is my pocketbook? You thief you! Where's my

The conductor seemed paralyzed, but the Pittsburg delegation could not leave him to his

fate. All three made for the platform, and

from the conductor's neck. Then in chorus they reminded the nervous woman that she

had locked up her purse under their very eyes

in the satchel.
"So I didf' admitted the poor nervous creat-

ure, and she bounced off the car again without

a word of apology to the conductor. He didn't

seem to mind this, however, and he laugued as

TURNING from the inhumanity of man to

man to his cruelty to beasts, will Agent O'Brien, of the Society for the Prevention of

Crueity to Animals, allow his eagle eye to rest upon the hack and cab drivers who assemble

on Fifth avenue? Twice recently have I seen

horses shamefully abused at midday on that

crowded thoroughfare, One unfortunate gray horse attached to a Gurney has been having a

hard time of it for weeks, so reliable spectators

have informed me. Now that the police force is being modern-

ized, would it not be well to instruct the patrol-

men to arrest drivers who ill use their charges?

Policemen sometimes need to be reminded

BURDETTE'S LITTLE SPEECH.

The Humorist Gives Some Sound Advice t

From the Philadelphia Ledger.

Sunday School Pupils.

The sixteenth anniversary of the Merion

Square Baptist Sunbay School was celebrated yesterday afternoon. Robert J. Burdette, who

has supplied the pulpit on Sunday evenings for

some time past at the chapel, in an address said: "We are here to-day 16 years old, sweet 16, the sweetest and prettiest of all ages. Some

people of the tender, pretty sex are best at that age, and hold on to it wonderfully long,

but a Sunday school is never at its best at that

age. Only a few years ago, when meeting in

the old place, the school was a baby, and a pre-

the old piace, the school was a baby, and a prococious baby it was. I remember the day a little boy dropped a lump of candy on the floor,
and a dog trying to eat it got its jaws stuck together. Age beautifies, and this school will be
all the handsomer when it is 60 years old, and

still better, stronger and prettier when it cele-brates its one bundredth anniversary, but I

wrought, let us thank God that we can look forward and take courage."

Dr. H. A. Arnold, in a brief address, presented Mr. Burdette with a gold watch and chain on behalf of the school. On the inner case of the watch was inscribed, "Presented to Robert J. Burdette by his Baptist friends of Merion Square, as a token of gratitude and esteem, Oct. 6, 1888." Mr. Burdette responded in a brief speech of thanks.

PITTSBURG POLICE AND PIREMEN.

A Recently Published Volume Gives an In-

teresting History of Both.

650-page octave volume devoted to the history of the Police and Fire Departments of this

city. It is well printed and profusely illustrat-

ed, and contains an interesting account of the origin and growth of two important branches

origin and growth of two important branches of the public service, now included in the Department of Public Safety. The municipal history of Pittsburg is minutely traced from the time that a village was planted about the Point down to the present day.

The work is published by H. Fenno. It was edited and compiled by Henry Mann and Charles T. Dawson—the latter a well-known newspaper man of this city—who appear to have discharged their duties in a thoroughly able and conscientious manner.

Our Grentest Merit.

You are right, Mr. Gladstone. This is a

great country, a glorious country, and a marvel among the peoples of the earth; but if you

wish to make us really happy call us a modest

Mysterious Disappearance

What is the matter with the big guns of the

Wants to Outde Steve Brodle.

It is a pretty long jump from Ohio to the

From the Chicago Tribune. 1

From the Philadelphia Record.:

"Our Police and Firemen" is the title of

that cruelty to

against the law.

he thanked his Pittsburg saviors.

Too.

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#### GAS AND WATER SHORTAGE.

Shortage of gas to keep up the fires in the mills and shortage of water to put the fires out when they get beyond control, formed the two subjects of complaint yesterday.

The latter trouble is the familiar one of insufficient supply at the fire plugs to guard against conflagrations, where the water is furnished by the Monongahela Water Comnany on the Southside. The last time this subject was before the public THE DIS-PATCH pointed out the evident duty of the are furnished with an ample supply of water. It was supposed that provision of this sort was made at the time the subject was last before Councils. The renewal of the complaints should call for a full investigation, and if the water company is not furnishing an adequate supply, the city mains should be exended throughout the Southside.

The shortage of the no less important gas vesterday, and has been complained of for plicated question. If we could be certain all that is wanted should be no less plain. supply is giving out; but against it is the land. fact that every company has invested large if the supply fails. It is quite possible that finest light. The prosecution of the work to scare off opposition with reports of a de- versal sympathy and admiration.

creasing supply. Such talk is certainly untrustworthy when it takes the form of predicting an early return to coal in mills and factories, whether here or in the Ohio gas fields. It is inconceivable that cities which are supplied with mains for the conveyance of gas will go back to coal in preference to the cleaner, more economical and convenient method of burning manufactured gas.

## WATERING THE GUDGEONS.

The figures which are published concerning the capitalization of the American breweries, whose stock has recently been placed upon the English markets, tells the whole \$705,000. Rochester, whose breweries reported a capital of \$1,083,000 in 1880, gets them capitalized in London at \$4,850,000. One concern in Philadelphia is put on the market at \$2,750,000, and all the breweries in that city reported a capital to the census of \$2,000,000. In other words, the English deals really represent the operation of buying anything that will serve for selling stock at the rate of five dollars in shares for every dollar in actual value. As long as the gudgeons have an appetite for this sort of thing it will be no wonder that English promoters keep up a demand for American

SPREES ARE COSTLY INDUIGENCES The circumstances of the assault upon Captain D. P. Slattery in St. Louis on Saturday last are not so mysterious, as they were at first alleged to be. A friend of his has revealed the fact that Captain Slattery was whisky and not a drug which made him an easy prey for the toughs who nearly killed him and stole his diamonds. If he had not made an idiotic use of his money, scattering it in saloons that a respectable man should never have entered, the catas-

trophe would never have occurred. There are several features in Captain Slattery's case which illustrate the disposition of the world to excuse in a rich man the folly and sin it would condemn without mercy in a poor man. He has been held up for the pity and sympathy of all as the victim of infamous conspirators, whereas in reality if anyone's victim he is his own. The poor man who attempted with his small purse to follow Captain Slattery's example stands a good chance not only of getting his head broken, but of winding up the debauch in jail. Instead of sympathy and the law's nesistance he is lucky if he escapes with a fine or a short sojourn in the workhouse. In short, what is at worst a deplorable weakness in the millionaire is a flagrant crime in the fellow without a cent, when society sums up the case. If millionaires want to retain their money, their whole heads and their diamonds they should steer clear of dives and tough company. So should poor men. But men of all conditions ought to understand that they are not entitled to anything but pure justice if they willfully indulge their passions and appetites. Captain Slattery undoubtedly did not deserve the fearful punishment he received, but it is just as well for us to remember that he had sinned seriously against himself and against so-

## REFORM OF JUSTICES' COURTS.

justice system of Chicago was recently read | daily. Alive he is an offense to the eyes it indicate that it contains material for the his presence in the gutter. The last state of study of all cities where the same evils | the canine nuisance suggests an ever pres-

out with the fact that the quality of justice | few of them clean, but there are hundreds secured for the smaller litigants by the just- of miles of paved and unpaved streets in ice court system, is very poor indeed. As the two cities which are deserts in dry the volume of litigation in these tribunals | weather and swamps in winter, and rubbish is three-fourths to five-sixths the total of all depositories always. If we cannot complain suits, the great evil of courts which cannot of goats, indeed, we can of far more exasperbe depended on for impartiality and wisdom ating and dangerous evils about our homes. is plain enough. Whether it is the rule in Chicago as in Pittsburg, for justices and Aldermen to always give judgment for the publican Committee is obliged to buy 20,-

standard is low there as here.

bringing people into court on any pretext, be supplanted by a trained, responsible and organized force. Beyond this it is pointed that the people should feel their responsibility by the selection of the best men to take charge of the minor courts.

The last point is the strongest one, though all are pertinent and valuable. The subject is one that calls for thorough discussion and reform. In the meantime, a very good remedy is to promptly send every justice or for purposes of dishonesty, to the workhouse or penitentiary.

#### THE HEBREW IDEAL.

The intelligence is given in our local columns that a branch of the Hebrew Society for colonization of Palestine has been organized in Pittsburg. This shows that even the modern and Americanized Hebrews are still faithful to the traditional dream of their race for the restoration of the accient kingdom, and its rehabilitation, with all the glories of modern invention and commerce added to it.

There can hardly be any doubt that the wealth and influence of the merchants and financiers of Hebrew blood, scattered throughout the world, would crown a united effort for the restoration of Jerusalem with a brilliant success. The race whose members check European warsor permit them to goon, by tightening or loosening the purse strings, would find it easy to furnish the funds and command the protection of the powers for a project so full of romance and combining so city to see that the people of the Southside | much of the traditions of antiquity with the | Monongahela and shortage of water on the triumphs of the Nineteenth century commerce. There is an irresistible attraction in the thought of reversing the work of ancient conquerors and restoring the distinction of Titus by the power of modern wealth and trade, that would enlist the sympathies of civilization without regard to creed or race.

We do not think it likely that Jerusalem would ever offer such attractions even to its supply, which was experienced at the mills restorers, as to take the majority back there for permanent residence. It might be made two or three days, is a rather more com- a religious capital, like Rome for the Catholics, or Mecca for the Moslems. But that there is the same abundance of gas in | the marts of Europe and America offer too proportion to the needs of the community great attractions for the trading instincts of that there is water, the duty of furnishing the successful Hebrews, cultivated through nineteen centuries of expatriation, for them Some of the comments attributed to the nat- | to accept the monotonous, if honorable and ural gas people convey intimations that the | romantic, retirement of life in their ancient

Still the object is an ideal one, and places sums in new mains, which will be worthless | the Hebraic hopes and purposes in their the unknown gas people are quite willing to a successful issue will command uni-

#### DID BELLAMY LOOK BACKWARD!

"Looking Backward," by Mr. Edward Bellamy, has made more noise than any novel of the year. A young woman calling herself Vera Zarovitch is resolved that it shall achieve, moreover, notoriety of no pleasant sort. She charges Mr. Bellamy with having perpetrated an unheard of and atrocious literary piracy. She says that he has stolen the entire plot of his story, its design, its plan, its purpose, its leading characters, descriptions, etc., from a serial story published by her in the Cincinnati Commercial Gazette in 1880-81, entitled "The Narrative of Vera Zarovitch." To story. The Baltimore Breweries Company is support her charge she quotes a number of capitalized at \$950,000; and the capital of all passages from "Looking Backward," which the breweries in that city by the census is appear to have their counterparts in her story. Before pretending to pass judgment on the charge of plagiarism, wholesale or retail, both books must be read-brief quotations from either will not suffice.

It may be said, however, without prejudice that one of the principal claims for "Looking Backward," namely on the score of novelty, must fall finally before the blast from Cincinnati. Indeed the construction of ideal worlds on paper is by no means new. It is as old as the world itself probably. As to the similarity alleged to exist between these two stories, we can readily understand that it may exist and without the least dishonesty upon Mr. Bellamy's of doom. part. If two men draw upon their imagination for the enlargement of known facts in a certain field it is more than likely that the results will have certain characteristics in common. In this case both authors started from a platform socialistic in tendency, and their imaginative products bore the impress spent Saturday drinking in low saloons. It of this tendency. This naturally set up a very distinct likeness. For the rest of their imaginings they both seem to have undertaken a simple magnifying of the scientific discoveries of to-day. Of course it may be that Mr. Bellamy is a plagiarist, but it has not been shown that he is yet to the satisfaction of anybody, as far as we know, ex-

> Anyhow it is not a great matter. Ten years hence it will take a deal of looking backward to discover either of these visions.

cepting Vera Zarovitch herself.

## POOM FOR BROOMS.

Pittsburg has no Harlem, and her goats are few. The few goats that cling to her suburbs are not aggressive. They support a modest and milky existence upon a scant diet of railroad iron and rubbish after the economical manner of their kind. We cannot therefore sympathize to the full with New York's Harlem in her joy at the impending removal of the goat from her rocky coigns and vacant lots. In Harlem the goat is a very real nuisance. The horns of the lordly Billy interfere with the sleeping patrolman, and the odor of him is a subject upon which the keepers of Harlem boarding houses are very tender. But now it is said that Billy and all his race must vacate the premises. President Wilson, of the New York Board of Health, has declared that the Harlem goats shall go. We do not envy Mr. Wilson's agents in this undertaking, for the owners of Harlem goats are a hardy mountain race, as it were, and their supplies of missiles are as abun-

dant as their stores of bad language. But if Pittsburg has no right to howl for the removal of the gosts, she has many nuisances, dead and alive, that call in loud tones or smells for removal. The tramp dog A very sound and valuable paper on the 1s too numerous, and his tribe increases before an organization for the discussion of and an encouragement to hydrophobia, while social subjects. Newspaper summaries of after his decease, the air is not sweetened by ent abomination, the filthy condition of The essayist, Mr. Charles Arndt, started our streets. An attempt is made to keep a

THE statement that the Philadelphia Re-

plaintiff, in order to secure the fees, is not 000 tax receipts for the benefit of voters of stated, but it seems to be conceded that the its party who do not feel able to pay their taxes is regarded by the Philadelphia tandard is low there as here.

taxes is regarded by the riminatelphia

the first remedy suggested is the abolition | Ledger as putting that number of citizens of the fee system. This is plainly shown to in the attitude of voting in forma pauperis. put a premium on not only the practice re- The showing, enlarged as it might be by inferred to above, but upon the majority of the cluding the figures from other cities and others by which the lower courts can be from the committees of the other party, are used for dishonest profit. Next it is urged not complimentary to the voters; but they that the whole system of constables de- show the political committees as perform pendent for their living on their setivity in ing one useful function in contributing slightly to the public revenues.

> WHETHER Boulanger's trip is to be to be to Africa or Paris is the question which agitates the European correspondents. The chances are that the African trip would be conductor returned from collecting a fare at the forward end of the car a man arose and much the safest for the bold General; but it made his way out. The conductor beckoned to would not make half so much news.

M. EIFFEL, the builder of Paris' tall tower, says the erection of a still higher one constable who prostitutes his legal power for America's World's Fair is but a question of money. It may be; but a good many people will interpose the objection that there is the greater question involved whether the United States can do nothing better than to copy the attractions of the French fair, three years after they have been worn out abroad.

a 1001 of me like that, Let include the stand such impudence; no, sir?

The conductor did not reply. He simply smiled. Civility or common decency are things that a conductor learns not to expect from the

THE juror who refuses to agree to a verdict, in order to get even with another juror who has displeased him, presented a new feature in the jury system yesterday. Evidently reform is necessary, of a sort which will secure a new breed of jurors.

THE fact that the cable of the Fifth avenue traction road, just replaced by a new one, lasted double the allotted life of cables used for such purposes, furnishes an example of remarkable successful wire-pulling. That art is understood to contribute in more ways than one to the profitable operation of cable roads.

SHORTAGE of gas on one side of the Monongaheia and shortage of water on the other afford a tolerably strong argument on put away. But at last it was shut up and the the bad results of giving the exclusive busi- umbrella was reclaimed. ness of supplying articles of universal necessity to single corporations.

THAT Boston man who embarked on his political career by confessing that he has woman grew more nervous, and finally wanted here a combler and a thief certainly forestalls any attempts to blacken his character. His qualifications seem to fit him for a career in Wall street rather than in the later one of the fair Pittsburgers, looking out halls of legislation; but it is understood that the window, saw the nervous woman standing he has reformed.

THE figures on the capitalization of the breweries bought by English capital show that the new brewery proprietors are not going to be so active in the production of beer as in the business of selling water at pocketbook? You stole it-you know you did!" high figures.

THE Eastern papers turn up their nose at Governor Larrabee, of Iowa, for objecting to the United States Railroad Commis sioners' remarks on Iowa legislation as an interference with State affairs; but they kept right as to their objections to the interference of Iowa legislation with railroad

THE specific heat of Ohio politics is most noticeable in the warmth with which both parties are claiming everything in sight and a good deal that is out of sight.

MR. EUGENE HIGGINS, of Baltimore, has been resuscitated long enough to say that he is permanently out of politics, and that the only thing he regrets is that it delights the Mugwumps. This is in the nature of a certificate of good character for the Mugwumps.

Terr Venkoss of Spenish Amer Chilians, declare themselves in unison with the Congress, including its trip, and every thing is lovely once more.

DEMOCRATIC organs are now developing the ability to openly state that "Grover Cleveland is utterly and irrevocably out of politics." That being the case, it remains to be seen whether the Democracy will find a better or worse man to take his place in the leadership.

Most of the Trusts are weakening; but the Standard Oil monopoly tightens its grip and promises to stay with us till the crack

THE final payment of \$1,600,000 to the Johnstown sufferers commenced yesterday, four months after the disaster. It is a goo thing that the people will get the money sent to them by the sympathizing people of the world in time to buy winter clothing.

THE Knights Templar having paraded successfully, it is to be presumed that the triennial conclave is equally successful.

REPORTS of sewer pipe combines and window glass pools come out promptly on time, this month. The September cembinations apparently could not hold good in October, and the public will wait patiently for the new combinations in November.

## PEOPLE OF PROMINENCE.

THE late Wilkle Collins was a victim of the opium habit, and, his friend Edmund Yates says, took more pure laudanum than would have sufficed to kill a ship's crew or a company of soldiers.

D. L. Moody, the great evangelist, in an interview on the prohibion question recently, said: "I believe in prohibition, but not in the hird party. I also believe that there is no use in having a law until there is a public senti nent that will secure an enforcement of it." BRET HARTE, who has a great social as well as literary popularity in England, is now a handsome, ruddy, white-haired man, and owes

his popularity in a measure to his mastery of rn slang; and that eloquence of destitu tion of the proper phrase, his pathetic, uneducated, humoristic slang. MILTON H. SMITH, who gets \$25,000 a year a President of the Louisville and Nashville Rail-road, was once an office boy working for \$8 per week, and afterward a clerk in a freight office.

Then he was made the agent of a country sta-tion and rose rapidly. Strict attention to busi-

ness was the secret of his success. SIR EDWIN ARNOLD is the guest of Presi dent Eliot, of Harvard. One of the college correspondents for a Boston paper went to in-terview him at the President's house. The au-thor came down and put the young and easily rattled reporter into a state of confusion by de manding rather fiercely what he wanted to ask him. The reporter at last owned up that he did not have anything especial to ask him, but just wanted to talk. Sir Edwin smiled affably, said that he bimself was a newspaper man, and that perhaps he could help him out of his difficulty, and then he went on to talk the reporter

metropolis? Has the project for a World's Fair in New York City climbed a tree and pulled OUIDA spends much time at the Langham when she is in London. Not long since a young American girl, Miss W., of New York, called upon her at the hotel with a letter of introducthe tree up after it? From the New York Herald. tion. After waiting some time a strangely dressed figure rushed into the room. Every White House, but Governor Foraker thinks he color of the rainbow appeared in her costume, and her head was decorated with a circlet of many-colored, bright ribbons. This bizarre creature stalked up to our American girl, and in a very brusque manner sald: "Do you want to see me?" "I have a letter of introduction to can make it. Washington, October 8.—Prof. Joseph E. Nourse, United States Navy, died at his home in Georgetown to-day. He was born in this city in 1819. He was professor of eithes and English and later of mathemathics in the United States Naval Academy from 1850 until after the war. He was on duty at the naval observatory in this city for some years preceding 1881, when he was retired. In 1870 he represented the United States at the international Geographical Congress in Paris. you." "You are an American-I know it by your bold stare," was Oulda's polite reply. "And I know you to be a circus rider from your outlandish costume, and so I wish you good morning and decline your acquaintance."

## MRS, DALZELL'S RECEPTION.

The Wife of the Congressman Entertains

Lady Friends. The reception yesterday at the home of Mrs. Congressman John Dalzell, in Hawkins, was one that all ber gueste will reflect upon with pleasure during the coming season, when the charming hostess will be brightening Washwages and lots of abuse. The passengers sup-ply the latter in large quantities, and on any or no provocation. If hard words had a cash

charming nostess will be originening wasn-ington society with her presence.

Mrs. Dalzell was assisted in receiving by her daughter, Miss Dalzell, Mrs. George Gordon and Mrs. Calvert Towaley, the introduction up a fortune on his own account.
Yesterday I observed a nice, middle-aged
Christian lady trample upon the conductor of into Pittsburg circles of the last named ladies being the special feature of the occasion. Mrs. Gordon is the wife of Mr. Dalzell's law

Mrs. Gordon is the wife of Mr. Dalzell's law partner, and a bride of six months' standing. They were married in Brooklyn, and departed on a European trip, from which they have just returned. Mrs. Calvert Townsend is a cousin of Mrs. Dalzell and a bride of a few weeks. She is a Hartford lady, but Pittsburg is to be her future home, as her husband is interested in the Westinghouse Electric Company.

These ladies besides being "to the manor born" and having all the advantages wealth affords are possessed of rare personal attractions that will insure them great popularity among Pittsburg people.

seat before she could reach it. The conductor did not observe that the seat was filled, and continued to invite the lady. She saw what had occurred, but did not stop her advance until she was near enough to the conductor to say to him: "Are you aware there's no seat for me? You've got no sense, young man—making a fool of me like that. Let me tell you, I won't stand such impudence; no, sir?"

The conductor did not reply. He simply similed. Civility or common decency are things that a conductor learns not to expect from the public.

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Not long ago three young ladies of Pittaburg saw another street car conductor abused in a picturesque style, while they were wandering over the face of metropolitan New York. It happened in this way.

The fair tric of Pittsburgers were in a Belt Line car, one of those vehicles which will carry you around the greater part of New York's water front for 5 cents, Next to them sat alady, evidently of city birth, but extremely nervous and out of sympathy with her serroundings. At Castle Garden a dozen immigrants, rough and uncouth-looking creatures, entered the car, and their appearance evidently caused the nervous weman much alarm. She implored one of the Pittsburgers to hold her umbrella while she

In the repast an unique custom was intro-duced of serving on exquisite little trays, and allowing the guests to arrange groups accord-ing to desire in any portion of the house. Be-tween 400 and 500 ladies were present. The floral decorations were by A. M. & J. B. Murdoch. The lunch was served by Kuhn.

#### THE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL. The New Building Taken Possession of Yes-

terday. At a meeting of the Board of Managers of the Children's Hospital a committee on furnishing and supplies were appointed to arrange for the immediate occupany of the hospital building, possession of which was taken yester-day. A committee of 30 lady visitors were chosen to have a general oversight of the interests of the institution. A staff of attending physicians and surgeons was appointed as fol-lows: Dr. F. Le Moyne, Dr. William E. Hal-lock, Dr. T. M. T. McKennan and Dr. D. A. Hengst.
It is expected the hospital will be thrown

open in a very few days for the reception of patients. The Board of Managers consists of Hon. M. W. Acheson, President; Messrs. James H. Reed, George W. Guthrie, D. G. Stewart, R. N. Clark, Mrs. George M. Laughlin, Mrs. S. S. Marvin, Mrs. W. J. Holland, Mrs. E. W. Ferguson and Miss Mary E. Dawson.

# A GLENSHAW WEDDING.

Mr. Edward Shaw and Miss Belle Miller United in Marriage.

An interesting wedding was that which or curred yesterday evening at the residence of Mr. John Miller, near Glenshaw. Mr. Edward Shaw, of the well-known family of that name, became the husband of Miss Belle Miller, a most estimable young lady. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Joseph B. Turner, of the performed by Rev. Joseph B. Turner, of the Glenshaw Presbyterian Church, in the presence of a number of intimate friends. Afterward a supper served by Geottman, of Allegheny, received attention.

Mr. and Mrs. Shaw were the recipients of many valuable present from their numerous friends, and as they left for a short trip to Cleveland and the lake cities they were reminded that they bore with them the best wishes of all who knew them.

Wallace street, after October 14.

THE marriage of Miss Mary Thomas to Mr. John Redfern, occurred last evening at the Welsh Presbyterian Church, Second avenue Rev. T. Davis performed the ceremony. The bride is a niece of Mr. Joseph D. Jones, of the Fourteenth ward. The groom is a printer. The young couple have the best wishes of all their friends and acquaintances.

CARDS are out for the wedding of Miss Ida Inge, a talented young belle of Rochester, to Mr. A. W. Carey, contracting agent of the Missouri Pacific Railroad in this city. The ceremony will take place Wednesday morning nue Baptist Church, this city. Mr. Carey i one of the most popular young railroad men of Pittsburg and has the hearty congratulation

of the members of that vocation. The Allegheny Cantata Association gave a very pleasing concert last evening at the West Penn Hospital, for the entertainment of the nationts. The association is composed of 25 persons, all colored, and some excellent music in the way of solos and choruses was given Among those taking part were Miss Ella How brates its one hundredth anniversary, but I don't think I will come over on that occasion. The school is full of opportunities, and the 'children grasp them quicker than old people. Take, for instance, the old woman to whom a man, working on a building on Broadway, had given a 16-foot plank to carry home. She carried it, to the consternation of all passers by. A newsboy told her to break the plank into kindling wood, and showed her how it could be done by using the trucks and the coaches. He placed it on the curb, and the vehicles ran over it, breaking it into small pieces. Make use of overyone to advance the interests of the school. Looking back on our school history, and seeing what God hath wrought, let us thank God that we can look forward and take courage." ard, Miss Gross, Miss Stevenson, Miss Kate Kelly, Miss Effie Sparkman, Miss Lee, Miss Jane Thomas, Miss Pulpress, Miss Wilkinson, and Messrs. Charles Mahoney, L. Hamilton, David Sawyers, Calvin Simpson, Neal Walters and Mr. Taylor.

Carl Retter gave a banquet to the choir o the Eighth Street Synagogue last night at the Hotel Duquesne. It was a most event in local musical circles and the following named ladies and gentlemen enjoyed the admirable menu to the full: Misses Agnes and Sara Vogel, Miss Rosa Stadfeldt, Mrs. E. Fox, and Messrs. H. B. Brockett, Sam Amberson, James Vogel, A. Hanssold and the host, Mr. Retter explained that it was customary to banquet the choir every year immediately fol-lowing the feast of Yom Kipper, an event which always calls for elaborate musical preparation

## HINTS TO BUSYBODIES.

and give you a ride.

der that you can get on royalty and wind. Don't advocate a Board of Trade unless you are willing to furnish some of the nails for it. Don't bake your furniture and fry your cellar walls in trying to get even with the gas companies.

Don'T ask a political candidate to give you a ride on his breath. Throw him into the sewe and pursue the even tenor of your way. Don't sing in the muzzle of a gun if you ca help it; but if you must do so, let the selection be "White Wings" or "Sweet Violeta."—Oil

I have seen the great streams quiver, To behold in dreams on a scene more blest, On the broad, blue Shannon river. have seen the broad St. Lawrence frown And the Hudson, soft and tender

There I went to school, where proud rule Micky Lynn, the master clever, And the scepter swayed from rude old stool Near the banks of the Shannon river. I have been to-day my eyes to lay

At the chapel gray I long did pray

ASTROLOGY AND OMENS.

Some Curious Bellefs Gathered From a Remarkable Seventeenth Century Book-Planets and Comets as Reliable Forecasts-Birds as Prophets.

The ancients, having fully satisfied them-selves as to the different planets that affected the individuality of infants, it was an easy and natural step to establish a basis whereby they could forestell in general terms what manner of person the child would grow up into, basing their forecasts on the relative position of planets and stars at the time of, or immediately about these matters. The ancients saw that Saturn by reason of its extreme cold, and Mars, owabout these matters. The ancients saw that Saturn by reason of its extreme cold, and Mars, owing to great dryness, were very malignant; that Jupiter and Venus, being temperate, were very favorable in their influences, and the sun more so. Mercury, being of an indifferent nature, had more varying influences. The influences of the moon were still more diversified. When at its full it promised good fortune; but when it was horned the ancients looked upon it as so malignant that a child born at such a time had very little hope of living. So convinced were they on this point that they were apt to regard care bestowed on an infant born while the moon was horned as so much time and trouble wasted. It is needless to add that a practical adoption of this theory greatly increased the mortality of the unfortunate little creatures, and served to still further convince the theorists of the malignant influence of a horned moon.

Various peculiar customs arose out of this belief. Something had to be done to propitiate the evil genius who presided over the moon when horned, and turning some article of clothing was the propitiation at one time favored. A relic of this custom survived at the time "Unheard-of Curiosities" was written (1650) when "good-intentioned folk thought to avert ill from those unhappy infants born at the time by turning over the money in their pockets." It may be added that even now in many parts of the world young people "turn their money," if they have any, on the first appearance of a new moon. There are many other local customs relating to the moon which may be said to have their origin in astrological superstitions.

The Influence of the Moon.

But to return to the ancient idea about the direful influence of a horned moon on an infant. It was possible, said the old astrologers, for such a child to live, but it was wicked to pray for its life, for it would grow up with such a "black temper" that it would be a curse not only to itself, but to all who knew it. Hence, wise women among the Hebrews wrote or caused to be written on the walls of their chambers or nurseries, "Let not Lillth enter here," and this was always done when a birth was expected. The word "lillth" was derived from "lallah," meaning "night," or "moon." Mr. Gafferel ascribes to this precau-"moon." Mr. Gafferel ascribes to this precau-tionary custom "the strange conceits of super-stitious Jews that came long after" concerning a demon they called Lileth, and which they be-lieved dwelt in the moon atcertain stages. Still later, Greeks and Romans called this mystic being "Lacina," or the goddess of births. The ancients stood in great dread of Saturn "because they did discern that those that were born under the dominion of this star were mel-ancholy and sickly." Hence, also the Chaldeans, who gave thomselves over to the worship of so

ancholy and sickly." Hence, also the Chaldeans, who gave themselves over to the worship of so many false gods, decided that it was necessary to offer up some sacrifice to Saturn to make it more propitious and favorable to them and their children. Many sacrifices were suggested, but children often furnished the victims, and these were offered up in the interests of unborn infants to this planet, which was called moloc, or meleck, signifying "a king," because of its untiring zeal in its tyranny over men, upon whom it visited disaster after disaster and disease after disease. It also got to be called "Baal," from similar reasons, the meaning of that word being "master," or "lord." These human sacrifices are believed to be the foundation for the fable that Saturn ate his own children.

Ancient Wedding Rings There were also some heavenly bodies which were supposed to cast an exceptionably favor-able influence over children. According to Abarbanel, Sol was the chief omen for good, and hence, when God granted Hezekiah's prayer and gave him another lease of life, he made use of the sun for the perfecting of the sign that the miracle would be wrought. Next

after the sun Venus was regarded as the most propitious, and hence that goddess was most worshiped after the sun and moon. The next favorable was Jupiter, called also Gad and Mazal Tob. The wedding rings of the ancients mostly had the words "Mazal Tob" engraved on them. ds meant "good star" and in THE wedding of Miss Emma F. Davis and Mr. T. Frank Butcher, of Philadelphia, took place at the home of the bride's parents, No. 10 Sampson street, Allegheny, last evening. They will be at home to their friends at No. 182

very fully dealt with, and its progress carefully noted. The first authentic case recorded bears reference to an exceptionally brilliant comet which was seen in the time of Augustus. The which was seen in the time of Augustus. The divines were called upon for an explanation, and replied that a child would shortly be born whose greatness would eclipse even that of Augustus. History is quoted to show that the prophecy was fulfilled. A comet figured like a column was held to denote the constancy of some prince, people or nation, but when it was round and bright, without any appearance of "duskiness," it signified the birth of a great prince. Thus Mithridates was born within 70 days of the appearance of so huge a comet that it occupied a fourth of the heavens and totally eclipsed the sun.

Comets as Omens of Evil. A comet in the form of a pyramid was held to portend heavy losses by fire or much suffer-ing from the tyrannical practices of princes. If it was largely waved or with the appe of water, it indicated floods and sedition, or a vision of great waters and many people. The general history of the times showed that, after serious inundations, the people were disc tented and more ready to countenance in rections. Frequently comets resembled the figure of a horn, the hieroglyphic of great power, and such phenomena were held to "foreshew" the great strength and unlimited power of a monarch or general. When Xerxes invaded Greece with 1,000,000 of men the oracle encousaged him by referring to a comet of unprecedented beauty which appeared just-as his manusoth preparations were completed. When a comet was so shaped as to have the feature of a drawn sword terribis desolution by When a comet was so shaped as to have the figure of a drawn sword, terrible desolation by the sword was predicted. Such a one, says the author of "Unbeard-of-Curiosities," appeared over the "City of Hierusalem for a whole year together and did foretell the death of 1,100,000 Jows, as Josephus tells, in great part by the sword. In 1527 there was a comet of this kind which was visible for many days, appearing all the time to be surrounded by representations of pikes and halberts, and heads without bodies, so much so that the spectacle was quite horripikes and halberts, and heads without bodies, so much so that the spectacle was quite horrible. The wise men were unanimous in connecting the vision with the "troublous times which those well versed in history know did follow." A comet resembling a trumpet foretold war, but by a singular process of reasoning, if it looked like a dart, an arrow, or a javelin, it was held to denounce war, and to warn the warrior who saw it to disband his army and postnone his expedition.

Keen Sighted Birds.

ense of the import of celestial signs than

human beings, and Mr. Gafferel explains how

tribe have maintained their reputaion on this point. Thus, when the raven, screech owl, or horn owl came croaking round the window of a sick chamber 2000 years ago the patient knew and the sick chamber 2000 years.

that his end was near, for the bird had surely read the signs of the heaven aright; and so accurate were these forecasts that "no one in his senses doubteth them now" (that is, in

1650).

These birds, it is explained, delight in dark and secluded places, and are naturally selected when bearers of ill tidings are wanted. Again the raven always croaked when rain was about to fall, and all birds were good weather protein.

to fall, and all bitts were good sometimes by their flight, at others by song or cry, and at others by forsaking old haunts. "I much regret." says Mr. Gafferel, "that men are not as sensible in this matter as the birds. Methinks they were once, before they basely aptitude.

Understands Her Trade.

From the Boston Herald.]

A Philadelphia woman is a boss plumber, and she appears to have mastered the tricks of the

From the Suffalo Courier.:

An evening paper, whose chief heast is its
Democracy, yesterday hung out this startling
bulletin: "Governor Hill makes a speech,

Good News if True.

A Big Inducement

of one of her bills for excessive charges.

The city is now resisting the payment

Birds of the air were credited with a k

postpone his expedit

Don'r ask the landlady to hitch up the butter Don'T throw any oil leases over your should very easily the flying members of the feathered

Don't lean on an editor's shoulders when he's at work. Distribute your weight more generally by straddling his neck.

ON THE SHANNON RIVER. Faces and places are soon forgot In the pride of our life's endeavor; But the home of the child, be it palace or cot, Lives on his mind forever.

This is why, to me, in the broad, far West, But the queen of streams, with the

Was the broad, blue Shannon river. As along its banks I laughed and roved, And thought no hand could sever My heart from the hearts of those I loved On the banks of the Shannon river.

From the Cincinnati Times-Star. ] The saloon as a political power in the State of Ohio has had its day. On the cot I'll remember ever, It is standing still on the old roadway From the Philadelphia Times. I Canada ought to come in it only to learn how GRAPHIC GOTHAM GOSSIP.

A Muscular and Determined Woman.

[NEW YORK BUREAU SPECIALS.] NEW YORK BURRAU SPECIALS.]

NEW YORK, October 8.—Mrs. Mary Richards of Jersey City, a 200-pound German woman of 7 years, soundly thrashed two policemen and deputy sheriff who tried to dispossess her to day. She met them with a Colt's navy revolves at the door, and sent two shots whizzing closby their ears. The third cap missed fire, as before Mrs. Richards could shut the door the officers were upon her. She dropped the revolver and led off with a left-hander that knocked the deputy sheriff clean off his feel She sent one policeman to the floor with a blow on the face and bowled the other up and dow the corridor in a catch-as-catch-can wrestling on the face and bowled the other up and down the corridor in a catch-as-catch-can wrestling bout. She retreated to her back yard, eventually, with the deputy sheriff after her. After a short rough-and-tumble fight she picked him up in her arms and dropped him over the fence into a neighbor's yard. This feat cost her her liberty, for white she was doing it the two policemen crept up behind her, grabbed her wrists, and in a minute had handcuffs on her. Then the three difference but triumphish off.

Either Suicide or Accident.

Louis Latz, of Lutz & Movius, a wealthy importing firm, was killed this morning by a fall from a fourth-story window in his residence, just south of Central Park. Mr. Lutz had been suffering from melancholia and nervous exhaustion for many months. Last evening he returned home from business very tired. He retired early. He and his wife occupied adjoining apartments. He was accustomed to sleep late in the morning and no one was allowed to go near his room till he summoned the maid for coffee and rolls. This morning he did not ring, and Mrs. Lutz decided not to wake him for breakfast. Accordingly she and her children ate breakfast alone. While they were eating breakfast, which was served in a small dining room on the first floor back of the parior, the body of a man fell past the window parior, the body of a man fell past the wi and struck the glass shattering it in a tho pieces. Mrs. Lutz rushed to the window saw the lifeless body or her hasband lyin saw the lifeless body of her hasband lying on the pavement in the area below. Mrs. Luts believes that her husband attempted to look at a thermometer which hangs outside of his bedroom window, and losing his balance, fell headlong to the area. The police think, from the testimony of a person who saw Mr. Lutz's fall, that it was a case of suicide. Mr. Lutz's domestic relations were pleasant, and his busi-ness was prosperous. He was one of the most prominent German business men and club men in the city.

Fire in a Lunatic Asylum.

The 1,700 lunatics in Ward's Island Insane Asylum were roused up this morning about 2 o'clock by a fire in the stables just behind the asylum. The asylum fire brigade, with 12 city firemen who were hurried over to the island in a small boat, extinguished the fiames and saved all but about \$4,000 worth of the asylum property. The wards throughout the asylum were manned by a special carps of attendants to quell any disorder or undue excitement. There was very little, however. The lunatics looked quietly on. At a fire five years ago that destroyed a wing of the asylum, the patients worked harder and more enthusiastically than anyone else. The Commissioners of Charities are trying to find out how the fire originated. Fire in a Lunatic Asylum.

A Thrilling Ocean Experience. Captain Neate, of the New British steams Unionist, which arrived to-day from Liverpo and his crew of 28 men have just been thron and his crew of 28 men have just been tarough a most thrilling adventure. September 28, while the vessel was running at full speed, an explosion occasioned by spontaneous combustion, occurred in the coal bankers. The vessel's whole supply of coal was set on fire. Two men in trying to put the fire out were suffocated, and-did not regain consciousness for 24 hours. On the fourth day of the fire there was an explosion, the coal gas blew the hatches 50 explosion, the coal gas blew the hatches 50 feet into the air, and a sheet of flame 12 feet by 4 shot up to the top of the masts. On Octo-ber 5, the fire was extinguished. The vessel was not seriously damaged.

The Court of Appeals to-day confirmed the conviction of John Greenwall, who murdered Lyman 8. Weeks in Brooklyn, March 15, 1887. Greenwall has been convicted twice. The verdict of the jury in the first trial was set aside by the Court of Last Resort on technical grounds and a new trial was ordered which resulted in the conviction, now sustained Court of Appeals. He will be re-senter

A Suit Against a Daughter. The trial of James Daniels' suit against his laughter Mary to recover \$4,000 was begun in a Brooklyn court this morning. When old Mr. Daniels gave up his bookbinding business in Daniels gave up his bookbinding business in New York several years ago he placed \$4,000 in his daughter's name. Recently, however, Mr. Daniels' son, a harum scarum chap who has passed several years in an insane asylum, per-uaded the old man that his daughter was trying to poison him, so that she could get hold of the money. Mr. Daniels immediately brought

## WOMEN IN CONGRESS.

the suit now in progress.

They Assemble in Denver, and Are Discus ing Everything in Sight. congress for the advancement of women con-vened to-day. After a secret meeting early this

vened to-day. After a secret meeting early this morning, the regular session began at 10:30. The order of business was reading reports by Vice Presidents of the various State organizations, and other routine business. This was followed by the opening address of the President, Mrs. Julis Ward Howe.

Papers were read by Mrs. Louisa Linton, of Minnesota, on "Women's Science," and Mrs. Helen S. Spudd, of Illinois, on "Women's Affairs." Other papers will be read at to-night's session, and after adjournment a reception will be tendered the delegates by Mrs. Governor Cooper. There are about 50 delegates present, representing almost every section in the United States.

Providing for the Future. From the Chicago Tribune.1 Don't blame John Bull for trying to extend ions. He may need all his real estate some time to accommodate the royal

TRI-STATE TRIFLES.

A FEW nights ago a North Wheeling phys cian was rudely awakened from his early morning slumbers by the terrific ringing of his door-bell and a woman's screams of pain. The man of medicine dressed with all haste and admitted the woman, who stated between her groans that something was the matter with her ear. The physician got out his instruments, and, upon making an examination, found an immense fat bed bug gnawing at the tympanum. A pair of tweezers soon removed the vermin and the ear resumed its normal

ROBERT FRIEND, a farmer, living on th ROBERT FRIEND, a farmer, living on the Union canal, near Meyerstown, Pa., was attacked on Saturday by a wildcat and nearly lost his life in the encounter. He was on his way home from the field, when, passing under a tree which projected over the road, he spied a big wildcat seated on one of the lower houghs, Before he could get out of the way the animal dropped on him, uttering as it sprang forward a succession of dreadful yells. The beast weighed perhaps 40 pounds, and bit and scratched the farmer fearfully, tearing his cout and shirt literally into shreds. At length and scratched the tarmer tearfully, tearing his coat and shirt literally into shreds. At length, though nearly exhausted, Mr. Friend seized a clublying at hand, and succeeded with it in driving the furious beast from him. He then escaped to his home, where his injuries were treated. It is thought he will recover.

Tux death of John Roberts, of Washington borough, Laucaster county, was caused by a

DURING the summer a West Chester fisher-man caught 480 fish, and he hopes to make the number 600 before the season's end. FINDING no milk in the spring-house a thief

in Frederick township, Montgomery went to the barn and milked the cow. Duning the last 12 months Joseph Sepp, a Reading newsboy, with one arm, has traveled 1,200 miles without paying a cent for railroad

CURIOUS CUNDENSATIONS.

-A petrified alligator was recently found on the beach at Cutier, Ma.

—A Chinaman arrested for fighting regis-tered as Cabbage Cow at a San Francisco police station.

-A pretty girl in Springfield, Mass., re-ceived a letter 44 pages language Manday, St. raived a letter 44 pages long last Monday. She mays it was written by a girl friend.

-Somebody has taken the trouble to com-ute that the average consumption of salt per oute that the average consumption of sal -A dog at Greenwood Lake, Ga., is 21

years old, and has killed in his life over @ rattlesnakes. He has been bitten by them four times, and still lives. -A woman living near the line of Jefferson and Walker counties, Ga., is 7 feet 2 inches high, 25 years old, weighs 180 pounds, and can whip any man in the neighborhood.

David Williams, a roller in an Ansonia, Coun. mill has succeeded in making a ribbon 70% inches long, three-quarters of an inch wide and five ten-thousandths of an inch thick from an 1800 cent.

—John Hopkins, 101 years old, four times a widower, and the father of ten children, has just made the journey from Richland Center, Wis., to Mishawaka, Ind., to take a home with one of his married daughters. -Down in little Cape May county, N. J.,

there is a County Clerk who has been co-outly in office since 1840, and who, previo-that time, was the deputy County Clerk, mencing the latter duties when about 23 of age. His name is Jonathan Hand, of a and historic New Jersey family. and historic New Jersey family.

South Sloux Falls is believed to be the

only blace in South Dakota where the deeds for lots expressly stipulate that saloons shall never be built thereon nor liquor be kept for a beverage. Violation of this stipulation causes the property to revert to the proprietors.

-A large American eagle flew on the ship William Starbuck on September 10 in the Sulp William Starbuck on September 10 in the Guif Stream, and was picked up in an exhausted condition. The hird had a glass eye, with the undecipherable initial of the supposed owner's name in it. The bird's craw was entirely empty, and it is supposed to have been carried to see by the force of the wind, and was unable to reach the shore.

-Christopher C. Andel is the father of the smallest mite of humanity in New Haven, and, in all probability, in Connecticut. His only child is a baby boy that is 17 days old, and weights 2 pounds and 5 ounces. The boy is about il inches long, but very thin. His arm is about twice as thick as the stem of a day pipe, and his fingers are so slender that it is difficult to institute a comparison.

—Three years ago a small fig tree was placed in the open space which was made by taking up a brick in a court in the rear of B. Jenkins' office at Maryaville, Cal. From the day the tree was planted until the present not a bit of sunlight has reached it, and is now stands at a height of over 20 feet, and has a very heavy crop of figs upon it. A number of people who have tested the fruit prengunce it very fine.

-A remarkable feat has just been ed —A remarkable feat has just been completed by Julius G. Eilinger, a cooper of Allegan, Mich., making 10,000 barrels in 60 weeks, working eight hours per day, which beats all records of barrelmaking in the United States. Every stave, head, hoop and nail must be handled separately, and some staves from one to three times. In making 10,000 barrels it takes 170,000 staves, 55,000 pieces of heading, 60,000 hoops and 180,000 nails. It would require 10 box cars to carry the timber and 50 to carry the finished barrels.

-The girl with the iron jaw, is what the friends of Miss Lillan Toban, of New York City, have named this remarkable girl of 17, She has for a long time been the envy of her

owners of it desire. At a public auction homestead in Danielsonville the other David A. Dean bought the barn on the pla 45 cents, some sheds were sold for 50 cents another outbuilding for 31. The latter pic another outbuilding for \$1. The latter piece of real estate was something rather choice. Landlord Salisbury bought 20 bushels of fine winter apples for \$5, and everybody said he was an "extravagant man." When the auctioneer tackled the house there was not one hid for it, and he said sadly: "I did hope ter ceta dollar's seventy-five cents fur it; but, gentlemen, hey yer own way, hey yer own way. "The latest project by which it is hoped it may be disposed of is to have a \$5 raille for it at \$26 cents a ticket, and the lucky man has got to treat the crowd on Danielsonville small beer.

Danielsouville small beer.

—The machinery of the Scottford Manufacturing Company at Kenosha, Wis, has been acting very queerly for the last few nights. On the lat of this mouth the watchman said that when he was downstairs the machinery upstairs started running and when he went upstairs immediately stopped and the machinery downstairs commenced to run. Upon coming down again he saw something white at the other end of the room which vanished when he threw the rays of his dark lautern upon it. In the morning the watchman told Mr. Scottford what had happened and the next evening Mr. Scottford stayed with the watchman. About 12 o'clock the machinery commenced as on the previous night on the second door, and when they both went upstairs it again stopped and commenced downstairs. They then went downstairs and it commenced above as hefore. Mr. Scottford fired with a revolver through the commenced downstairs. They then went downstairs and it commenced above as before. Mr.
Scottford fired with a revolver through the
floor, but it had no effect. Saturday night six
watchmen were hired, but when the machinery
started they all fied. About three months ago
a young man named James Costollo was killed
by his clottes being caught on a set-screw on a
rapidity revolving shaft in these werks, and believers in spirits do not hesitate to hold the departed spirit of the young man responsible for
the phenomenal action of the machinery.

# FIVE MINUTES OF FUN.

Annie-Oh, Charlie, I found out something to-day that I promised never, never to tell! (Charlie (settling back)-Well, I'm ready,-Life. First Can of Milk-Why, what's the

and Can of Milk-I think I have the dropsy "You seem at home here," remarked a man at the postoffice to the postmaster.

"Yes," replied the latter, "this is my stamping ground."—Epoch.

Cause and Effect .- Jones-What, Smith rich man, you say? Why, he didn't have a ollar a year ago. Brown—I know that, Jones, but he's failed thr

AN IMPENDING CRISIS. The turkeys now forsake their glee, And breathe a long-drawn sigh,
They scan the calendar and see
Thanksgiving drawing nigh.
—Chicage

Capital Health .- Squeers -- How are you old fellow?

Nickethy—Oh. Pm enjoying capital health.
Squeers—Why, I understood that you had
ecovered from an attack of maiaria which
contracted in Washington. ontracted in Washington.
Nickelby-Well, isn't malaris capital health?-

New York Sum. He Would Break It Small .- Cums

He Would Break It Scaall.—Cumso—is it true that Garley's wife has sloped?

Fangle—Yes; it's true.

"Does Garley know about it?"

"Not yet. We haven't decided who shall break the news to him."

"Let Briggs do it. He's the very man. He stutters, you know."—New York Swn.

Miss Sere—I suppose you have heard that Mr. Short is paying his attentions to me?

Miss Fresh—Yes, I heard of it.

Miss S.—He has proposed.

Miss F.—Indeed?

Miss S.—Yes. Now I wonder if it is my money he is after?

e is after? Miss F. - What else can it be? - Boston Courier. Evidence to the contrary.—Yellowiy-

anbig intelligence Brownly-I did. Y.-Then I think you are mistaken in your or